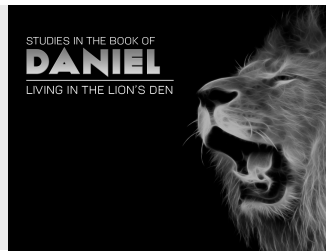


God is with us in the Fire.

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Daniel Chapter 3



The Command to Worship: 3:4-5 “Nations and peoples of every language, this is what you are commanded to do: 5 As soon as you hear the sound of music, you must fall down and worship the image of gold that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up.”

The Accusation: 3:12 there are some Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon—Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—who pay no attention to you, Your Majesty.

The Defense: 3:12 the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. 18 But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

The Rage: 3:12 Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual

The Rescue: 3:28 “Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants!

The Irony: 3:30 the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

1. A lesson on how to lead a rebellion! 3:16-19

We don’t have to set off bombs, stand in public places and yell, or occupy anything. In fact notice, they opt out of having a theological argument or debate, even though they are invited to!

2. It is never a question of will you worship, only a matter of what.

A person's god is the thing or person that one is most concerned about, thinks the most about, or affects one's life the most. -Paul Tillich

3. This story is an excellent picture of integrity and loyalty... and it is inspiring!

Hebrews 12:1-3 *Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.*

What is in a Name?

Daniel 1:6 Hebrew names and meaning:

Hananiah = God is gracious (companionate).

Mishael = Who is like The Mighty God! (incomparable).

Azariah = God Rescues.

Notes:
