

Solution to Study 0097

ASSIGNMENT

Let us take some time to study the scriptures following and note the way Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, conducted themselves in a heathen land, which today, can be likened to the Christian in the world: **Daniel 1:1-20; 2:1-49; 3:1-30; 4:1-37; 6:1-28.**

1. They purposed in their hearts (they were made up in their minds) not to be defiled by the king's meat, and acted accordingly, obtaining God's favour in the process (**Daniel 1:3-16**).
2. Because they were resolved not to defile themselves, but gave themselves up to God, God made them ten times better than all the others (**Daniel 1:17-20; Deuteronomy 28:1ff**).
3. Whenever they encountered challenges in Babylon, it was their habit to take the matter to God in prayers, and God made a way of escape for them, by which they glorified God (**Daniel 2:1ff; Romans 5:3-4; James 1:2-8; 1 Corinthians 10:13**)!
4. They sought always to glorify God in all things; hence Nebuchadnezzar's confession of the One True God (**Daniel 2:46-47**)!
5. When Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were tempted to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden image, at the pain of death, they refused; and God delivered them from the fiery furnace and was glorified (**Daniel 3:1ff; Isaiah 43:2**).
6. When Daniel was sought for interpretation by Nebuchadnezzar, he respectfully declared the full and undiluted counsel of God, without embellishments. And when the matter was fulfilled, Nebuchadnezzar worshipped God (**Daniel 4:1ff**)!
7. Daniel's testimony in Babylon was impeccable, to all and sundry (**Daniel 6:3-5**).
8. When Daniel was entrapped by the decree of the Medo-Persians because he stuck to the worship of God, and was punished for it, God came through for him by not letting the lions kill him (**Daniel 6:10-22; Psalm 34:19-20**)!
9. Daniel's deliverance was the testimony that made the reality of God before the Persian king very evident to the king who could not but bow down and worship (**Daniel 6:25-27; 1 Corinthians 14:25**)!