



...WITHOUT BLEMISH, OF GOOD APPEARANCE AND SKILLFUL IN ALL WISDOM, ENDOWED WITH KNOWLEDGE, UNDERSTANDING LEARNING, AND COMPETENT TO STAND IN THE KING'S PALACE, AND TO TEACH THEM THE LITERATURE AND LANGUAGE OF THE CHALDEANS

DANIEL 1:17, 20

AS FOR THESE FOUR YOUTHS, GOD GAVE THEM LEARNING AND SKILL IN ALL LITERATURE AND WISDOM, AND DANIEL HAD UNDERSTANDING IN ALL VISIONS AND DREAMS. ... 20 AND IN EVERY MATTER OF WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHICH THE KING INQUIRED OF THEM, HE FOUND THEM TEN TIMES BETTER THAN ALL THE MAGICIANS AND ENCHANTERS THAT WERE IN ALL HIS KINGDOM.

HAVE GIVEN THEM YOUR WORD, AND THE WORLD HAS HATED THEM BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT OF THE WORLD, JUST ASIAMNOTOFTHE WORLD

DANIEL 3:1, 4-5

KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR MADE AN IMAGE OF GOLD, WHOSE HEIGHT WAS SIXTY CUBITS AND ITS BREADTH SIX CUBITS. HE SET IT UP ON THE PLAIN OF DURA, IN THE PROVINCE OF BABYLON....

DANIEL 3:1, 4-5

4 AND THE HERALD PROCLAIMED ALOUD, "YOU ARE COMMANDED, O PEOPLES, NATIONS, AND LANGUAGES, 5 THAT WHEN YOU HEAR THE SOUND OF THE HORN, PIPE, LYRE, TRIGON, HARP, BAGPIPE, AND EVERY KIND OF MUSIC, YOU ARE TO FALL DOWN AND WORSHIP THE GOLDEN IMAGE THAT KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR HAS SET UP

THE DEMAND OF AN LUNGODLY ENEMY

AND WHOEVER DOES NOT FALL DOWN AND WORSHIP SHALL IMMEDIATELY BE CASTINTO A BURNING FIERY FURNACE

THE DECISION OF A GODLY MAN

DANIEL 3:16-18

SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, ANSWERED AND SAID TO THE KING, O NEBUCHADNEZZAR, WE [ARE] NOT CAREFUL TO ANSWER THEE IN THIS MATTER. 17 IF IT BE SO, OUR GOD WHOM WE SERVE IS ABLE TO DELIVER US FROM THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE, AND HE WILL DELIVER [US] OUT OF THINE HAND, O KING. 18 BUT IF NOT, BE IT KNOWN UNTO THEE, O KING, THAT WE WILL NOT SERVE THY GODS, NOR WORSHIP THE GOLDEN IMAGE WHICH THOU HAST SET UP

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...BEITKNOWN UNTO THEE, O KING, THAT WE WILL NOT SERVETHY GODS, NOR WORSHIP THE GOLDEN IMAGE WHICH THOU HAST SET UP

APREFERENCEISA STRONG BELIEF, BUT A BELIEF THAT YOU WILL CHANGE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES

ACONVICTIONISA NOTCHANGE

THEIR DECISION WAS BASED ON CONFIDENCE IN GOD'S PROTECTION

IF IT BE [SO], OUR GOD WHOM WE SERVE IS ABLE TO DELIVER US FROM THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE, AND HE WILL DELIVER [US] OUT OF THINE HAND, OKING.

DANIEL 3:19-21

THEN WAS NEBUCHADNEZZAR FULL OF FURY, AND THE FORM OF HIS VISAGE WAS CHANGED AGAINST SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO: [THEREFORE] HE SPAKE, AND COMMANDED THAT THEY SHOULD HEAT THE FURNACE ONE SEVENTIMES MORE THAN IT WAS WONT TO BE HEATED. 20 AND HE COMMANDED THE MOST MIGHTY MEN

DANIEL 3:19-21

THAT [WERE] IN HIS ARMY TO BIND SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, [AND] TO CAST [THEM] INTO THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE. 21 THEN THESE MEN WERE BOUND IN THEIR COATS, THEIR HOSEN, AND THEIR HATS, AND THEIR OTHER GARMENTS, AND WERE CAST INTO THE MIDST OF THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE.

