



## “CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: DOING WHO I AM”

Also I heard the voice of the Lord saying: “Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.” Isaiah 6:8

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TEXT: DANIEL 6:1-28

TITLE: IF GOD BRINGS YOU TO IT, GOD WILL BRING YOU THROUGH IT

### INTRODUCTION

- A. I have never had to face a lion \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Any former paperboys/papergirls? Remember the dogs? \_\_\_\_\_
- C. However, sometimes I am called to: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Speak on \_\_\_\_\_

### FROM SERVANT TO SUPERVISOR

- A. Daniel came to Babylon as a servant \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Darius divided the kingdom into 120 provinces and set a ruler over each one \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Darius also appointed three governors over the rulers and Daniel was one of them \_\_\_\_\_
- D. As Daniel distinguished himself above everyone else, the king planned to place him over the entire kingdom \_\_\_\_\_

### DANIEL’S ENEMIES HAD FAITH IN HIS FAITH

- A. They sought to find fault in his administration – and found none \_\_\_\_\_
- B. “We will use his intimate relationship with God against him” \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Sometimes we hide our relationship with God so we blend in
  - 2. Rather, we should highlight our relationship with God so we stand out
  - 3. “Why fit in when you were born to stand out” Dr. Seuss
- C. They had faith in Daniel’s faith \_\_\_\_\_
- D. What would Daniel do? \_\_\_\_\_
- E. What would you do? \_\_\_\_\_
- F. What did Daniel do? \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Daniel went home
  - 2. Daniel went into his upper room, with his windows opened towards Jerusalem
  - 3. Daniel knelt on his knees and prayed 3 times a day – just as he had always done
- G. What will you do? \_\_\_\_\_

### THE KING HAD FAITH IN DANIEL’S FAITH

- A. King to Daniel, “Your God, whom you serve continually, He will save you” \_\_\_\_\_
- B. King (next morning), “Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?”
- C. Daniel,
  - 1. My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths so that they would not hurt me
  - 2. because I was found blameless before him
  - 3. also before you, O king, I have done no wrong

**CONCLUSION: I Can Honor My Secular Commitments Without Compromising My Commitment To God**