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Stories



SHADRACH, MESHACH
& ABEDNEGO



I. LET'S TELL THE
STORY OF
SHADRACH,
MESHACH AND
ABEDNEGO

³ THEN THE KING ORDERED ASHPENAZ,
HIS CHIEF OF STAFF, TO BRING TO THE
PALACE SOME OF THE YOUNG MEN OF
JUDAH'S ROYAL FAMILY AND OTHER NOBLE
FAMILIES, WHO HAD BEEN BROUGHT TO



DANIEL 1:3-4 NLT

BABYLON AS CAPTIVES. ⁴ “SELECT ONLY STRONG, HEALTHY, AND GOOD-LOOKING YOUNG MEN,” HE SAID. “MAKE SURE THEY ARE WELL VERSED IN EVERY BRANCH OF LEARNING, ARE GIFTED WITH KNOWLEDGE AND GOOD JUDGMENT, AND ARE SUITED TO SERVE IN THE ROYAL PALACE.”



DANIEL 1:3-4 NLT

¹ KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR
MADE A GOLD STATUE
NINETY FEET TALL AND
NINE FEET WIDE AND SET
IT UP ON THE PLAIN OF
DURA IN THE PROVINCE
OF BABYLON.

DANIEL 3:1



⁴ THEN A HERALD SHOUTED OUT, "PEOPLE OF ALL RACES AND NATIONS AND LANGUAGES, LISTEN TO THE KING'S COMMAND!" ⁵ WHEN YOU HEAR THE SOUND OF THE HORN, FLUTE, ZITHER, LYRE, HARP, PIPES, AND OTHER MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, BOW TO THE GROUND TO WORSHIP KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S GOLD STATUE.

DANIEL 3:4-7 NLT



⁶ ANYONE WHO REFUSES TO OBEY WILL IMMEDIATELY BE THROWN INTO A BLAZING FURNACE.” ⁷ SO AT THE SOUND OF THE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ALL THE PEOPLE, WHATEVER THEIR RACE OR NATION OR LANGUAGE, BOWED TO THE GROUND AND WORSHIPED THE GOLD STATUE THAT KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR HAD SET UP.

DANIEL
3:4-7 NLT



⁸ BUT SOME OF THE ASTROLOGERS WENT TO THE KING AND INFORMED ON THE JEWS.

¹² “BUT THERE ARE SOME JEWS—SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO—WHOM YOU HAVE PUT IN CHARGE OF THE PROVINCE OF BABYLON. THEY PAY NO ATTENTION TO YOU, YOUR MAJESTY. THEY REFUSE TO SERVE YOUR GODS AND DO NOT WORSHIP THE GOLD STATUE YOU HAVE SET UP.”

DANIEL 3:8, 12 NLT



¹³ THEN NEBUCHADNEZZAR FLEW INTO A RAGE
AND ORDERED THAT SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND
ABEDNEGO BE BROUGHT BEFORE HIM. WHEN THEY
WERE BROUGHT IN, ¹⁴ NEBUCHADNEZZAR

SAID TO THEM, "IS IT TRUE,
SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND

DANIEL 3:13-18 NLT



ABEDNEGO, THAT YOU REFUSE TO SERVE MY
GODS OR TO WORSHIP THE GOLD STATUE I HAVE
SET UP? ¹⁵ I WILL GIVE YOU ONE MORE CHANCE
TO BOW DOWN AND WORSHIP THE STATUE I HAVE

MADE WHEN YOU HEAR THE
SOUND OF THE MUSICAL
INSTRUMENTS.

DANIEL 3:13-18 NLT



BUT IF YOU REFUSE, YOU WILL BE THROWN
IMMEDIATELY INTO THE BLAZING FURNACE. AND

THEN WHAT GOD WILL BE
ABLE TO RESCUE YOU FROM
MY POWER?"