SAIAH 41:10-13

FEAR THOU NOT; FOR I [AM] WITH THEE: BE NOT DISMAYED; FOR I [AM] THY GOD: I WILL STRENGTHEN THEE; YEA, I WILL HELP THEE; YEA, I WILL UPHOLD THEE WITH THE RIGHT HAND OF MY RIGHTEOUSNESS. 11 BEHOLD, ALL THEY THAT WERE INCENSED AGAINST THEE SHALL BE ASHAMED AND CONFOUNDED: THEY SHALL BE AS NOTHING; AND THEY THAT STRIVE WITH THEE SHALL PERISH.

SAIAH 41:10-13

12 THOU SHALT SEEK THEM, AND SHALT NOT FIND THEM, [EVEN] THEM THAT CONTENDED WITH THEE: THEY THAT WAR AGAINST THEE SHALL BE AS NOTHING, AND AS A THING OF NOUGHT. 13 FOR I THE LORD THY GOD WILL HOLD THY RIGHT HAND, SAYING UNTO THEE, EEAR NOT; I WILL HELP THE

NO WEAPON THAT IS FORMED AGAINST THEE SHALL PROSPER; AND EVERY TONGUE THAT SHALL RISE AGAINST THEE IN JUDGMENT THOU SHALT CONDEMN. THIS [IS] THE HERITAGE OF THE SERVANTS OF THE LORD, AND THEIR RIGHTEOUSNESS IS OF ME, SAITH THE LORD

THE DELIMERANCE OF ANALMGHTY GOD

DANIEL 3:23-25

AND THESE THREE MEN, SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, FELL DOWN BOUND INTO THE MIDST OF THE BURNING FIERY FURNACE. 24 THEN NEBUCHADNEZZAR THE KING WAS ASTONIED, AND ROSE UP IN HASTE, AND SPAKE, AND SAID UNTO HIS COUNSELLORS, DID NOT WE CAST THREE. MEN BOUND INTO THE MIDST OF THE FIRE?

DANIEL 3:23-25

THEY ANSWERED AND SAID UNTO THE KING, TRUE, O KING. 25 HE ANSWERED AND SAID, LO, I SEE FOUR MEN LOOSE, WALKING IN THE MIDST OF THE FIRE, AND THEY HAVE NO HURT; AND THE FORM OF THE FOURTH IS LIKE THE SON OF GOD.

THEREFORE BECAUSE THE KING'S COMMANDMENT WAS URGENT, AND THE FURNACE EXCEEDING HOT, THE FLAME OF THE FIRE SLEW THOSE MEN THAT TOOK UP SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO.

DANIEL 3:25

HEANSWERED AND SAID, LO, I SEE FOUR MEN LOOSE, WALKING IN THE MIDST OF THE FIRE, AND THEY HAVE NO HURT; AND THE FORM OF THE FOURTH IS LIKE THE SON OF GOD.

AND THE PRINCES, GOVERNORS, AND CAPTAINS, AND THE KING'S COUNSELLORS, BEING GATHERED TOGETHER, SAW THESE MEN, UPON WHOSE BODIES THE FIRE HAD NO POWER, NOR WAS AN HAIR OF THEIR HEAD SINGED, NEITHER WERE THEIR COATS CHANGED, NOR THE SMELL OF FIRE HAD PASSED ON THEM.

DANIEL 3:29-30

THEREFORE I MAKE A DECREE, THAT EVERY PEOPLE, NATION, AND LANGUAGE, WHICH SPEAK ANY THING AMISS AGAINST THE GOD OF SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, SHALL BE CUT IN PIECES, AND THEIR HOUSES SHALL BE MADE A DUNGHILL: BECAUSE THERE IS NO OTHER GOD THAT CAN DELIVER AFTER THIS SORT. 30 THEN THE KING PROMOTED SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, IN THE PROVINCE OF BABYLON.

