

# NOT OUR HOME

Daniel 1

1. We are living in a culture that is **not ours**. This is not our **home**.
2. Satan slowly **chips** away at our faith by convincing us a **little compromise** is **okay**.
3. When we **decide** for God, God **provides** for us.
4. God **placed** you in this culture at this **time** because you have something **unique** we need to **hear**.
5. The next time you feel **unsettled** by this society just **remember** you are not home yet.
6. We are in **Babylon**, but Babylon does not have to be in **us**.



Sunday, April 30, 2023

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1. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. Why did God allow Jerusalem to be invaded by Nebuchadnezzar? Why did God allow Jehoiakim, the king of Judah, to be forced to pay a yearly tribute to Nebuchadnezzar? (Daniel 1;1-2, 2 Kings 24:1-20, Jeremiah 22:24-28, Jeremiah 24:1, Jeremiah 27:20, Ezekiel 1:2)
3. How is our society today similar to the Babylonian society in Daniel's time? (Isaiah 47:1-15, Isaiah 51:47, Revelation 14:8, 1 Chronicles 9:1)
4. Daniel thought it was important not to defile himself by eating the king's food. He would not compromise his faith for the sake of food. Can you think of other examples in scripture of people that did not compromise their faith, and some that did? What are some examples today in which we are tempted to compromise our faith? (Daniel 1:1-8, 1 Peter 1:22-25, 1 Peter 3:13-17, Colossians 3:5, 1 Kings 18:21, James 4:4, Matthew 6:24)
5. What was Daniel's diplomatic response when he was asked to compromise his faith? Have you been tempted or even asked to do something that goes against your faith? How did you respond? (Daniel 1:8-14, Luke 14:15, 1 Corinthians 10:13, Matthew 6:13, Matthew 26:41, Hebrews 4:15)
6. When you hear the words “This is not your home,” how does that make you feel? How did Daniel respond to the Babylonian society that was clearly not his home and against God? What can we learn from Daniel? (Philippians 3:20, Hebrews 13:14, 1 Peter 1:4, Revelation 21:2, Ephesians 2:19)