**“A sign from the Heavens”**

Daniel 10

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**TAKE HOME TRUTH: God is on our side and ready to help, as we engage in spiritual warfare.**

*What does engaging in spiritual warfare look like?*

1. **When we face distressful situations, God invites us to bring our requests to him. (vv. 1-3)**

“All your leaders have fled together;
    without the bow they were captured.
All of you who were found were captured,
    though they had fled far away…In that day you looked to the weapons of the House of the Forest, **9**and you saw that the breaches of the city of David were many. You collected the waters of the lower pool…you broke down the houses to fortify the wall. **11**You made a reservoir between the two walls for the water of the old pool. But you did not look to him who did it, or see him who planned it long ago.”- **Isaiah 22:3, 8-11**

1. **If we persist in prayer, God will reveal himself to us. (vv. 5-11)**

*…Then the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. Will not God grant justice to his elect who cry out to him day and night? Will he delay helping them?I tell you that he will swiftly grant them justice. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”- Luke 18:6-8*

*“He [Jesus] laid his right hand on me and said, “Don’t be afraid. I am the First and the Last, and the Living One.”- Rev 1:17-18*

1. **He invites us to be involved with the cosmic battle for good through prayer. (vv. 12-19)**

*“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this darkness, against evil, spiritual forces in the heavens.” – Eph 6:12*

Reflection Questions

1. Why is the Lord so often the last person we talk to about our struggles?
2. How are you doing and bringing your petitions to him recently?
3. What does it mean to you to persist in prayer?
4. Can you think of a time when you persisted in prayer and God resolved the situation?
5. Is there anything that God is inviting you to persist in prayer about these days?
6. Have you or somebody you known had a vision into the spiritual realm? How were they affected by it?
7. According to what we’ve studied today, how do you think our prayers effect the spiritual battles in the heavenlies (Eph 6:18)?
8. Where do you need God to strengthen you today?