

Daniel 3

1. Nebuchadnezzar's Golden Statue ([Daniel 3:1-7](#))

- A. The statue was massive: ___ feet high and ___ feet wide. (3:1)
- B. The statue was setup in the plain of _____. (3:1)
- C. Nebuchadnezzar assembled all the government _____ to the dedication of the statue. (3:2-3)
- D. They are instructed that they must worship the statue or be _____ (3:4-7)

2. The Accusation ([Daniel 3:8-12](#))

- A. Some of the _____ government official took the opportunity to point out the disobedience of the 3 _____ advisors (3:8-12)

3. The Confrontation ([Daniel 3:13-18](#))

- A. Nebuchadnezzar is _____ at the report. (3:13)
- B. Nebuchadnezzar gave them another opportunity to prove their _____ to him (3:14-15)
- C. Nebuchadnezzar reminds them of the _____. (3:15)
- D. Nebuchadnezzar challenged the _____ of God. (3:15)
- E. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego _____ their ground. (3:16-18)

4. The Miraculous Deliverance ([Daniel 3:19-27](#))

- A. The king is _____ at the response of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (3:19-20)
 - i. He had the furnace _____ (3:19)
 - ii. He had his _____ soldiers tie up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. (3:20)
- B. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were thrown, _____ and fully _____ into the fire (3:21-23)
- C. Nebuchadnezzar is _____ by what he sees in the fire (3:24-25)
- D. Nebuchadnezzar ordered Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to _____. (3:26)
- E. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were completely _____ by the fire (3:27)

5. Nebuchadnezzar worships God ([Daniel 3:28-30](#))
 - A. Nebuchadnezzar is moved from anger to _____ (3:28)
 - B. Nebuchadnezzar decreed that nothing _____ be said about God under penalty of death (3:29)
 - C. Nebuchadnezzar _____ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (3:30)

Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think Nebuchadnezzar required *public* worship from all officials rather than private allegiance?
2. What does this chapter reveal about human pride and the desire for control?
3. What does their response teach us about faith and trust in God's sovereignty?
4. How do we understand the identity of the "fourth man in the fire"? What are the possible interpretations?
5. When have you felt pressure to conform to something that conflicted with your beliefs? How did you respond?
6. What can we learn from this passage about how God works through both deliverance *and* suffering?
7. What does this story teach about God's power over life and death?