



Daniel 3:1-30 – Faith and Fire

Small Group Questions

Pray for God's help as you turn to look at His word, to understand and respond rightly to what you'll see.

Read through the passage and then discuss these questions together.

1. In vv1-12 Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego face a direct challenge to their faith. What is that challenge and what is the key issue at stake?
2. Peter describes Christians as exiles in the world (1 Peter 1:1). What kind of direct challenges to our faith do Christians face in our culture today? These challenges might be obvious or more discreet and subtle. In what circumstances do you personally face such challenges?
3. Look at the response of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in vv13-18. What is striking to you about their response? What does it reveal about their faith and confidence in God?
4. Taking a bold stand for God can be costly in terms of the consequences we face. When we do so, what can we expect from God?
5. Consider the reaction of Nebuchadnezzar in vv28-29. When we take a bold stand for God, in what different ways might he use our witness to advance his kingdom?
6. As Christians whose lives are being shaped by the gospel of Jesus, what will prove to be the only sufficient motivation for us to remain 'True to God' when our faithfulness to him is challenged and tested?
7. In what ways can we encourage and strengthen each other to be 'True to God' when under pressure?

Respond to God's word in prayer

Share any answers to prayer you've seen since you last met

Take some time to pray for each other