



Handling the Pressure

Daniel 8 Unshakable Faith
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1. **History 101: Consecutive empires:** _____
(Lion/gold), _____ (Bear/silver), _____
(Leopard/bronze), and _____ (monster/iron-clay).

- A. The Ram (_____) conquered _____ to its west in 539BC.
- B. The Greek, _____, in 334BC, and at the age of 23, conquered Persia.
- C. After Alexander's death, his empire was eventually _____ among _____ of his _____: Selucius, Ptolemy, Cassander and Lysimachus.
- D. _____, the 8th ruler of the Seleucid kingdom in Syria. Antiochus is remembered in part for his _____ of the Jews.

2. **Why would God tell his people _____ before it happens?**

- A. "Anti-Christ's" are _____ setting themselves up as _____.
- B. The accuracy of Prophecy confirms the _____ of God!

"Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him."
Daniel 2:20-22, NIV

C. Prophecy prepares us _____ and _____ for the future.

D. _____ and _____ are debilitating. But knowing God's got this world in his hands brings the _____ to be _____, and even compassionate under pressure.

E. Prophecy always builds the _____ of God's followers.

F. God will _____ the hardship his people face!

"So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it."
1 Corinthians 10:12-13. NIV