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Daniel 9:24-27

Thy Kingdom Come: Faithful 'til the End

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The last four verses of Daniel 9 are considered some of the hardest verses, but most important, in the whole Old Testament. The way Daniel was given a promise of a future restoration shows us that God cares and has a plan for His final power and glory to prevail over the evil in this world.

THIS WEEK:

- Write down ten promises of God and carry them with me, choosing to trust that God always keeps his promises.
- Draw close to God through prayer 2–3 times a day, knowing that I am accepted because Christ was forsaken for me.
- Read Daniel 9 through 12.
- ☐ Do three acts of kindness for others to cultivate a heart of selflessness and build my joy in serving as a part of God's Kingdom.

DISCUSSION

Read Daniel 9:24-25

Believe it! God kept His promises in the past and He will in the future.

- Look up and listen to the song "Yes and Amen" (https://m.youtube.com/ watch?v+ITQnbOihe3Y). What does this song say about God's promises and His faithfulness?
- Look at your own life; how has God been faithful to you in the past. How big can you make this list?
- Make a list of promises that God has made and kept in scripture. Make a list of promises that God has made and kept for you! Review it daily!
- · If God has been faithful in the past, can we trust Him with our future? Why don't you?
- How did Pastor Josh differentiate between justification and grace?

Read Daniel 9:26

Rely on it! Christ was forsaken so we never have to be.

- What does it mean to be forsaken? Have you ever felt forsaken? Were you ever really forsaken? Will God ever forsake one of His own? Who in scripture may have felt forsaken but in the end God's sovereignty proved true? Do you feel that same way?
- Read John 19:30. Many read this verse as a cry of defeat. Instead, it is really a shout of victory! How is it a shout of victory?
- How does the crucifixion, death, and resurrection show that we, as Christ followers, will never be forsaken?

Read Daniel 9:27

Wait for it! Christ made a new promise that gives us an eternal hope.

- How are both God's hindsight 20/20 and God's foresight 20/20?
- What is our eternal hope based on?
- God promises an eternal hope. Does He, anywhere, promise that getting to that eternal hope will be easy? Read James 1:3–4 and 1 Peter 4:12–13. What do these verses tell us about our time on earth and our eternal hope? Have you lived these verses out, in anyway, in your life already? What has God taught you?

Apply: What are two things you can take away from this message and apply to your life this week? Share these with someone. Ask them to hold you accountable.

Prepare: Read Daniel 10:1–21 to prepare for next week.