

Bible Summary

Daniel 6:1-13

Faith is

Daniel's life is defined by his faith but his faith looks different than what we may assume. Faith isn't simply believing everything will work out or that you will get whatever you want if you have enough faith. It's quite the opposite. It is Daniel's faith that gets him thrown in the lion's den. It is his faith that causes trouble. Daniel 6 (and Daniel 3) are manuals on what faith is when it is truly lived out--that often it is faith that gets believers thrown into fiery furnaces and lion's dens.

Scriptures-- Daniel 6:1-13; John 10:10, 16:33; Ephesians 3:20, 6:12-18; 2 Timothy 3:12; 1 Corinthians 2:9; 1 Peter 4:12-13; Matthew 5:9-11; 2 Corinthians 10:1-4; Colossians 3:1-4

Bible Questions & Application

(These are meant to aid in facilitating conversation.

There is no obligation to run through **every** listed question.)

1. How did Sunday's message challenge your thinking?
2. How did Daniel respond when his faith in God was challenged?
3. Imagine that there was a 30-day law against prayer or reading the Bible. How would that affect you?
4. Was it surprising to you that your faith can get you into--not out of--trouble?
5. Do you have an example of a time when you experienced difficulty because of your faith in Jesus? If so, how did you deal with it and how did you grow from it?
6. What does living out your faith boldly on a daily basis look like for you?
7. Daniel prayed toward Jerusalem, focusing his faith on the future. How does that translate to us today? (Col. 3:1-4)
8. Compare yourself to Daniel.
 - a. In what ways are you like him or not like him?
 - b. What can we take away from Daniel's example?