

Daniel Chapter 6

1. How did the new king treat Daniel among the other leaders? (v.1-3)

King D_____ chose Daniel to be one of the ___ high officials over _____ satraps in his kingdom. Since Daniel had an E_____ spirit in him, the king P_____ to set Daniel over the W_____ kingdom.

2. What did other leaders privately plan against Daniel? (v.4-5)

They tried to find some F_____ in Daniel so they could tell the king. But the only way to get a C_____ against him was concerning the L_____ of his God.

3. How did the leaders trick the king against Daniel? (v.6-9)

They all agreed to ask the king to S_____ a law that for 30 days, if anyone asks a P_____ of any god or any person, except the king, they should be C_____ into the D_____ of L_____.

4. When did the leaders catch Daniel praying to his God? (v.10-11)

They watched him right away as Daniel continued his habit of praying and T_____ God ___ times every day.

5. How did the king respond to the leaders accusation? (v.12-15)

The king was very D_____ and tried to find a way to stop this punishment. But they reminded him that the law of the M_____ and P_____ can't be C_____!

6. What did the king do next? (v.16-18)

He had no other choice. He C_____ them to bring Daniel and cast him into the den of lions. The king told Daniel, "May your God, whom you S_____ continually, D_____ you!" Then the S_____ sealed the den, locked with the S_____ of the king's ring. That night king Darius could not S_____.

7. What did the king do early the next morning? (v.19-20)

He went to the den and called out to Daniel. "O Daniel, servant of the L_____ God. Has your God, whom you serve continually, been A_____ to deliver you from the lions?"

8. What did Daniel say to the king? (v.21-23)

"O king, live F_____.! My God sent his A_____ and S_____ the lions' M_____. They have not H_____ me, because I was found B_____ before Him; and A_____ before you, O king, I have done N_____ harm."

9. What did Darius do to the men who accused Daniel? (v.23-24)

After Daniel was taken out of the den, Darius commanded to cast all the men who tricked him into the den with their W_____ and C_____. Before they got to the bottom of the den, the lions B_____ all their B_____!

10. What new law did the king tell everyone in the world? (v.25-27)

The new D_____ from king Darius required A_____ people in his R_____ D_____ to tremble and F_____ the Daniel's L_____ God. His kingdom will N_____ be destroyed. He D_____ and R_____. He works signs and W_____ in heaven and on earth. This is the God who S_____ Daniel from the powerful L_____!

11. How did Daniel's faith in God influence his future? (v.28)

Daniel P_____ during the rest of the R_____ of king D_____ as well as the next king - C_____, the P_____.

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Daniel and the Lions' Den

¹ It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom 120 satraps, to be throughout the whole kingdom; ² and over them three high officials, of whom Daniel was one, to whom these satraps should give account, so that the king might suffer no loss. ³ Then this Daniel became distinguished above all the other high officials and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him. And the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom. ⁴ Then the high officials and the satraps sought to find a ground for complaint against Daniel with regard to the kingdom, but they could find no ground for complaint or any fault, because he was faithful, and no error or fault was found in him. ⁵ Then these men said, "We shall not find any ground for complaint against this Daniel unless we find it in connection with the law of his God."

⁶ Then these high officials and satraps came by agreement to the king and said to him, "O King Darius, live forever! ⁷ All the high officials of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors are agreed that the king should establish an ordinance and enforce an injunction, that whoever makes petition to any god or man for thirty days, except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions. ⁸ Now, O king, establish the injunction and sign the document, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and the Persians, which cannot be revoked." ⁹ Therefore King Darius signed the document and injunction.

¹⁰ When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously. ¹¹ Then these men came by agreement and found Daniel making petition and plea before his

God. ¹² Then they came near and said before the king, concerning the injunction, "O king! Did you not sign an injunction, that anyone who makes petition to any god or man within thirty days except to you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?" The king answered and said, "The thing stands fast, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be revoked." ¹³ Then they answered and said before the king, "Daniel, who is one of the exiles from Judah, pays no attention to you, O king, or the injunction you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day."

¹⁴ Then the king, when he heard these words, was much distressed and set his mind to deliver Daniel. And he labored till the sun went down to rescue him. ¹⁵ Then these men came by agreement to the king and said to the king, "Know, O king, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no injunction or ordinance that the king establishes can be changed."

¹⁶ Then the king commanded, and Daniel was brought and cast into the den of lions. The king declared to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you!" ¹⁷ And a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet and with the signet of his lords, that nothing might be changed concerning Daniel. ¹⁸ Then the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; no diversions were brought to him, and sleep fled from him.

¹⁹ Then, at break of day, the king arose and went in haste to the den of lions. ²⁰ As he came near to the den where Daniel was, he cried out in a tone of anguish. The king declared to Daniel, "O Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?" ²¹ Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever! ²² My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him; and also before you, O king, I have done no harm." ²³ Then the king was exceedingly glad, and commanded that Daniel be taken up out of the den. So Daniel was taken

up out of the den, and no kind of harm was found on him, because he had trusted in his God. ²⁴ And the king commanded, and those men who had maliciously accused Daniel were brought and cast into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives. And before they reached the bottom of the den, the lions overpowered them and broke all their bones in pieces.

²⁵ Then King Darius wrote to all the peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth: "Peace be multiplied to you. ²⁶ I make a decree, that in all my royal dominion people are to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel,

for he is the living God,
enduring forever;
his kingdom shall never be destroyed,
and his dominion shall be to the end.

²⁷ He delivers and rescues;
he works signs and wonders
in heaven and on earth,
he who has saved Daniel
from the power of the lions."

²⁸ So this Daniel prospered during the reign of Darius and the reign of Cyrus the Persian.