

Fellowship and Prayer



MEMORY VERSE: Daniel prayed three times a day, just as he had always done, giving thanks to his God.
Daniel 6:10b



DANIEL 6:6-11 A Trap is Set

1. What law did the men want King Darius to make? Why did they want the king to make this law?
2. What did Daniel do? Why do you think Daniel disobeyed that law?
3. What 2 things did Daniel pray about? vv. 10-11
4. Do you have any good habits like Daniel? What habit would you like to have?



DANIEL 6:12-18 A Den of Lions

5. How did King Darius feel when he realized he was trapped? How did he feel about Daniel?
6. What do you think of the men who were supposed to give King Darius good advice?
How can you know if someone is giving you good advice or bad advice?

7. Daniel did not try to defend himself or argue. He trusted God.
How do you think Daniel learned to trust God so much?



DANIEL 6:19-23 God Protects Daniel

8. Imagine how the king felt when he saw the lion's den the next morning. Write about it or draw a picture of what the king's face might have looked like when he realized Daniel was alive.

9. What did Daniel tell the king about God? How did King Darius respond?

10. How did God bring good out of this terrible situation for:
Himself?

Daniel?

King Darius?

BELIEVE THE TRUTH

What an awesome privilege it is to be able to talk to God in prayer. Even though we do not see God with our eyes, He is always with us and He always hears us. Sometimes we have to choose to please God instead of people, and this can make them disappointed or even angry. But the Holy Spirit helps us do the right thing in the right way when we ask.

PRAY THE TRUTH

Lord God, thank you that I can talk to You any time, whether I am happy, sad, lonely, confused or scared. Help me form a habit of prayer like Daniel so I too can have great trust in You. Help me remember that You are with me and want to spend time with me no matter what. I love You. Amen.

WALK IN TRUTH



When do you talk to God?

Where do you enjoy talking to Him the most?

Are you becoming good friends with Him in prayer?

Daniel 6:6-23

Some wicked men who did not like Daniel wanted to get him in trouble with the King, so they tricked the king into making a new law.

Daniel 6:6-11

6 So the administrators and high officers went to the king and said, “Long live King Darius! 7 We are all in agreement — we administrators, officials, high officers, advisers, and governors — that the king should make a law that will be strictly enforced. Give orders that for the next thirty days any person who prays to anyone, divine or human — except to you, Your Majesty — will be thrown into the den of lions. 8 And now, Your Majesty, issue and sign this law so it cannot be changed, an official law of the Medes and Persians that cannot be revoked.” 9 So King Darius signed the law.

10 But when Daniel learned that the law had been signed, he went home and knelt down as usual in his upstairs room, with its windows open toward Jerusalem. He prayed three times a day, just as he had always done, giving thanks to his God. 11 Then the officials went together to Daniel's house and found him praying and asking for God's help.

Daniel 6:12-18

12 So they went straight to the king and reminded him about his law. “Did you not sign a law that for the next thirty days any person who prays to anyone, divine or human — except to you, Your Majesty — will be thrown into the den of lions?”

“Yes,” the king replied, “that decision stands; it is an official law of the Medes and Persians that cannot be revoked.”

13 Then they told the king, “That man Daniel, one of the captives from Judah, is ignoring you and your law. He still prays to his God three times a day.”

14 Hearing this, the king was deeply troubled, and he tried to think of a way to save Daniel. He spent the rest of the day looking for a way to get Daniel out of this predicament.

15 In the evening the men went together to the king and said, “Your Majesty, you know that according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, no law that the king signs can be changed.”

16 So at last the king gave orders for Daniel to be arrested and thrown into the den of lions. The king said to him, “May your God, whom you serve so faithfully, rescue you.”

17 A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den. The king sealed the stone with his own royal seal and the seals of his nobles, so that no one could rescue Daniel. 18 Then the king returned to his palace and spent the night fasting. He refused his usual entertainment and couldn't sleep at all that night.

Daniel 6:19-23

19 Very early the next morning, the king got up and hurried out to the lions' den. 20 When he got there, he called out in anguish, “Daniel, servant of the living God! Was your God, whom you serve so faithfully, able to rescue you from the lions?”

21 Daniel answered, “Long live the king! 22 My God sent his angel to shut the lions' mouths so that they would not hurt me, for I have been found innocent in his sight. And I have not wronged you, Your Majesty.”

23 The king was overjoyed and ordered that Daniel be lifted from the den. Not a scratch was found on him, for he had trusted in his God.

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