

# Daniel: Chapter Three





# The Power of Obedience

# Mark 14:32-36

Then they came to a place which was named Gethsemane; and He said to His disciples, “Sit here while I pray.” And He took Peter, James, and John with Him, and He began to be troubled and deeply distressed. Then He said to them, “My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch.”

He went a little farther, and fell on the ground, and prayed that if it were possible, the hour might pass from Him. **And He said, “Abba, Father, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what You will.”**

# Matthew 4:1-4

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, “If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.”

But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’ ”



# James 1:22-25

**But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.** For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.

**But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.**

# Daniel 3:1-18



# Daniel 3:1

**Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits and its width six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.**

# Daniel 3:2-3

And King Nebuchadnezzar sent word to gather together the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to come to the dedication of **the image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up**. So the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces gathered together for the dedication of **the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up**; and they stood before **the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up**.



# Daniel 3:4-6

Then a herald cried aloud: “To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, that at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, you shall fall down and worship **the gold image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up**; and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.”

# Daniel 3:7

So at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the horn, flute, harp, and lyre, in symphony with all kinds of music, all the people, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped **the gold image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.**



All in all, the Word of God will tell us  
an astounding TEN TIMES  
in just 30 verses  
that this image was set up by King  
Nebuchadnezzar.

# Proverbs 14:12; 16:25

**There is a way that seems right to a man,  
But its end is the way of death.**



# Daniel 3:8-12

Therefore at that time certain Chaldeans came forward and accused the Jews. They spoke and said to King Nebuchadnezzar, “O king, live forever! You, O king, have made a decree that everyone who hears the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, shall fall down and worship the gold image; and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. There are certain Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego; these men, O king, have not paid due regard to you. They do not serve your gods or worship the gold image which you have set up.”

# Daniel 3:13-15

**Then Nebuchadnezzar, in rage and fury,** gave the command to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. So they brought these men before the king. Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying to them, “Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up? Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, good! But if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. **And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?”**

Deception will always lead to  
oppression,  
because Satan is its author.



# Matthew 24:3-4

## Jesus: The Signs of the Times and the End of the Age

Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”

And Jesus answered and said to them:

**“TAKE HEED THAT NO ONE DECEIVES YOU.”**

**The #1 Sign of the End of the  
Age According to Jesus:**

**DECEPTION**

**Deception will lead to oppression  
every single time.**

**It will have us act in accordance to  
our flesh and to our fallen nature.**

**It will play out through fear instead  
of through faith.**



**The Antidote:**

Obedience to the

Word of God

through the power of the

Holy Spirit.

# Daniel 3:16-18

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up.”

# Exodus 20:1-6



And God spoke all these words, saying:

“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

1 “You shall have no other gods before Me.

2 “You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

# John 15:9-10

**“As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love.”**







**Love=Obedience**

**At the end of the day,  
our actions will always show  
what we truly believe  
about God and His Word.**

**Daniel 3:19-30**

# Daniel 3:19-23

**Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated. And he commanded certain mighty men of valor who were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, and cast them into the burning fiery furnace. Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.**



# Daniel 3:24-25

**Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished;** and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, “Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?”

They answered and said to the king, “True, O king.” “Look!” he answered, “I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, **and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.**”

**“Why, Jesus?”**

# Because:

It is in obedience to the  
Word of God that we will see  
the manifestation of Jesus in  
our lives.

Obedience to the Word of God  
will cost us the world,  
but it will gain a deeper walk  
with Christ--  
WHAT WE TRULY NEED MOST.

# Apostles on Trial Again Before the High Priest

And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest asked them, saying, “Did we not strictly command you not to teach in this name? And look, you have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this Man’s blood on us!”

But Peter and the other apostles answered and said: “We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.”

**Acts 5:27-32**



# Daniel 3:26-27

Then Nebuchadnezzar went near the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and spoke, saying, “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here.” Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego came from the midst of the fire. And the satraps, administrators, governors, and the king’s counselors gathered together, **and they saw these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and the smell of fire was not on them.**

# Daniel 3:28-30

Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying, “Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, who sent His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him, **and they have frustrated the king’s word, and yielded their bodies, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God!** Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation, or language which speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made an ash heap; **because there is no other God who can deliver like this.”**

Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego in the province of Babylon.

