Daniel 6

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INTRODUCTION

- In Daniel chapter 6, we are in the days after the Medes and the Persians have conquered the Babylonians.
- Daniel 5 tells us the day the Babylonian kingdom fell.

1 No Corruption, No Negligence in Daniel

Daniel 6:4–5

- Daniel is excelling so in his work that the king wants to appoint him over all the commissioners.
- They're trying to find something of which to accuse Daniel. And the Bible tells us they could find no ground of accusation.
- If we're going to make an accusation against Daniel, it is going to have to be about the law of his God.

2 Daniel Not Deterred From Praying

Daniel 6:10–11; Matthew 6:5–6

- He had his windows open toward Jerusalem. And he continued kneeling on his knees three times a day, praising and giving thanks before his God as he had been doing previously.
- In a culture where we would be praised, we do not pray in order to be seen by men.
- I am impressed by the fact that Daniel is not deterred by the law and not deterred by the penalty of the law from seeking his God and praying.
- His enemies knew from the beginning that he would do that.

3 The King Is Distressed and Cannot Deliver Daniel

Daniel 6:14; Daniel 3:15; Daniel 6:18

- Here, the king of Persia is distressed at this news. He is distressed, and he sets his mind and heart on delivering Daniel.
- The king cannot deliver Daniel from the law he has made.
- This king says, Your God, whom you constantly serve, will himself deliver you.
- My God sent his angel and shut the lion's mouth, and they have not harmed me, because I was found innocent toward you.

4 The Focus Is on the God Daniel Serves

Hebrews 11:32

- God, the God of Daniel, is a God before whom men should fear and tremble. He's a living God.
- The focus of this chapter is on the God that Daniel serves. The same God that you serve today, the same God that I serve.
- But God can do what the most powerful mortal on earth cannot do.

- No God is like this God.

5 Envied, Accused and Arrested at the Place of Prayer

Matthew 27:18; Luke 20:20; John 18

- Just as Daniel's foes were motivated by envy, so Jesus' foes were motivated by envy.
- Just as Daniel was arrested at the place of prayer, so Jesus was arrested at the place of prayer as well.
- Should we not stand in awe of Jesus, God's son.
- Darius is seeking to deliver Daniel from the decree that he himself has made. And in the gospel accounts, Pilate is diligently trying to find a way to rescue Jesus.

6 The Stone, the Seal, and the Victim Is Alive

Acts 2:24; John 20; Colossians 2:14–15

- Just as there it was, a stone placed upon the lion's den. There was a stone placed upon the tomb of Jesus.
- Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but he is risen. The victim is alive. Our God has delivered.
- It was impossible for death to hold him in his power.
- You could look at the body of Jesus and still see the injuries and still see the scars and know that the one who was crucified has been raised from the dead.
- As powerful as Daniel 6 is, that those events foreshadow a greater event in the death and resurrection of Jesus.

MY NOTES