

Facing Lions

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Our Purpose: To be a community of believers where, no matter who you are, you can experience life change through Jesus Christ.

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

—Ephesians 2:10 (ESV)

Daniel's Choice was COMPROMISE or CONSEQUENCE

Excuses we use to compromise:

- God will UNDERSTAND.
- Who could BLAME me?
- This is what is BEST.

10 When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.

—Daniel 6:10 (ESV)

Why did Daniel choose consequences over compromise?

1. He Was COMMITTED to Honoring God

16 "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

—John 3:16 (ESV)

2. He Had COURAGE Even When Facing Lions

Courage is being AFRAID, and doing it ANYWAY

...He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.

—Daniel 6:10 (ESV)

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

—Matthew 6:33 (ESV)

31 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

—1 Corinthians 10:31 (ESV)

25 Then King Darius wrote to all the peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth: "Peace be multiplied to you. 26 I make a decree, that in all my royal dominion people are to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel, for he is the living God, enduring forever; his kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion shall be to the end. 27 He delivers and rescues; he works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth, he who has saved Daniel from the power of the lions."

—Daniel 6:25-28 (ESV)

Face LIONS And LEAP Anyway.