

1st- Time Commitment

- Today, *for the first time*, I pray...
Dear Jesus,
I confess that You are Lord. Thank you for forgiving my messy sin.
Today, I surrender my life to You as my Lord and Savior. Amen

Next Steps

- This week, I will follow Daniel's example and work on the qualities of:

- Please contact me at _____, about:
- Volunteering at Easter; April 20th or 21st
 - Attending CLASS 101: Discovering Membership; Tues, April 9th
 - Attending CLASS 201: Developing Spiritual Maturity; Tues, April 9th

WHAT'S HAPPENING



MARCH
31
RESURRECTIONS
NEW SERIES BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY



APRIL
5
FRIDAY NIGHTS BLOCK PARTY
VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO



APRIL
9
CLASS 101 AND 201
TUESDAY | H2 | 6:30
SIGN UP ON THE WEBSITE TODAY



APRIL
20-21
EASTER AT HARVEST
SAT - 20TH | *2:00 | *4:00 | *6:00
SUN - 21ST | 9:00 | 10:30 | 12:00 | *5:00
* EGG HUNT AFTER SERVICE



Its that time of year again! Please drop off bags of individually wrapped Easter candy in the lobby on Sundays!
(PLASTIC EGGS NOT NEEDED. WE HAVE PLENTY!)

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH EVERYTHING THAT IS HAPPENING AT
HARVESTCHURCH4U.ORG

24
MAR

Messy
PEOPLE

9:00 10:30 12:00

 **Harvest**
CHURCH

Staying True to God When Life Gets Messy

Daniel 1-6

Short Answers to Big Questions:

Q: Why is Life so Messy?

A: This is earth not heaven. We live on a broken planet.

Facts About Daniel

- P.O.W. as a young man
- Has tremendous faith, courage and good attitude
- Daniel and 3 friends make a commitment to stay true to God
- Rises to leadership and serves in 4 administrations (Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazzar, Darius & Cyrus)

Six Qualities We See in Daniel & His Friends

“Daniel so distinguished himself from all the other leaders by his remarkable qualities that the king planned to put him in charge over the entire empire!”
Daniel 6:3

1. **COMMITMENT** to God’s standards in an anti-God culture.

“But Daniel was determined not to defile himself by eating the food and wine given to them by the king. He asked the chief of staff for permission not to eat these unacceptable foods.”
Daniel 1 :8
(NLT)

2. Daniel seeks **GOD’S HELP** and gives **GOD CREDIT**.

“He urged them to ask the God of heaven to show them His mercy by telling them the secret, so they would not be executed along with the other wise men of Babylon.”
Daniel 2:18 (NLT)

“Daniel replied, ‘There are no wise men, enchanters, magicians, or fortune-tellers who can reveal the king’s secret. But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has shown King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen in the future. Now I will tell you your dream and the visions you saw as you lay on your bed.’”
Daniel 2:27-28(NLT)

3. **LOYALTY** in the face of death.

“Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied, ‘O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us. He will rescue us from your power, Your Majesty. But even if He doesn’t, we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up.’”
Daniel 3:16-18
(NLT)

4. **COURAGE** to speak **TRUTH** with **HUMILITY** even when it’s a hard message.

“... ‘Oh, that the events foreshadowed in this dream would happen to your enemies, my lord, and not to you!’”
Daniel 4:19 (LB)

“That tree, Your Majesty, is you. For you have grown strong and great; your greatness reaches up to heaven, and your rule to the ends of the earth.”
Daniel 4:22 (NLT)

5. Daniel’s **CONSISTENCY** grows a **REPUTATION** respected by his enemies.

“This man Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar, has exceptional ability and is filled with divine knowledge and understanding. He can interpret dreams, explain riddles, and solve difficult problems. Call for Daniel, and he will tell you what the writing means.”
Daniel 5:12 (NLT)

6. Daniel was **SELF-DISCIPLINED**, **OBEDIENT** and **TENACIOUS** in his faith and service to God.

“But when Daniel learned that the law had been signed, he went home and knelt down as usual in his upstairs room, with its windows open toward Jerusalem. He prayed three times a day, just as he had always done, giving thanks to his God. Then the officials went together to Daniel’s house and found him praying and asking for God’s help.”
Daniel 6:10-11
(NLT)

“Daniel answered, ‘Long live the king! My God sent his angel to shut the lions’ mouths so that they would not hurt me, for I have been found innocent in His sight. And I have not wronged you, Your Majesty.’”