

## Sermon Notes

**Big Idea:** Daniel found himself living in a culture not unlike ours. It was a world of rapid change, moral compromise, and pressure to conform. He found himself face to face with a series of future-defining decisions: compromise his values or stand for his convictions. His character, courage and convictions resulted in a reliable roadmap for the church today.

**How do we maintain conviction in a culture of compromise?**

**1 Peter 1:1-2 (ESV)**

**Daniel 6:1-24 (ESV)**

**Daniel was unaccusable when it came to his character, and over-accusable when it came to his faith.**

**A Faith that is Tested is a Faith that can be Trusted**

**Communion → Conviction → Character → Courage → Change**

**Daniel 1:8a (ESV) But Daniel resolved that he would not defile himself...**

## Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) Read Daniel 6:4-5. How would the people who know you best describe your character? How would they describe your faith? Explain.
- 3) Do you agree that *A Faith that is Tested is a Faith that can be Trusted*? Who do you know that has that kind of Faith? Explain.
- 4) How has this sermon series changed your Communion habits with God? Any more consistency than before? Has it lead to stronger convictions? More character or courage?
- 5) Read Daniel 1:8. What is one are that you can resolve to no longer defile yourself? What's your plan to strengthen this resolve?