

Don't Compromise Daniel Chapter One

Daniel's Deportation:

Verse 1 ~ the historical event

"In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to _____ and besieged it." (Dan. 1:1 NIV; 605 B. C.)

Verse 2 ~ Who is directly involved with the affairs of the Jews?

A. ² "And the _____ delivered..." (Dan. 1:2 NIV)

Two things were delivered into Nebuchadnezzar's hands. What were they?

1.

[The king is dethroned]

2.

[The Temple is destroyed]

Daniel's Description:

Verses 3-4a ~ Describe Daniel and the three other men with him.

V. 3 –

1.

2.

V. 4a –

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Daniel's Debriefing: Vv. 4b and 5b

Q. What was Ashpenaz' role in these young men's lives?

V. 4b

A.

Q. Why literature?

A.

V. 5 b

A.

Daniel's Orientation:

Q's. Who was recorded as going from Judah, and what were their Babylonian names?

Verses 6-7 ~

Daniel = Heb.;

_____ = Babylonian;

Hananiah = Heb.;

_____ = Babylonian;

Mishael = Heb.;

_____ = Babylonian;

Azariah = Heb.;

_____ = Babylonian;

Q. What was the relevance of the name changes?

A.

1. It was designed to further _____ them from their pasts and their past allegiance to _____.
2. It was designed to further their new Babylonian _____ and align them to an allegiance to new _____.

Daniel's Resolve:

Verse 8 ~ What is the main issue at hand?

How was eating certain food supposed to "defile" Daniel?

A. Defilement would come by eating foods declared to be "_____" or not acceptable for consumption or worship according to the _____.

Note: Leviticus 20:24-26.

Note: This separation of “unclean” and “clean” goes back to the time of _____ - pre-Law, pre-Abrahamic covenant. (Genesis 7:2)

What was Daniel so concerned about that he would risk the favor of the chief court official?

A. His covenant _____ with Yahweh (God).

Daniel’s Problem:

Verses 9-10 ~ What was it?

A. Daniel’s problem was that his overseer’s own _____ was tied up in Daniel and his friend’s well-being. While he was favorably disposed to them, Ashpenaz was not willing to forfeit his own life for something as “silly” as a religious _____.

Daniel’s Compromise:

Verses 11-14 ~ How did Daniel navigate the difficulty?

A.

1. He was _____. He didn’t stubbornly refuse.
2. He offered another acceptable _____.
3. He was willing to _____ in what he knew was right.

Daniel’s Results: (Part One)

Verses 15-16 ~ What were they?

A.

1. (v. 15)
2. (v. 16)

Daniel's Ultimate Results:

Verses 17-21 ~ What were they?

A.

1. (v. 17)

2. (v. 17)

3. (v. 19)

4. (v. 19)

Daniel's Example:

What things can we learn from Daniel's early life that may help us to be better followers of Christ and better witnesses in our world?

What significance do you see in his being a teenager at this time?