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DANIEL DARED DEFEY THE DEVIL

Daniel 1:1-6

*Courage in a trying time*

world.

**INT:** All times are "trying" times for godly people in sinful/ Relentless battle rages between good and evil. Eph. 6:11-13. World always short on leaders for God's forces. Demands much. Church today needs more leaders like Daniel. Our study.

- Good*  
**I. DANIEL WAS A YOUNG MAN OF GREAT SELF-CONTROL.** Chapter 1. **CRISIS!**  
 606 A. Exiled to Babylon with idolatrous adults at 15. 1:1-7. A  
 B. Refused the king's meat and wine in kindly way. 8-16. B  
 (Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah) Hebrew names.  
 C. God gave these men knowledge, wisdom, skill & learning. 17. C  
 D. The king found them 10 times better than others. 20. D
- Dream*  
**II. DANIEL RELIED HEAVILY ON GOD'S PROVIDENCE.** Chapter 2. **CRISIS!**  
 A. Nebuchadnezzar had strange dream & forgot it. 31-35.  
 B. Sorcerers, seers, soothsayers, astrologers and magicians could not reveal the phantom dream. 10-11.  
 C. Angry king ordered death of all wisemen in kingdom which included Daniel and his friends. 12-13.  
 D. Daniel asked for time and went to God. 14-23. V. 16.  
 E. Dream interpreted and God given the credit. 27-45.  
 F. King elevates Daniel and 3 friends to high places. 46-49. F
- Image*  
**III. DANIEL'S GREAT INFLUENCE UPON HIS THREE FRIENDS.** Chapter 3. **CRISIS!**  
 A. Nebuchadnezzar made golden image and ordered all to worship it. 1-7. F  
 B. Daniel's friends refuse; cast into furnace. 8-25. G  
 (Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego) Chaldee names.  
 C. King makes Jehovah the State God and elevates these men to rule over the province. 26-30.  
 D. Kingdom shortly changed hands, with Darius, the Mede, H defeating Nebuchadnezzar's son, Belshazzar in battle.
- Lion*  
**IV. DANIEL SHOWED UNDAUNTED COURAGE IN FACE OF CERTAIN DEATH.** 6. **CRISIS!** 5:30-31. 6.  
 A. Daniel made first-president of three in Median kingdom under Darius. 1-2.  
 B. Jealous fellow-rulers sought to take first place by downing Daniel through trickery. 4-9.  
 C. Daniel let nothing alter his worship to God. 10-15. I  
 D. He bravely entered his tomb of vindication; He believed in God! 16-23. J  
 E. Evil men and their families thrown to the lions. 24.

**INV:** DANIEL'S STORY SIMILAR TO JOSEPH'S. Many dark hours. Victori! Takes faith and courage to be real Christian too. B-RCB! Takes just as much courage to remain one! R-P. *Assessment*

Real men not afraid to B-RCB-B  
R-P