

Series: The Stand

Message: The Safest Place To Be In Babylon

Scripture: Daniel 6 (NASB)

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Daniel 6:1

¹ It seemed good to Darius to appoint 120 satraps over the kingdom, that they would be in charge of the whole kingdom,

Daniel 6:3

³ Then this Daniel began distinguishing himself among the commissioners and satraps because he possessed an extraordinary spirit, and the king planned to appoint him over the entire kingdom.

Daniel 6:5

⁵ Then these men said, "We will not find any ground of accusation against this Daniel unless we find it against him with regard to the law of his God."

Daniel 6:10-11

¹⁰ Now when Daniel knew that the document was signed, he entered his house (now in his roof chamber he had windows open toward Jerusalem); and he continued kneeling on his knees three times a day, praying and giving thanks before his God, as he had been doing previously.

¹¹ Then these men came by agreement and found Daniel making petition and supplication before his God.

Daniel 6:14

¹⁴ Then, as soon as the king heard this statement, he was deeply distressed and set his mind on delivering Daniel; and even until sunset he kept exerting himself to rescue him.

Daniel 6:16

¹⁶ Then the king gave orders, and Daniel was brought in and cast into the lions' den. The king spoke and said to Daniel, "Your God whom you constantly serve will Himself deliver you."

Daniel 6:20

²⁰ When he had come near the den to Daniel, he cried out with a troubled voice. The king spoke and said to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you constantly serve, been able to deliver you from the lions?"

Daniel 6:21-23

²¹ Then Daniel spoke to the king, "O king, live forever!"

²² "My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths and they have not harmed me, inasmuch as I was found innocent before Him; and also toward you, O king, I have committed no crime."

²³ Then the king was very pleased and gave orders for Daniel to be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den and no injury whatever was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

Daniel 6:25-27

²⁵ Then Darius the king wrote to all the peoples, nations and men of every language who were living in all the land: "May your peace abound!"

²⁶ "I make a decree that in all the dominion of my kingdom men are to fear and tremble before the God of Daniel; For He is the living God and enduring forever, And His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed, And His dominion will be forever.

²⁷ "He delivers and rescues and performs signs and wonders in heaven and on earth, Who has also delivered Daniel from the power of the lions."

Daniel 6:28

²⁸ So this Daniel enjoyed success in the reign of Darius and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

Romans 12:1-2

¹ Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

1. "In God's Will" Is Often An Unpopular Place To Be.

2. "In God's Will" Is Often A Painful Place To Be.

Romans 8:18

¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

3. "In God's Will" Is Always The Safest Place To Be.

- 1) Because Every Creature On Earth (Even Lions) Is Subject To The Sovereign Control Of God.

- 2) Because Babylon's Greatest Conspiracies Can Not Thwart The Sovereign Plan Of God.

- 3) Because Those "In God's Will" Will Always Be Protected And Ultimately Rewarded.