DANIEL 3:13-18 NLT

¹⁶ SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO REPLIED,
“O NEBUCHADNEZZAR, WE DO NOT NEED TO DEFEND
OURSELVES BEFORE YOU. ¹⁷ IF WE ARE THROWN
INTO THE BLAZING FURNACE, THE GOD WHOM WE
SERVE IS ABLE TO SAVE US. HE WILL RESCUE US
FROM YOUR POWER, YOUR MAJESTY.

DANIEL 3:13-18 NLT



¹⁸ BUT EVEN IF HE DOESN'T, WE WANT TO
MAKE IT CLEAR TO YOU, YOUR MAJESTY,
THAT WE WILL NEVER SERVE YOUR GODS OR
WORSHIP THE GOLD STATUE YOU HAVE SET UP."

DANIEL 3:13-18 NLT



¹⁹ NEBUCHADNEZZAR WAS SO FURIOUS WITH SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO THAT HIS FACE BECAME DISTORTED WITH RAGE. HE COMMANDED THAT THE FURNACE BE HEATED SEVEN TIMES HOTTER THAN USUAL. ²⁰ THEN HE



DANIEL 3:19-23 NLT

ORDERED SOME OF THE STRONGEST MEN OF HIS ARMY TO BIND SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO AND THROW THEM INTO THE BLAZING FURNACE. ²¹ SO THEY TIED THEM UP AND THREW THEM INTO THE FURNACE, FULLY DRESSED IN THEIR PANTS, TURBANS, ROBES, AND OTHER GARMENTS.



DANIEL 3:19-23 NLT

22 AND BECAUSE THE KING,
IN HIS ANGER, HAD
DEMANDED SUCH A HOT
FIRE IN THE FURNACE, THE
FLAMES KILLED THE
SOLDIERS AS THEY
THREW THE THREE
MEN IN. 23 SO
SHADRACH, MESHACH,
AND ABEDNEGO, SECURELY
TIED, FELL INTO THE
ROARING FLAMES.



DANIEL 3:19-23 NLT

24 THEN KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR LEAPED TO HIS FEET IN AMAZEMENT AND ASKED HIS ADVISERS, "WEREN'T THERE THREE MEN THAT WE TIED UP AND THREW INTO THE FIRE?"

THEY REPLIED, "CERTAINLY, YOUR MAJESTY."

DANIEL 3:24-26 NIV



²⁵ HE SAID, "LOOK! I SEE FOUR MEN WALKING AROUND IN THE FIRE, UNBOUND AND UNHARMED, AND THE FOURTH LOOKS LIKE A SON OF THE GODS."

DANIEL 3:24-26 NIV



26 NEBUCHADNEZZAR THEN APPROACHED THE
OPENING OF THE BLAZING FURNACE AND
SHOUTED, "SHADRACH, MESHACH AND
ABEDNEGO, SERVANTS OF THE MOST HIGH GOD,
COME OUT! COME HERE!"

SO SHADRACH,
MESHACH AND
ABEDNEGO CAME OUT
OF THE FIRE.



DANIEL
3:24-26
NIV

IT IS EASIER TO STAND FOR GOD IN
ISRAEL, BUT IN A LOT OF WAYS WE
DON'T LIVE IN ISRAEL ANYMORE.
GOD HAS CALLED US TO ALSO
STAND FOR HIM
IN BABYLON.





II. WHAT MUST WE
DO TO STAND FOR
GOD IN BABYLON?

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FOR GOD IN BABYLON?

**FIGHT AGAINST
THE PRESSURE
TO COMPROMISE**



¹⁴ NEBUCHADNEZZAR SAID TO THEM, "IS IT TRUE, SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, THAT YOU REFUSE TO SERVE MY GODS OR TO WORSHIP THE GOLD STATUE I HAVE SET UP?"

DANIEL 3:14-15 NLT



¹⁵ I WILL GIVE YOU ONE MORE CHANCE TO BOW
DOWN AND WORSHIP THE STATUE I HAVE MADE
WHEN YOU HEAR THE SOUND OF THE MUSICAL
INSTRUMENTS.”

