

“Standing In Times of Testing” (Part 2)

Daniel 3:19-30

The Big Idea:

Faith in the furnace is where God is _____ and His enemies are _____. (Daniel 3:19-30)

How to Stand In Times of Testing:

I. They would not bow due to their devotion to God. (Daniel 3:1-12)

II. They would not bend due to their conviction in God. (Daniel 3:13-18)

III. They would not _____ due to their _____ from God. (Daniel 3:19-30)

The Results of Standing In Times of Testing:

1. The enemies of God's people were _____. (Daniel 3:22)

2. The bonds of God's people were _____. (Daniel 3:25)

3. The hearts of God's people were _____. (Daniel 3:25)

4. The God of God's people was _____. (Daniel 3:28)

5. The influence of God's people was _____. (Daniel 3:30)

Conclusion:

May we be people that like Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, or Chrysostom are people the world doesn't know what to do with because of our resolve to live for Christ and our conviction in who He is and what He can do!

Daniel – Unshakeable (Study Guide)

* Use this study guide as a means for going deeper in your understanding of the book of Daniel, but don't stop there. Use this study guide to also practically apply the principles you will learn from the book of Daniel to your everyday life as there are many great parallels between what Daniel was facing 2,600 years ago and what we face today.

Read Daniel 3

1. After reading the entire chapter, what do you observe in regard to why they were in this predicament where they could lose their lives? After studying the last two chapters over the past few weeks, how did they get to the point where they were content with losing their lives in order to stand for the one true God?

2. The first result we discovered of standing for God was that the enemies of God and His people were executed. While that may not happen to our enemies in this lifetime, in what way will it eventually happen and how does that encourage you?

3. In **Daniel 3:25** we learned that the bonds of God's people were eliminated through the fire. How do the fires of trials at times free God's people from bondage, maybe even things we don't realize we're bound by?

4. One of the most important aspects of this whole event also appears in **Daniel 3:25**, it's when we are told there is a fourth man in the fire. It's almost undoubtedly the preincarnate Christ. What do we learn from Jesus being in the fire with these three? What does this say about His involvement in our lives today?