

Anchored in the Drift: Still Reigning in Babylon

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Scripture: Daniel 1

SUMMARY

Daniel 1 shows how to stay anchored when culture drifts: live in “Babylon” with courage, conviction, and quiet faithfulness under the God who still reigns.

OVERVIEW

Launching Anchored in the Drift, Missy Carfield takes Daniel 1 as a map for exiles. Taken to Babylon, Daniel and friends receive new names and pressures to assimilate—but resolve not to defile themselves, and God gives favor and wisdom.

The banner is clear: cultures shift; God does not. His people can thrive without compromise when they draw lines of conviction and trust His sovereignty in hostile places.

KEY POINTS

- Babylon renames and retrains—but identity in God can hold
- Conviction draws lines we will not cross even under pressure
- God grants favor and wisdom to the faithful in exile
- Quiet faithfulness is not passivity; it is courage without spectacle
- The God who reigned in Babylon still reigns where we live
- Thriving in drift requires roots deeper than cultural currents
- Series aim: anchored lives when everything around us screams compromise

MEMORABLE LINES

"In a culture that is always shifting, God doesn't."

"Even when everything around us screams compromise, God is still sovereign."

"His people can thrive with courage, conviction, and quiet faithfulness."

"Stay firmly anchored in God."

TAKEAWAY

Identify one “Babylon” pressure in your life and one concrete conviction-line you will hold this week—asking God for courage and quiet faithfulness.

SOURCE

- YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TOe48FVoQfo> (website summary (no captions/transcript yet))
- Website: <https://www.baypointchurch.com/media/3g8vxmx/anchored-in-the-drift-still-reigning-in-babylon>