

DANIEL 6:1-28

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FIRST FACTS

As we study chapter 6, Daniel is now over 80 years old. Babylon was conquered by the Med-Persians and Darius is the ruler. Cyrus rules over the Persian part of the empire. Soon the strength will shift from the Medes being dominant to the Persians. Chapter 6 ends the historical part of Daniel. Chapter 7 will begin the visions Daniel shares.

VERSES 1-2
Who was elevated to the number one position of the three presidents in the kingdom out of 123 princes.
VERSES 3-6
Daniel was to God and to king Darius in all he did, and no fault could be found in him by his enemies.
<u>VERSES 7</u>
All 120 princes and the other 2 presidents wanted to trap Daniel and have the king kill Daniel. They could not find anything to accuse Daniel of, so they created a plot to trick the king.
How did they convince the king to create a new law to make king Darius a deity?
<u>VERSES 8-10</u>
Daniel prayed 3 times each day and would kneel and face Jerusalem. Jesus told the woman at the well that God was spirit and there is no required location to worship God. We should worship God in truth now and in



VERSES 11-14

The princes tricked king Darius into signing a new law that required everyone for 30 days to only pray to the king. If anyone broke this law, they would be thrown into the den of lions. The Med-Persian empired did not allow the king to change a law once it was written and signed. What did king Darius try his best to do for Daniel all day after he signed the new law?
<u>VERSES 15-19</u>
Who could not sleep, and he fasted during the night Daniel was in the den of lions?
<u>Verse 20-22; Isaiah 11:6</u>
What is the next event that we are waiting to happen?
VERSES 23
Daniel was not hurt by the lions because he in God.
VERSES 24
What did the 122 princes receive from king Darius?
<u>VERSES 25-28</u>
In the degree that king Darius wrote and sent out to all his kingdom, what were people ordered to do to honor the living God that Daniel worshipped?

Answers: Daniel, Faithfull, They Lied, Spirit, Deliver Him, Darius, Rapture, Believed, Final Judgement, Tremble & Fear

(Ref.: Adam Clarke, Karl Keil, Warren Wiersbe, J. Vernon McGee, Chuck Missler, Finis Dake, David Stern, Ancient Christian Commentary, Matthew Henry, Herodotus, Encyclopedia Britannica 1910)



The chapters of Daniel are not all in chronological order.

Chronological Order

- 1 Babylonian Captivity 606 B.C.
- 2 Nebuchadnezzar's Dream 602 B.C.
- 3 Nebuchadnezzar's Image
- 4 Nebuchadnezzar's Pride
- 7 The vision of the 4 beasts 556 B.C.
- 8 Ram and He-goat vision 554 B.C.
- 5 Babylon falls to Persians 539 B.C.
- 9 Vision of seventy weeks 538 B.C.
- 6 The Lions' Den
- 10 -12 Closing visions