



# Dances With Lions

## Daniel 6:1-28

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1. Extra Credit: Sing the “Dare To Be A Daniel” song.
2. Super Extra Credit: Sing the “Dare To Be A Daniel” song with motions.

### **Medo-Persian Politics (verses 1-9)**

1. Based on verses 1-9, how would you describe the governmental politics of the Medo-Persian Empire?
2. Any examples of this kind of politics today? Is this kind of politics just limited to government? Examples?
3. How was it that Daniel was engaged in these politics but not corrupted by them?
4. Do you think it was easy or difficult for Daniel to stay above reproach? Why or why not?

### **Daniel's Choice (verses 10-18)**

1. What was the choice that Daniel made?
2. Do you think that this was an easy or a difficult choice for Daniel? Why or why not?
3. It seems like Daniel, when confronted with the new law, already had in place a set of behavior boundaries (what he would or would not do because of his relationship with God) upon which he based his choice. What were some of those boundaries?
4. What are some of the boundaries that you live by as you follow God?

### **God's Glory (verses 19-28)**

1. In what ways does God bring glory to Himself through the choice Daniel made?
2. Does it seem unfair that God gets the glory? After all, it was Daniel who made the choice and ended up getting thrown in the lions' den! Why do you think it is important that God gets the glory rather than Daniel?
3. Why might it be personally helpful for us to understand this?

### **Processing All That...**

1. These days, most of us probably will not face the reality of being thrown into a den of physical lions. What are “the lions” of today?
2. Where are the lions in your life?
3. These days, which of the below reasons to trust God resonates with you the most? Why?
  - God chose you to be His.
  - God is sovereign over the issues which affect your life.
  - God will never leave you hanging.
  - God created you and sustains your life.
  - God alone is able to supply your deepest needs.
4. Are there any reasons to trust God that you would add to the above list?
5. Courage comes from consistency (i.e. being consistent in our commitment to God). Agree or disagree?
6. What does consistency in our commitment to God look like?
7. What steps are you taking to be consistent in your relationship with God?
8. What steps can you take to help you become more consistent in your relationship with God?
9. Considering that Daniel was probably over 80 at the time of this account, how do you think God views retirement?
10. How might God's view of retirement affect your life?

### **Generic Catch All Last Question...**

1. Anything else not covered above or that particularly impresses you from this study?