

July 4, 2010  
Center Point Baptist Church  
“Our God Is Able”  
Daniel 3:14-30  
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- I. Nebuchadnezzar was a slow learner.
  - A. Daniel interprets his dreams.
  - B. He declares the God of Heaven has made him a king of kings.
  - C. The lesser kings shall follow him.
  - D. The fourth shall be strong of iron but feet mixed with clay shall make it crumble.
  - E. Then the God of Heaven shall establish a kingdom that will never be destroyed.
  - F. Nebuchadnezzar declares Daniel’s God to be the God of Gods.
  - G. Promotes Daniel and at Daniel’s recommendation: Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego
  
- II. Nebuchadnezzar builds the image of gold.
  - A. The image is paraded through the streets with the sound of much music.
  - B. All men are commanded to fall down before it and worship.
  - C. A fiery death is the penalty for not obeying the king.
  - D. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego are brought before the king.
  - E. Answered the king straightly – If our God does not deliver us we will not bow to an image but our god is able and if He does we will not bow down to your image.
  - F. Fury of the king toward them.
  
- III. God’s delivery of His servants in the furnace.
  - A. Fire had no power over them.
  - B. They were not in the furnace alone: “One like unto the Son of God”
  - C. The king told them to come out.
  - D. Not even the evidence of having ever been in the furnace.
  - E. Judgment on anyone who spoke against their God.
  - F. Promoted higher.
  
- IV. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego showed some admirable character.
  - A. Would not bend to pressure: How often do we bend to even lesser pressure from others?

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- B. Would not bow to a false god: How many false gods do we bow to every day?
- C. Did not demand that God give them deliverance here on earth before they would serve Him: Many people say yes I will serve God but only if He does this or that.
- D. Would not burn – they saw God’s deliverance: We could see the miracles of deliverance in our lives if we had this kind of obedience and faith.