# Romans 12:1

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by  
the mercies of God, **that you present  
your bodies a living sacrifice, holy,  
acceptable to God, which is your  
reasonable service.**

# Romans 12:2

And do not be conformed to this world,  
but be transformed by the renewing of  
your mind, that you may prove what is  
that good and acceptable and perfect  
will of God.

# Ephesians 3:20-21

**“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”**



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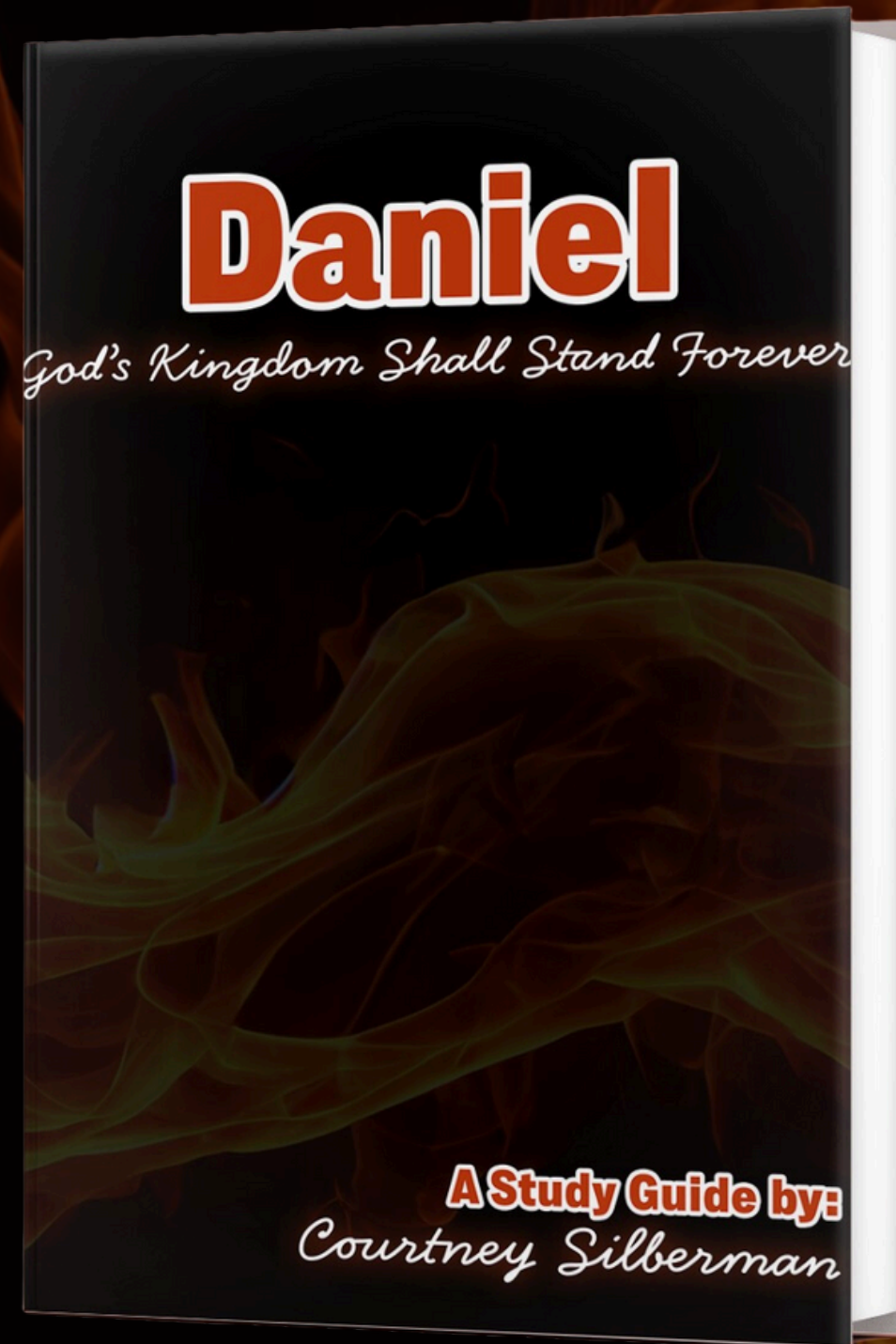
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