DANIEL 3:14-15 NLT



WHAT MUST WE DO TO STAND
FOR GOD IN BABYLON?



CHOOSE WHICH
KING'S COMMAND
YOU WILL FOLLOW.



“WE WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR TO YOU, YOUR
MAJESTY, THAT WE WILL NEVER SERVE YOUR GODS
OR WORSHIP THE GOLD STATUE YOU HAVE SET UP.”

DANIEL 3:18B NLT



WHAT MUST WE DO TO STAND
FOR GOD IN BABYLON?

CHOOSE TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT
EVEN IF GOD DOESN'T DO WHAT
YOU EXPECT OR
HOPE HIM TO DO.



¹⁷ “IF WE ARE THROWN INTO THE BLAZING FURNACE, THE GOD WHOM WE SERVE IS ABLE TO SAVE US. HE WILL RESCUE US FROM YOUR POWER, YOUR MAJESTY.

DANIEL 3:17-18



¹⁸ BUT EVEN IF HE DOESN'T, WE WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR TO YOU, YOUR MAJESTY, THAT WE WILL NEVER SERVE YOUR GODS OR WORSHIP THE GOLD STATUE YOU HAVE SET UP."

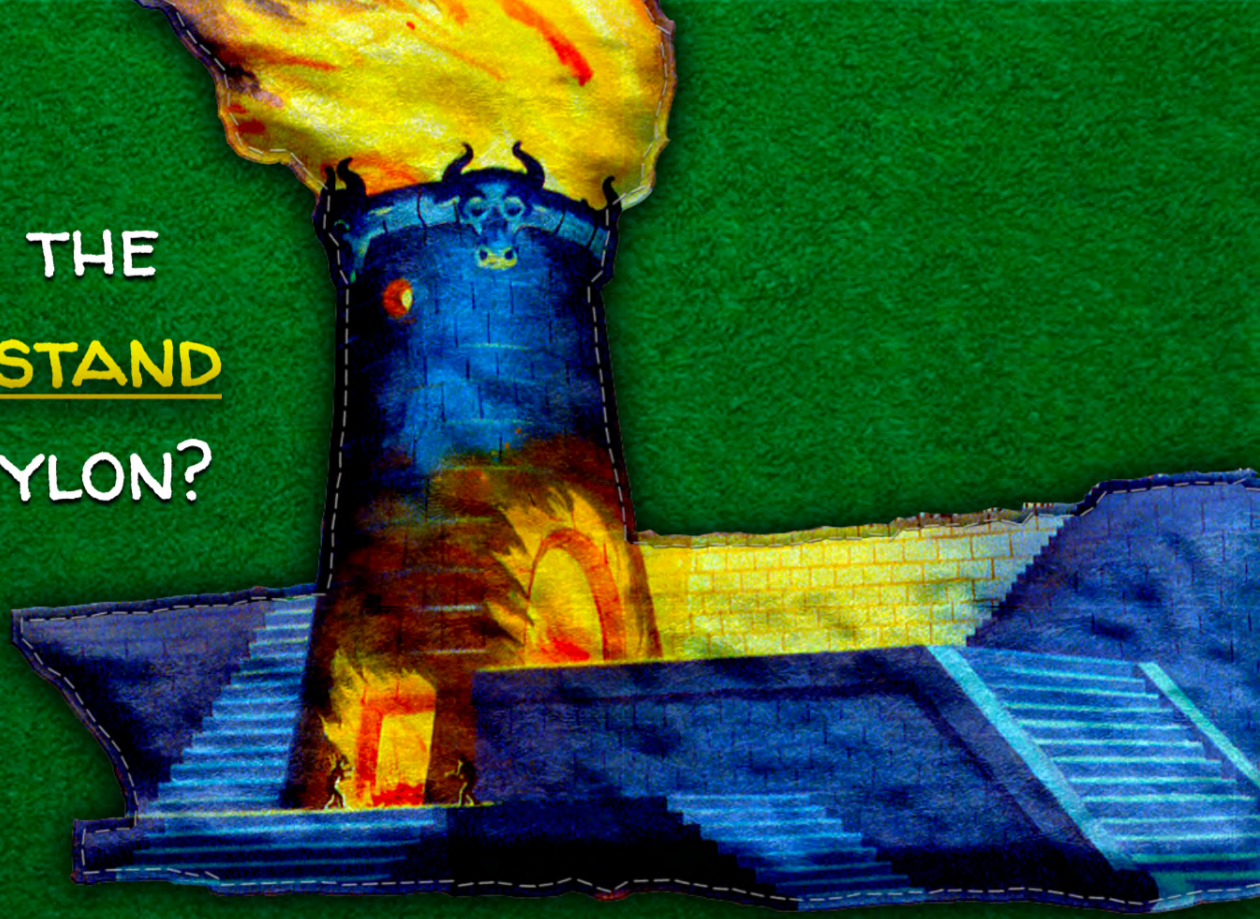
DANIEL 3:17-18





**III. WHAT WILL BE THE
RESULT OF OUR
STAND FOR GOD IN
BABYLON?**

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RESULT OF OUR STAND
FOR GOD IN BABYLON?



**AT TIMES, THE INITIAL RESULT
OF OUR STAND FOR GOD WILL
BE A TRIP TO THE FURNACE.**

20 THEN HE ORDERED SOME OF THE STRONGEST MEN OF HIS ARMY TO BIND SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO AND THROW THEM INTO THE BLAZING FURNACE.

DANIEL 3:20 NLT



WHAT WILL BE THE RESULT OF
OUR STAND FOR GOD IN BABYLON?

