

A. INTRODUCTION. ❖ Daniel chapter 2 emphasises the need for God's wisdom in revealing the mysteries of life.	✪ Reflect • God withholds knowledge from us and gives us mystery so that we remain dependent upon him.
B. THE SETTING OF DANIEL 2. • The king's dream occurred in the second year of his reign, which corresponds to the third year of Daniel and his friends' training as part of their assimilation into the Babylonian empire.	
C. THE OUTLINE OF DANIEL 2. 1) The king and his advisors (vv.1-13), 2) God's revealing of the mystery to Daniel (vv.14-23), 3) The Dream and Its Interpretation (vv.24-45), 4) The king's response and Daniel's request (vv.46-49).	
D. THE LESSONS LEARNED. 1. The God of Daniel reveals mysteries. 2. The God of Daniel reveals his rivals.	✪ Reflect ○ Why does God reveal the mysteries of the kingdom? ○ Do we see in God's revelation regarding his kingdom and the kingdoms of the world? ○ How do we respond to these two things?
E. CONCLUSION. • God does not want us to be like Nebuchadnezzar (responded positively, but insufficiently). • Be grateful to God, for we are so privileged that God has chosen to reveal his mysteries to us through his Son. • Like Daniel, we have the privilege to tell others about the kingdom of God.	○ Are we like Nebuchadnezzar or Daniel? ○ What do we learn about Daniel's devotional life, especially in his prayer life? ▶ Can you respond to God today, just like Daniel, by joining in one of our prayer meetings? ▶ Can you be an encourager to those who have been praying for you?