

There is debate about the authorship of Daniel – what evidence is there for Daniel’s authorship?

- The book itself claims to be the work of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Chapters 7-12 were written from his \_\_\_\_\_  
perspective.

- The events described in the book happened to  
\_\_\_\_\_ and his \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ credited the book to Daniel (see Matthew 24:15)

Who was Porphyry?

Why did he question the authorship of Daniel?

To admit that Daniel was written in the 6<sup>th</sup> century B.C.  
would be to admit that \_\_\_\_\_ is possible.

Daniel recorded his life and visions to \_\_\_\_\_ the  
Jewish exiles in Babylon and beyond.

One of the key themes of Daniel is God’s supreme  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Daniel is written to \_\_\_\_\_ people of every nation and  
generation to -

a) give an \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Corinthians 10:11

*These things happened to them as examples and were  
written down as warnings for us, on whom the  
fulfillment of the ages has come. NIV*

b) \_\_\_\_\_ us how to \_\_\_\_\_ Romans 15:4

*For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.*  
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**What was God's purpose for judging His people?**

**In Ancient Near Eastern thought, how did the subjugation of the Jews reflect on their God?**

**The Historical purpose of Daniel is two fold.**

1) To give \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
to the Jewish exiles in Babylon.

**How long was the Babylonian captivity to be?**

**How did God act to prove He is the true ruler of this world?**

2) To prove that the Lord is the only true \_\_\_\_\_ and  
that He rules the world no matter what \_\_\_\_\_  
may be.

**Why were the Jews exiled to Babylon?**

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