

### **Sermon Notes**

#### **Daniel Chapter 3**

**When we stand for Jesus people will scheme against us.**

**The world hates when we take a moral stand.**

**Romans 1:32 (NIV)**

**The world hates our exclusive message.**

**John 14:6 (NIV)**

**When we stand for Jesus people will threaten us.**

**John 19:10-11 (NIV)**

**When we stand for Jesus people will assault us.**

**John 15:18-19 (NIV)**

#### **How do we respond?**

- 1. We can Trust the Lord. / 1 Peter 1:6-7 (NIV)**
- 2. We can Love people.**
- 3. We can Encourage Each Other. / Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NIV) / Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)**

### **Discussion Questions**

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?**
- 2) Have you ever taken a moral stand and felt/experienced backlash from the culture as a result? How did you respond? What did God teach you in the midst of that 'fire'?**
- 3) Read John 14:6. Have you ever discussed the exclusive message of Jesus with others? Are you prepared to talk about Jesus as the 'only way' with others? Why or why not?**
- 4) When it comes to *standing firm and loving well*, who has encouraged you the most in your journey as a follower of Jesus? Do you have consistent encouragement at this present time? What can you do to put yourself in those environments?**
- 5) Read John 15:18-19. As difficult as it can become in America to stand firm for Jesus, it's typically just our social reputations that are at stake. Take a moment to pray for those across the world that are currently being tortured or killed because of their faith in Jesus!**