**EVEN IN THE MIDST OF
THE FURNACE WE CAN BE
ASSURED OF THESE THINGS;**

GOD STANDS WITH US IN THE FURNACE.

25 HE SAID, "LOOK! I SEE
FOUR MEN WALKING
AROUND IN THE FIRE,
UNBOUND AND
UNHARMED, AND THE
FOURTH LOOKS LIKE A
SON OF THE GODS."

DANIEL 3:25 NIV



WHAT WILL BE THE RESULT OF
OUR STAND FOR GOD IN BABYLON?

**EVEN IN THE MIDST OF
THE FURNACE WE CAN BE
ASSURED OF THESE THINGS;**

GOD BRINGS US FREEDOM IN THE FURNACE.

25 HE SAID, "LOOK! I SEE
FOUR MEN WALKING
AROUND IN THE FIRE,
UNBOUND AND
UNHARMED, AND THE
FOURTH LOOKS LIKE A
SON OF THE GODS."

DANIEL 3:25 NIV



WHAT WILL BE THE RESULT OF
OUR STAND FOR GOD IN BABYLON?

**EVEN IN THE MIDST OF
THE FURNACE WE CAN BE
ASSURED OF THESE THINGS;**

GOD'S POWER AND PROTECTION IS SHOWN TO
THE WORLD IN THE FURNACE.

28 THEN NEBUCHADNEZZAR SAID, "PRAISE TO THE GOD OF SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO! HE SENT HIS ANGEL TO RESCUE HIS SERVANTS WHO TRUSTED IN HIM. THEY DEFIED THE KING'S COMMAND AND WERE WILLING TO DIE RATHER THAN SERVE OR WORSHIP ANY GOD EXCEPT THEIR OWN GOD.

DANIEL 3:28-29 NLT



²⁹ THEREFORE, I MAKE THIS DECREE: IF ANY PEOPLE, WHATEVER THEIR RACE OR NATION OR LANGUAGE, SPEAK A WORD AGAINST THE GOD OF SHADRACH, MESHACH, AND ABEDNEGO, THEY WILL BE TORN LIMB FROM LIMB, AND THEIR HOUSES WILL BE TURNED INTO HEAPS OF RUBBLE. THERE IS NO OTHER GOD WHO CAN RESCUE LIKE THIS!”

DANIEL 3:28-29 NLT

