



Experiencing Peace During Dangerous Times

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Daniel 6:1-28

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- Daniel 6:1-2, *“It seemed good to Darius to appoint 120 satraps over the kingdom, that they would be in charge of the whole kingdom, and over them three commissioners (of whom Daniel was one), that these satraps might be accountable to them, and that the king might not suffer loss.”*



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- Daniel 6:3, *“Then this Daniel began distinguishing himself among the commissioners and satraps because he possessed an extraordinary spirit, and the king planned to appoint him over the entire kingdom.”*



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- Be determined to obey God no matter what. And with His help, live your life in such a way that nobody can find any just cause for blame. In dependence upon God, go above and beyond what is expected to His honor and glory, and be men and women of integrity.



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- Daniel 6:6-7, *“Then these commissioners and satraps came by agreement to the king and spoke to him as follows, ‘King Darius, live forever! All the commissioners of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the high officials and the governors have consulted together that the king should establish a statute and enforce an injunction that anyone who makes a petition to any god or man besides you, O king, for thirty days, shall be cast into the lions’ den.’”*

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- Talk to God every chance you get. Pray your way through the day and trust God to take care of you. That's what Daniel did. He continued to pray as he always had.



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- Daniel 6:10, *“Now when Daniel knew that the document was signed, he entered his house (now in his roof chamber he had windows open toward Jerusalem); and he continued kneeling on his knees three times a day, praying and giving thanks before his God, as he had been doing previously.”*

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C. Pray compliantly. Pray with an attitude of humility.



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- Daniel 6:17-18, *“A stone was brought and laid over the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signet rings of his nobles, so that nothing would be changed in regard to Daniel. Then the king went off to his palace and spent the night fasting, and no entertainment was brought before him; and his sleep fled from him.”*



- Daniel 6:19-23, *“Then the king arose at dawn, at the break of day, and went in haste to the lion’s den. When he had come near the den to Daniel, he cried out with a troubled voice. The king spoke and said to Daniel, ‘Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you constantly serve, been able to deliver you from the lions?’ Then*



- *Daniel spoke to the king, 'O king, live forever! My God has sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths and they have not harmed me, in as much as I was found innocent before Him; and also toward you, O king, I have committed no crime.' Then the king was very pleased and gave orders*



- *for Daniel to be taken out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den and no injury whatever was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.”*



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- J. Oswald Chambers put it this way: “Peace is not in the absence of trouble, but in the presence of God.”



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- *“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:6-7)*



Conclusion

