

GROWTH GUIDE

For you. Your family. Your group.

DANIEL: SHINING IN THE DARKNESS
COURAGE IN THE FIRE | DANIEL 3
FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 29, 2022

SERMON OUTLINE

1. Confession of God's kingship requires our obedience. Daniel 3:1-12
2. Conviction of God's character establishes our confidence. Daniel 3:13-18
3. Consistency of God's presence produces our courage. Daniel 3:19-30

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Looking back at the passage and your notes, what was something that you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged you, or you have questions about?
2. What can we learn from Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in Daniel 3:16-18 about conviction and the source of our confidence? How should that inform how we pray?
3. Oftentimes God answers our prayers with a “no” or a “not yet”. What helps you when God isn't willing? Especially when you don't understand why. How can you help others walking through a season of waiting?
4. How would you define worship? What is worship besides this physical bowing down? What role do feelings play? Desires? Think of both idol worship and worshipping the one true God beyond singing on Sunday mornings.
5. In sharing that Tim Keller quote, Pastor Dave reminded us that when we can't forgive ourselves, we're actually saying “my thoughts about me are more important than God's”. What other very subtle ways can we take the place of God in our own lives?

BREAKOUT DISCUSSION

1. Where have you allowed compromise to slip in? Where do you need greater obedience in your life?
2. Are you facing a courageous decision in your life coming up? If so, what is it? Do you feel confident and ready to make the right choice?

PRAYER POINTS

1. Praise God that Jesus meets us in the fire.
2. Pray that when those fires come, you would have confidence that God is able, even if He chooses not to.
3. Ask God for boldness to share and encourage others to have a personal relationship with Jesus.