



# DANIEL

FAITH UNDER FIRE

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“Faithful in The Face of Lions”



# Proverbs 20:6

"Most men will proclaim each his own goodness, but who can find a faithful man?"

# Daniel 6:16

16 So the king gave the command, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions. But the king spoke, saying to Daniel, "Your God, whom you serve continually, He will deliver you."

# **Daniel 6:17-18**

**17 Then a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signets of his lords, that the purpose concerning Daniel might not be changed. 18 Now the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; and no musicians were brought before him. Also his sleep went from him.**

**VS 1-3**

**The Promotion of Daniel**

# Daniel 6:1-3

1 It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom one hundred and twenty satraps, to be over the whole kingdom; 2 and over these, three governors, of whom Daniel was one, that the satraps might give account to them, so that the king would suffer no loss. 3 Then this Daniel distinguished himself above the governors and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king gave thought to setting him over the whole realm.

# Daniel 1:8

1 Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's delicacies, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.



**You're never too old to be used by  
God. You're never beyond being able  
to pray and be a blessing to others.**

**VS 4-9**

**The plot of the governors  
and satraps**

# Daniel 6:4

So the governors and satraps sought to find some charge against Daniel concerning the kingdom.

But they could find no charge or fault, because he was faithful; nor was there any error or fault found in him.

# Daniel 6:5

Then these men said, "We shall not find any charge against this Daniel unless we find it against him concerning the law of his God."

# Daniel 6:6

6 So these governors and satraps thronged before the king, and said thus to him: "King Darius, live forever!

# Daniel 6:7

7 All the governors of the kingdom, the administrators and satraps, the counselors and advisors, have consulted together to establish a royal statute and to make a firm decree, that whoever petitions any god or man for thirty days, except you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions.

# Daniel 6:8-9

8 Now, O king, establish the decree and sign the writing, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not alter.” 9 Therefore King Darius signed the written decree.

**Whatever God is, He is holy and  
righteous.**

**The number one attribute that God wants  
to be known by in the Bible is His  
holiness.**





**“I can’t believe in  
a God who is a  
jealous God”**

**-Oprah Winfrey**

# Daniel 6:7

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that whoever petitions any god or man for thirty days, except you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions.

**“Pride goes before destruction, and a  
haughty spirit before a fall.”**

**VS 10-11**

**The Prayer of Daniel**

# **Daniel 6:10-11**

**10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went home. And in his upper room, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as was his custom since early days. 11 Then these men assembled and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.**

# **Luke 18:1**

**..Men always ought to pray and not lose heart.**

**His public strength was in his private  
prayer!**

**The frequency of our stops will  
determine the fervency of our steps!**

**-Pastor Matt Maher**



**The intimacy of our stops will  
determine the integrity of our steps!**

**-Pastor Matt Maher**

# **5 Things About Daniel's Prayer**

- 1. He had a place to pray**
- 2. He had a purpose in prayer**
- 3. Notice his posture in prayer**
- 4. He gave thanks in his prayer**
- 5. He made a habit of prayer**

**VS 12-15**

**The Powerless King**

# Daniel 6:12

12 And they went before the king, and spoke concerning the king's decree: 'Have you not signed a decree that every man who petitions any god or man within thirty days, except you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?' The king answered and said, 'The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not alter.'

# Daniel 6:13

13 So they answered and said before the king, "That Daniel, who is one of the captives from Judah, does not show due regard for you, O king, or for the decree that you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day."

# Daniel 6:14

14 And the king, when he heard *these* words, was greatly displeased with himself, and set *his* heart on Daniel to deliver him; and **he labored till the going down of the sun to deliver him.**

# Daniel 6:15

15 Then these men approached the king, and said to the king, "Know, O king, that it is the law of the Medes and Persians that no decree or statute which the king establishes may be changed."

**VS 16-23**

**The Powerful God**



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# Daniel 6:19-21

19 Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to the den of lions. 20 And when he came to the den, he cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel. The king spoke, saying to Daniel, 'Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?' 21 Then Daniel said to the king, 'O king, live forever!'

# Daniel 6:22

22 "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouth so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you."

# Daniel 6:23

23 Now the king was exceedingly glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no injury whatever was found on him, because he believed in his God.

# Hebrews 11:33

33 who through faith subdued  
kingdoms, worked righteousness,  
obtained promises, stopped the mouths  
of lions,

**God will be with you in the fire, He can deliver you, but we need to trust Him.**

**It takes even greater faith to trust God if He doesn't deliver us from the lions.**

**We can't predict the outcome, but we can  
always trust God with the outcome.**

**You can't predict what God will do, but  
you know that God will do what is best  
for us and for His glory.**



**“A living faith in the living God will  
give courage and strength for every  
emergency of life.”**

**-Anonymous**

**VS 24**

**The Evildoers Are Punished**

# Daniel 6:24

24 And the king gave the command, and they brought those men who had accused Daniel, and they cast *them* into the den of lions—them, their children, and their wives; and the lions overpowered them, and broke all their bones in pieces before they ever came to the bottom of the den.

# Proverbs 26:27

Whoever digs a pit will fall into it,  
And he who rolls a stone will have it roll  
back on him.

**VS 25-28**

**The Lord's Power  
Proclaimed**

# Daniel 6:25

25 Then King Darius wrote: 'To all peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth: "Peace be multiplied to you"'

# Daniel 6:26

26 I make a decree that in every dominion of my kingdom men must tremble and fear before the God of Daniel. For He is the living God, and steadfast forever; His kingdom is the one which shall not be destroyed, and His dominion shall endure to the end.

# **Daniel 6:27-28**

**27 He delivers and rescues, and He works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth, who has delivered Daniel from the power of the lions. 28 So this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.**



# 3 Takeaways from Daniel's Life

Faithful to:

1. Purpose in his heart...
2. Pray
3. Present himself a living sacrifice

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teaches us how to be  
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