God alone knows, God alone reigns (Daniel 2)

The unknown future = unsettling = threatening!

When the future is unknown and feels threatening, where do we find our safe harbour? Daniel 2 reveals there's only one place to drop anchor

1. We don't know, for we do not reign (v.1-13)

The Number 1 guy of the Number 1 superpower ...but here's the irony: v1

What dreams represent

....so the point:

The Astrology Department

The bombshell

Why is the king so insistent?

The key lesson of the opening scene: v10-11

We can try to reach for such knowledge But we are mere mortals

2. But praise God, He alone does know! (v.14-28)

What Daniel does (v18)

Why? v20-23

Notice what the passage does and doesn't tell us (at this point)

Shows us the main point

Even when he doesn't tell us, we know that God knows

3. And we can anchor ourselves in Him, because He alone reigns! (v.29-49)

The dream

The big idea

The stone (v34-35, 44 cf. Psalm 118:22)

So what can you do when the future feels like a fog?