

Sunday, 02-18-2024

2023-2024 Winter Quarter
Unit III: The Righteous Live by Faith

Lesson 12: Faith in Times of Trouble

Bible Background: Daniel 6:1-28

Printed Text: Daniel 6:10-11, 14, 16, 19-23, 26-27 KJV/NIV

Devotional Reading: Matthew 8:18-27

Prayer: *Loving God, our prayer is that You would give us the strength to see it through when it is our time to be tested in the most severe and confining ways. Please help us to hold on and never lose trust in You. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen*

Exposition and Application of the Scripture: – Faith in Times of Trouble – Daniel 6:10-11, 14, 16, 19-23, 26-27

A. The Prayer Life of the Faithful (vv. 10-11) – pp. 226-227

- How often do I pray? What direction do I face? – **1 Kings 8:35-36; Psalm 5:1-8; 28:1-4; 55:14-19; 121:1-8**
- How do non-believers view me as a disciple of Jesus? – **Job 36:10-15**
- Am I quick to fall into traps that may compromise my walk with Jesus? – **Matthew 4:1-11**
- Do I have enough faith to stand firm when I know it'll bring suffering? – **Daniel 3:17-18**

B. Caught in the Act of Trusting God (vv. 14, 16) – pp. 227-228

- How often do I make a decision that I later regret? – **Mon: Fear God, Not Pharaoh – Exodus 1:8-21; Matthew 14:1-12**
- What do I do to not make hasty decisions? – **Proverbs 3:5-13; 29:15-23**
- What's the worst someone can say about me? – **Sat: Unfazed by a Blasphemous Law – Daniel 6:1-15 (Bible Background/Printed Text)**
- Is my prayer life and fidelity to the Lord evident? – **Luke 10:38-42**
- How confident am I in my deliverance?

C. The Deliverance of Daniel (vv. 19-23) – p. 228

- How often do I question God? – **Wed: Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled – John 14:1-11**
- Does my trust in the Lord exemplify my faith? – **Fri: God Cares for the Flock – 1 Peter 5**
- How does/has God protect(ed) me in times of trouble? – **1 Peter 4:14-19**
- Has the Father found innocence in me?

D. King Darius Responds to the Kings of Kings (vv. 26-27) – p. 228

- Do I recognize/honor God, but not committed in serving Him? – **Tue: Why Are You Afraid? – Matthew 8:18-27 (Devotional Reading)**
- How do I acknowledge our living God and His power?
- How often do I tremble/fear God? – **Thu: Earthly and Heavenly Authority – John 19:1-11**