

WE WILL NOT SERVE YOUR GODS

Daniel 3:1-30

Key verses: 17-18

1. Describe the image King Nebuchadnezzar made. (1) Why would he do this? (2:37,38) Describe the impressive dedication ceremony of the image. (2-3) What were all the people commanded to do? (4-7) What does it show about the dangers of pride?
2. What was the report of certain astrologers? (8-12) Why could God's people—including Daniel's three friends— not obey the king's command? (Ex 20:3) How did King Nebuchadnezzar react? (13-15) How did Daniel's three friends respond? (16-18) What did they believe about God? (Ro 8:31) What does verse 18 show about their faithfulness?
3. Why and how did Nebuchadnezzar's attitude toward the three change? (19a) What did he order? (19b-23) What did Nebuchadnezzar see? (24-26a) When he called the three friends to come out, what shocked him and his officials? (26b-27)
4. What was King Nebuchadnezzar's confession? (28) His proclamation? (29) Why didn't he acknowledge God as his personal God? What is the difference between worldly men who love themselves and men who love God? What difference did this make for other Jews?