

MESSAGE: NATHAN BAIRD MUSIC: SHAWN HOELSCH DATE: AUGUST 7, 2022

Review & Use: Daniel 1 - 6

#### Knowing Whom we serve, resolve to be ...

- 1. ...CONFIDENT *not* intimidated (Our God Reigns Supreme)
  - He rules over the affairs of human governments
     Dan. 2:21 "He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings;"
  - He has ultimate power over life and death

    Dan. 3:28 "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his angel and delivered his servants, who trusted in him..."

**Dan. 6:26** The God of Daniel... is the living God, enduring forever; his kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion shall be to the end. **27** He delivers and rescues...

### Application:

## 2. ...HOLY not isolated (Our God is matchless)

**Dan. 1: 17** ...God gave them learning and skill in all literature and wisdom... ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters ..."

**Dan. 2:47** "Truly, your God is God of gods and Lord of kings, and a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery."

Dan. 3:29 "... there is no other god who is able to rescue in this way."

**Dan. 4:35**...none can stay his hand or say to him, "What have you done?"

### Application:

# 3. ...CALM not anxious (Our God guides history for our good)

**Dan. 6:10** When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.

## **Application:**

### 4. ... EXPECTANT not passive (Our God responds to his people.)

**Dan. 2:17** Then Daniel went to his house and made the matter known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions, **18** and told them to seek mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery, so that Daniel and his companions might not be destroyed with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. **19** Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a vision of the night.

**Application:** 

## 5. ...SETTLED *not* combative (Our God personally rescues us.)

**Dan. 3:17** If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. **18** But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up."

Application:

## 6. ...HOPEFUL not cynical (Our God is faithful to his people.)

**Dan. 6:20b** ... The king declared to Daniel, "O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?" **21** Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! **22** My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him..."

**Application:** 

SONGS

"EVERLASTING GOD" - Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

"FOUND IN YOU" - Paul Baloche and Andi Rozier

"GOOD, GOOD FATHER" - Chris Tomlin, Pat Barrett

**BUDGET** 

GIVING LAST WEEK: WEEKLY NEED:

\$ 40,418.24 \$ 36,093.00

Y-T-D GIVING: Y-T-D GENERAL NEED: \$1,029,686.49 \$1,118,883.00

"O PRAISE THE NAME (ANASTASIS)" - Dean Ussher, Marty Sampson, and Benjamin Hastings