

DANIEL (on Prayer)

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Daniel knelt upon his knees three times a day and prayed, and gave thanks before his God. - Dan. 6-10.

King Darius of Babylon appointed ~~four~~ Daniel one of three presidents over his kingdom and he was distinguished over the other two and the king thought to put him over the whole realm.

Then the other presidents became jealous of Daniel and persuaded the king to make an edict that

any man who asked a petition
of any god or ^{except the King} man, for
30 days should be cast into
the den of lions.

David disregarded the
edict and prayed as usual
to his god, was reported to the
king, who, much to his
regret and sorrow, had
him cast into the lions
den.

"Now, the King spoke
and said unto David,
Thy God whom thou serve
continually, he will deliver
thee, and a stone was

brought, and laid upon the
 mouth of the den; and the
 King scab it with his own
 signet, and with the signet
 of his lords; that nothing
 might be changed concerning
 Daniel. Then the King went
 to his palace, and passed the
 night feasting; reciters were
 instruments of music brought
 before him; and his sleep fled
 from him.

Then the King arose very
 early in the morning, and
 went in haste unto the den
 of lions. And when he came
 near unto the den to Daniel,
 he cried with a lamentable

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Voice; the King spoke and
 said to Daniel, O, Daniel,
 servant of the living God's
 thy God, whom thou servest
 continually, able to deliver thee
 from the lions? The said Daniel
 unto the King, O King, live
 for ever. My God hath sent
 his angel, and hath shut the
 lions' mouths, and they have
 not hurt me; forasmuch
 as before him innocency
 was found in me; and ^{also} before
 thee, O King, I have done
 no hurt.

Then was the King

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Accordingly, glad, and commanded
that they should take Daniel up
out of the den. So Daniel was
taken up out of the den, and
no manner of hurt was
found upon him, because he
had trust in his God.

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That Daniel, who is of the
children of the captivity of Judah,
regardeth not the King,
nor the interdict that thou
hast given, but maketh
his petition three times
a day.

Daniel, when he was
 prisoner in Babylon, appeals
 to God for spiritual discern-
 ment that he might interpret
 the King's strange dream,
~~which~~ ^{after} all the Chaldean
 wise men had failed.

He began by blessing
 the wisdom and discernment
 of God, thus building up a
 consciousness of God's wisdom
 and understanding.

"And Daniel blessed the
 God of heaven,

Blessed be the name
 of God forever and ever,
 for wisdom and might
 are his, ++ he revealeth

the deep and secret things;
he knoweth what is in the
darkness, and the light
dwelleth with him.

I thank thee and praise
thee, O God thou of my
fathers, who has given me
wisdom and might, and
hast now made known
unto me what are
desires of thee; for
thou hast made known
unto me the King's
matter."