

Belief Under Pressure – Part 2

Daniel 6:1-11; 16-23, 26-27

CONTEXT – MEDIA-PERSIA HAS DEFEATED BABYLON.

- Daniel 7 – 8: 1st & 3rd years of Belshazzar;
553, 550 b.c.
- Daniel 5 – Babylon defeated by Media-Persia,
539 b.c., Darius the Mede - King
- Daniel 6 – 1st year - Darius; 539 b.c.
- Daniel 9 – 67 years over; 539 b.c

1. DANIEL'S LIFE CHOICES REVEALED GOD PRESENCE IN HIS LIFE 24/7.

- Daniel 6:4, 5
- Daniel 6:16, "...constantly serve..."
- Daniel 6:20, "...servant ... constantly serve..."

OUR ACTIONS, CHOICES REVEAL THE EXTENT OF GOD IN OUR LIVES

- Absence. Commissioners plot.
- Presence. Daniel
 - Life choices; hard, honest worker. 6:4-5
- John 15:1-5
- Matt 7:16-17; 20-23



What kind of tree is this? 2 Tim 4:1-5

2. DANIEL CHOSE THE LIONS' DEN RATHER THAN MOVE GOD DOWN A NOTCH

- Daniel 6:10. 3x day, 7days.
 - Only 30 days to close window.
 - 30 days to pray to two instead of One.
- Idolatry – the worship or adoration of ANYTHING instead of, or in addition to, God.
 - Exodus 20:3

GOD WANTS YOU TO BE HAPPY.

- Video here.
- The worship of self, what works for me, what I believe to be so; never mind what God says.

3. DANIEL OBEYED GOD AND TRUSTED GOD FOR THE OUTCOME

- Daniel 6:10.
 - Obedience was decided upon first.