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Daniel 6:1-28

“God Delivers”

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

1. Daniel was around 80, when he faced the greatest test of his faithfulness – the lion’s den. What does Daniel’s example teach us about living a long life of faithfulness unto the Lord?
 - a. How does this passage encourage older saints in our body in the trials they are currently facing?
 - b. What can followers of Christ do as they strive to finish this life well?
2. When the edict against God’s law was signed, Daniel’s first response was prayer (v. 10). Daniel did not have a “crisis faith,” but a life of constant communion with God. Why is it important to cultivate an ongoing relationship with the Lord each day?
 - a. What is the danger of only turning to the Lord during times of hardship?
 - b. What are some of the things that drive us away from our daily practices? How can we overcome these challenges?
3. Daniel made use of aids and daily discipline to cultivate a lifestyle of prayer. What is the value of having a discipline of prayer?
 - a. What are some of the problems that arise in praying only when we feel like it? How does a discipline of prayer help us avoid these pitfalls?
 - b. What are some aids and practical helps that you can use to cultivate a rich and consistent prayer life?
4. In verses 21-22, we see that Daniel was delivered not because of his perfection, but because of his trust in God and faithfulness to Him. How does this encounter point us to the gospel and our response to the Lord?
 - a. How does our initial trust in the gospel give us the pattern for an ongoing life of faithfulness unto the Lord?
5. Darius’ declaration in verses 25-27 show that this passage is ultimately about God. What are the elements of God’s character we can reflect on from Darius’ decree?
 - a. How do these traits encourage us as we continue trusting in Daniel’s God?
6. In Daniel 6, we see many types and shadows of the ultimate devoted servant, Jesus Christ. What are some of the ways Daniel’s encounter with the lion’s den point us to Jesus?