

SERMON REFLECTIONS

Unknown Future, Known God

Daniel 8 | 9 March 2025 | Rev Dr Aaron Tay

Reflection Questions

1. Read Daniel 8 aloud (perhaps 2 to 3 verses per DG member).

Was there anything from the chapter that was new to you, or had an impact on you? Was there anything that raised more questions in your mind?

2. Romans 8:29-30 *"For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified."*

Also read Ephesians 1:5,11

What do you think is the biblical understanding of "predestination"? (you may refer to these 2 passages highlighted, or from Daniel, or other parts of the Bible)

3. I shared a phrase "we are neither total master of our destiny nor are we slaves to our fate" .. do you agree or disagree? If possible, give Scriptural evidences for your convictions/answers.
4. Jeremiah 29:11 says ¹¹"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

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Have you experienced God's good plans for your life? Or heard a testimony of a Christian who has experienced the Lord's (good) plan for his/her life? Please share.

5. Why did God give Daniel the vision in Daniel 8? Can you think of any reasons?
6. Regarding "power" related to authority/management/leadership over people – there are some positives (good leadership, strength) and negatives (intimidation, control and domination).

Share some personal experiences you have of some positive and negative aspects of power.

In whatever area(s) of power you have (whether in church or family or marketplace or in society), how do you think you can improve the use of power (that it may be reflective of you as a disciple of Christ)?

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