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 LIVING IN THE LAST DAYS
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HOW DO YOU OBTAIN FIREPROOF FAITH PART TWO

STAYING COOL WHEN THE HEAT IS ON DANIEL 3:28-30

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“Dare to be a Daniel, Dare to stand alone;
 Dare to have a purpose firm, Dare to make it known.”

-Phillip Paul Bliss, *Dare to be a Daniel*, (Circa 1873).

Study Section

Faith in the Fire?

1. The Discovery

Daniel 3:24–25, NLT -²⁴ But suddenly, Nebuchadnezzar jumped up in amazement and exclaimed to his advisers, “Didn’t we tie up three men and throw them into the furnace?” “Yes, Your Majesty, we certainly did,” they replied. ²⁵ “Look!” Nebuchadnezzar shouted. “I see four men, unbound, walking around in the fire unharmed! And the fourth looks like a god!”

2. The Deliverance

Daniel 3:26–27, NLT -²⁶ Then Nebuchadnezzar came as close as he could to the door of the flaming furnace and shouted: “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!” So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stepped out of the fire. ²⁷ Then the high officers, officials, governors, and advisers crowded around them and saw

that the fire had not touched them. Not a hair on their heads was singed, and their clothing was not scorched. They didn’t even smell of smoke!

3. The Decree

Daniel 3:28–30, NASB -²⁸ Nebuchadnezzar responded and said, “Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego, who has sent His angel and delivered His servants who put their trust in Him, violating the king’s command, and yielded up their bodies so as not to serve or worship any god except their own God.” ²⁹ “Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation or tongue that speaks anything offensive against the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego shall be torn limb from limb and their houses reduced to a rubbish heap, inasmuch as there is no other god who is able to deliver in this way.” ³⁰ Then the king caused Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego to prosper in the province of Babylon.

- **Commendation** to the Sovereign God and Servants of God.
- **Command** not to speak about the Sovereign God.
- **Compensation** to prosper the Servants of God.

Life Application Section

What to Remember about the ‘Fires of Life’
 SUMMARY TRUTHS FROM DANIEL 3

A. The “Fires of Life” can bring you two *blessings*:

- 1. Freedom from Bondage:** The Lord will use the fire to free you of what really binds you. “... unbound, walking in the fire unharmed!” v. 25a
- 2. Fellowship with God:** The Lord’s will come and be with you in the fire. “The fourth appears to be the Son of God.” v. 25b - KJV

B. Our God wants to be glorified in your ‘fire.’ “Let it be known to you, O king...” v. 18 - NASB

C. The supremacy and sovereignty of God deserves total loyalty regardless of the cost. “The God whom we serve is able to save us... we will never worship your gods or the statue you have set up.” v. 17-18 - NLT

D. We must make a commitment to wholly trust God—live or die. “Even if He does not...” v. 18a- NASB

They knew it was better to die a thousand times with God’s approval than to live one day without it. Better a fiery furnace than to live with the fire of a guilty conscience burning in their soul. They could die, but they dare not sin! Their convictions were not for sale. Not at any price, not even their own lives. - C.H.S.