

# Ripple Bible Study

The life Daniel lived and the things he wrote have sent ripples down through history to reach us today. Many people have been influenced by the book he wrote. They have come to know God better and to understand His plans for us and for this world in which we live. The things recorded in the book of Daniel can have an impact for good in our life when we study it carefully and prayerfully.

## Follow these steps:

- ⇒ Pray that God's Spirit will be with you and that you will have an open heart.
- ⇒ Write notes on this page or in your Encounter Journal.
- ⇒ Study, asking the three basic questions.

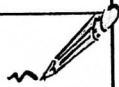
I am studying Daniel, Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

### **What does this passage say?** (Observation, or "seeing it")

Read the whole section to get an overall understanding. You may need to do this more than once.

Ask yourself:

- Who? What? Where? When? How? Why?
- Are there any repeating words or ideas? What are the key words?



### **What does this passage mean?** (Interpretation, or "knowing it")

First look at the context: What happened before and after? How does the story connect to God's big story? Write down what God is saying to you and what you have learned.

- What does this passage say about God?
- What is the chapter about? What is the main lesson to be learned?
- Is there an example to follow?
- Are there any errors to avoid?
- Is there a promise to claim and keep?



### **How does this apply to me?** (Application, or "doing it")

This is my response to what God has shown me in this passage.

- What is God asking me to do or change in my life?
- What could I share from this chapter to encourage someone else?
- What prayer can I pray prompted by the study of this passage?

