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We all face difficult circumstances. These circumstances can be personal, relational, or even cultural. So often when we face them, we assume that they are too big for us to handle. But God shows us, through the life of Daniel, that they are not. In fact, He shows us that we can actually thrive in difficult circumstances.

1. What was a time in your life that you, or someone you know, thrived in difficult circumstances? What was the key to it?
2. Daniel was able to thrive in difficult circumstances. He was able to hold onto his faith in the midst of a culture that was bent against God. What do you think are the keys to being able to stand strong and be for people in our current culture?
3. Daniel's life shows us that there are three keys to thriving in difficult circumstances: 1) Remaining Hopeful; 2) Remaining Humble; and 3) Being wise in our interaction with others. Which one of these is the most challenging for you to do? Why?
4. In a culture and circumstances that seem so difficult, we are called to be the light of the world. Dave said, "The darker it gets, the more powerful light becomes, even if it is the tiniest of lights." How can you practically shine your light this week?
5. We began this study with the question, "What do you want to be known for?" How would you answer that question now, 8 weeks later?