

WHEN YOU'RE ASKED TO DO THE IMPOSSIBLE UNSHAKABLE! - Part 4

Daniel 2:10-11 (Mes) “Nobody can do what you ask!...What you're asking is impossible...”

Daniel 2:1-13 “In the second year of King Nebuchadnezzar’s reign, he had a recurring dream that frightened him so badly he couldn’t sleep. So he called in all of his magicians and psychics and fortune tellers and astrologers, and demanded that they tell him what he had dreamed. The king said, ‘I keep having this dream that troubles me. Tell me what I dreamed, then tell me what it means.’ The astrologers answered, ‘Okay, tell us your dream, and we’ll tell you what it means!’ But the king said, ‘No way! If you can’t tell me what I dreamed, why should I trust your interpretation? If you can’t tell me what I dreamed you’re just a bunch of fakes with no real power or wisdom!’ Then all of the king’s fortune tellers said, ‘Nobody anywhere can do what you ask! And no king in history has ever demanded anything like this from any magician, medium, or astrologer. What you’re asking us to do is impossible!’ That made Nebuchadnezzar furious and he said ‘I’m dead serious! If you can’t tell me what my dream was, I’m going to have you so-called ‘wise men’ tortured and executed, and then I’ll have all your houses demolished into rubble! The advisors begged, ‘Just tell us your dream! Then we’ll interpret it!’ But the king said ‘No. You are all condemned as worthless’ and he issued a decree to execute all of his royal advisors, including Daniel and his three friends.”

WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT PREDICTING THE FUTURE

1. No one _____.

Ecclesiastes 8:7 (CEV) “No one can tell the future!”

Ecclesiastes 10:14 “Fools claim to know the future and love to tell anybody who listens. But no one knows what’s going to happen”.

2. All psychics and mediums _____.

Isaiah 44:25 God: "I make fools of psychics and fortunetellers and I frustrate the predictions of astrologers... their 'wisdom' is foolishness."

Leviticus 19:31 "Do not rely on mediums and psychics, for you will be defiled by them. I, the Lord, am your God."

Leviticus 20:6 (NCV) God: "I am against anyone who goes to mediums or fortune-tellers for advice, because that person is being unfaithful to me. So I will cut him off."

3. The test of a true prophet is _____.

Deuteronomy 18:21-22 "If you want to know if a prophet's message is really from God, here's how to test him: If any part doesn't come true, that prophecy is false and not from God. He was presumptuously speaking his own ideas and you should pay him no attention, nor fear him."

Isaiah 8:20 "'Check their predictions against my Word,' says the Lord. 'If their predictions are different from my Word, it is because there is no light or truth in them.'"

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU'RE ASKED TO DO THE IMPOSSIBLE

1. _____.

Daniel 2:14 (NLT) "When Arioch, the commander of the king's guard, came to kill them, Daniel handled the situation with wisdom and discretion."

2. _____.

Daniel 2:15 "Daniel asked the king's captain, 'Why has the king issued such a harsh decree?' So Arioch told him all that had happened."

Proverbs 23:23 (LB) "Get the facts at any price."

3. _____.

Daniel 2:16 “Daniel went at once to see the king and requested more time so he could interpret the meaning of the dream for the king.”

4. _____.

Daniel 2:17-18 “Then Daniel went home and told his 3 friends Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah what had happened. Then he said, “**PRAY** that the God who rules from heaven will be merciful and explain this mystery, so that we and the other advisors won't be put to death.”

5. _____.

Jeremiah 33:3 (Mes) God: “Call to me and I'll answer you, and I'll show you marvelous and wondrous things that you could never figure out on your own!”

James 1:5-7 “If you need wisdom, ask God, and he will gladly give it to you. He won't resent you asking. But when you ask him, be sure that you expect him to answer, for a doubtful mind is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is tossed by the wind. People like that should not expect to receive anything from the Lord.”

6. _____!

Daniel 2:19 “During the night God revealed and explained the mystery of the dream to Daniel in a vision. Then Daniel praised the God of heaven.”

Daniel 2:19b-20 (CEV) “Then Daniel praised God saying, ‘Our God, your name will be praised forever and forever! You are all-powerful, and you know everything!’”

Daniel 2:21-23a (CEV) “YOU control human events. YOU give rulers their power and YOU take it away. YOU are the source of wisdom and knowledge. YOU explain deep mysteries, because even the dark is light to you! YOU are the **God** worshiped by my ancestors.”

Daniel 2:23 (NLT) “Now I thank and praise you, God of my ancestors, for you have given me wisdom and strength. You have told me what I asked for and revealed to me what the king demanded.”

7. _____.

Daniel 2:24 “Then Daniel rushed to see Arioch, who’d been ordered to execute all the king’s advisors. He said ‘Call off the execution, and take me to the king and I’ll explain the meaning of his dream.’”

Daniel 2:25-26 “Then Arioch rushed Daniel to the king and he said, ‘I have found one of the captives from Judah, who can tell you your dream and the meaning of it.’ The King asked Daniel, ‘Is it true? Can you tell me my dream and also what it means?’”

8. _____.

Daniel 2:27-30 Daniel replied, “No wise man or psychic or fortune teller or astrologer can explain the mystery of your dream. **BUT there is a God in heaven** who reveals mysteries and he has chosen to show you what will happen in the future...And now, God has revealed this mystery to me, not because I’m smarter than everyone else, but for your benefit, so that you O king, may understand it.”

Daniel 2:46-47 “Then King Nebuchadnezzar bowed to the ground before Daniel and worshiped him and he commanded his people to offer sacrifices and burn sweet incense before him. Then the king said to Daniel, ‘Truly your God is the God of gods, the Lord over kings. He is a revealer of mysteries. For you have been able to reveal this secret.’”

Daniel 2:48-49 “Then the king promoted Daniel to a high position and gave him many valuable gifts. He made Daniel ruler over the whole province of Babylon...”