

DARE TO BE DANIEL

DANIEL 5:31—6:28

The Story

What does this story teach us about Daniel?

Daniel 6: 3-5; 10-11; 14; 16; 18-20; 22-23

What does this story teach us about God?

Daniel 6:22; 26-27

What does this story teach you about yourself?

Your personal take-aways

FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Re-read Daniel 5:31—6:28. How would you summarize the point of this chapter in just a few sentences? Why has the Holy Spirit preserved it for us?
2. Read the first few verses and last few verses of Daniel chapters 2, 3, 4, and 5. Do you see a pattern? If so, is it repeated in ch. 6? What purpose might this serve? Does this observation change your answer to question 1 above? Why or why not?
3. Read the verses about Daniel listed on the sermon outline. Combine that information with Daniel 1:3-5, 17, 19-20; 2:14, 49; 4:19, 27; 5:11-12, 17, 22-23. From this information, how would you describe Daniel? What aspects of his character impress you most? If you were more like him what would need to change, if anything?
4. Read the verses about God listed on the sermon outline. Combine that information with Daniel 1:2, 9, 17; 2:23, 37, 45; 3:25, 28-29; 4:1-3, 32, 34-37; 5:18-19, 22-30. From this information, how would you describe God? What aspects of his character surprise you most? Encourage you most?
5. Did Sunday's message resonate with you? Do you agree that we often settle for a weak and safe form of Christianity? Why or why not?
6. Are you sensing God's call into a realm of untested faith? A place where He better come through, or else? If so, what is it? And what's stopping you?



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