



HOW DO YOU OBTAIN FIREPROOF FAITH PART ONE

STAYING COOL WHEN THE HEAT IS ON DANIEL 3:19-30

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All Scriptures are printed verbatim with translations noted. • When Pastor Joe's commentary is added, God's Word will be printed in regular faced text with commentary in the smaller faced text. • Biblical words, underlined with dots, are explained in the brackets. Pastor Joe's email is Joe@southreno.com. This passage can be found in the Pew Bible, in the Old Testament on pages 630-631.

“Dare to be a Daniel, Dare to stand alone;
Dare to have a purpose firm, Dare to make it known.”

-Phillip Paul Bliss, *Dare to be a Daniel*, (Circa 1873).

STUDY SECTION

GOT FURNACE FAITH?

1. Notice their Devotion (They wouldn't _____!)

Daniel 3:12, NASB95 -¹² *“There are certain Jews whom you have appointed over the administration of the province of Babylon, namely Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego. These men, O king, have disregarded you; they do not serve your gods or worship the golden image which you have set up.”*

2. Notice their Determination (They wouldn't _____!)

Daniel 3:13, NASB95 -¹³ *Then Nebuchadnezzar in rage and anger gave orders to bring Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego; then these men were brought before the king....¹⁷ “[If we do face the furnace], our*

God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king.¹⁸ “But even if He does not, let it be known to you, O king, that we are not going to serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.”

3. Notice their Deliverance (They wouldn't _____!)

Daniel 3:24–27, NASB95 -²⁴ *Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astounded and stood up in haste; he said to his high officials, “Was it not three men we cast bound into the midst of the fire?” They replied to the king, “Certainly, O king.”²⁵ He said, “Look! I see four men loosed and walking about in the midst of the fire without harm, and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods!” [KJV: “...the fourth is like the Son of God.”]²⁶ ...Then Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego came out of the midst of the fire.²⁷ ...the fire had no effect on the bodies of these men nor was the hair of their head singed, nor were their trousers damaged, nor had the smell of fire even come upon them.*

LIFE APPLICATION SECTION

‘HOW DO WE OBTAIN FIREPROOF FAITH?’

A. THE DIFFERENT FURNACES OF LIFE

- i. The Furnace of Persecution
- ii. The Furnace of Warfare
- iii. The Furnace of Fiery Trials

B. HOW DO YOU OBTAIN FIREPROOF FAITH?

- i. It requires our complete surrender to the Lordship of Christ in our lives.
Prayer • Bible Study • Worship • Service • Obedience • Giving • i.e., “Daily Bread”
- ii. It requires a pure, undefiled lifestyle in this evil world.
Do not compromise your ‘God-given’ standards for anybody, any time.
- iii. It requires a joyful, faithful commitment to wholly trust God—live or die.
- iv. It requires a passionate longing for God’s will and His glory—not ours.

C. THE EVIDENCE OF FIREPROOF FAITH

When you can say, I know my God can do anything, but I will stay faithful to Him, even if He does (seemingly) nothing—as I know God is always ‘on mission.’

Or, when it's all about Him—not you!

Answers: 1. Bow, 2. Bend, 3. Burn.