## WHEN YOU FIND YOUR FAITH IN THE FURNACE

# Are you an "Even If" Christian or an "Only If" Christian?

Daniel 3:1-30

I. The Construction of the Imag
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- 1) DEIFY Nebuchadnezzar
- 2) Magnify Nebo
- 3) Unify Nation

### II. The Dedication of the Image

### III. The Rejection of the Image

- 1. They would Not Bow
- 2. They would Not Bend
- 3. They would Not Burn

### We see the Lord's Power . . .

- 1. Manifested through His Presence with the Hebrews
- 2. <u>Manifested by His Preservation of the Hebrews</u>
- 3. Manifested with His Promotion of the Hebrews

#### So, how then should you respond

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- 1. Accept God's Sovereignty whether the result is triumph or tragedy.
- 2. Believe God's Deliverance whether it is out of the fire or through the fire.
- 3. Confess God's Goodness . . . whether the suffering is fair or unfair.

Friends, are you prepared for the "EVEN IF's" of life?

Some people are willing to serve the Lord "ONLY IF" God will give them what they want.

But others are willing to obey God "EVEN IF" they don't get what they want.

Brother - sister, are you an "EVEN IF" Christian or an "ONLY IF" Christian?