**Message:** The Story I'll Tell Week 1 – I Decided to Start **Scripture:** Daniel 6:4-10

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith... Hebrews 12:2

## I DECIDED TO

- <u>START</u>
- <u>STOP</u>
- <u>STAY</u>
- <u>GO</u>

## THE STORY BEHIND THE STORY

At this, the administrators and the satraps tried to find grounds for charges against Daniel in his conduct of government affairs, but they were unable to do so. They could find <u>no corruption in him</u>, because he was <u>trustworthy</u> and neither <u>corrupt nor negligent</u>. Finally these men said, "We will never find any basis for charges against this man Daniel unless it has something to do with the law of his God." Daniel 6:4-5

Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. <u>Three times a day</u> he <u>got down on his knees and prayed</u>, giving thanks to his God, <u>just as he had done before</u>. Daniel 6:10

- WHAT DOES GOD WANT YOU TO WANT?
- WHAT DO YOU NEED TO START?

Meanwhile a prophet came to Ahab king of Israel and announced, "This is what the Lord says: 'Do you see this vast army? I will give it into your hand today, and then you will know that I am the Lord." But who will do this?" asked Ahab. The prophet replied, "This is what the Lord says: 'The young officers of the provincial commanders will do it.'" "<u>And who will start the battle</u>?" he asked. The prophet answered, "<u>You will</u>." 1 Kings 20:13-14