



## FACING THE FURNACE



Daniel 3:12 (NKJV) <sup>12</sup> *There are certain Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego; these men, O king, have not paid due regard to you. **They do not serve your gods or worship the gold image which you have set up.***

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Daniel 3:13 (NKJV) <sup>13</sup> *Then Nebuchadnezzar, **in rage and fury**, gave the command to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. So they brought these men before the king.*

## FAITH RESPONSE



Daniel 3:15 (NKJV) <sup>15</sup> *Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound ..., and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, good! **But if you do not worship**, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. **And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?***

## FAITH RESPONSE



Daniel 3:16–18 (NKJV) <sup>16</sup> *Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. <sup>17</sup> If that is the case, **our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king.***

## FAITH RESPONSE



<sup>18</sup> ***But if not**, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up.”*

## FAITH RESPONSE



Proverbs 29:25 (NKJV) <sup>25</sup> *The fear of man brings a snare, **But whoever trusts in the LORD shall be safe.***

## SETUP, TO BE SET FREE



Daniel 3:19 (NKJV) <sup>19</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and **the expression on his face** changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that **they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated.**

## SETUP, TO BE SET FREE



Daniel 3:23 (NKJV) <sup>23</sup> And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, **fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.**

## SETUP, TO BE SET FREE



Daniel 3:24–27 (NKJV) <sup>24</sup> Then King Nebuchadnezzar **was astonished**; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, “Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?” They answered and said to the king, “True, O king.”

## SETUP, TO BE SET FREE



<sup>25</sup> “Look!” he answered, “**I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.**”

## SETUP, TO BE SET FREE



<sup>26</sup> Then Nebuchadnezzar went near the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and spoke, saying, “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, **servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here.**” Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego **came from the midst of the fire.**

## SETUP, TO BE SET FREE



<sup>27</sup> And the satraps, administrators, governors, and the king’s counselors gathered together, and they saw **these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and the smell of fire was not on them.**



## BLESSING OF THE FURNACE

- We are weak
- Reveal Christ
- Christ with you
- Greater miracles
- Transformation
- God is glorified
- Promotion

## NO GOD LIKE THIS!

Daniel 3:28–30 (NKJV) <sup>28</sup> Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying, “Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, **who sent His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him**, and they have frustrated the king’s word, and **yielded their bodies**, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God!

## NO GOD LIKE THIS!

<sup>29</sup> Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation, or language which speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made an ash heap; **because there is no other God who can deliver like this.**”

## NO GOD LIKE THIS!

<sup>30</sup> Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego in the province of Babylon.

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