

Preparing for the Lion's Den

Daniel 5

"Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God.

Acts 14:22

Premise: ***Believers in all ages are to be steadfast and constant both in their hatred of what is evil and in obedience to that which is good, whatever the cost or circumstances we face. Our steadfastness is found in the way we approach God in prayer and worship.***

I. A _____ Deception

(Daniel 6:1-9, 5:29, Romans 1:29 Esther 8:8)

A. A _____ of the Kingdom (Vs 1-2)

B. A _____ of the Position (Vs 3)

C. A _____ to Commit Character Assassination (Vs 4)

D. A _____ Record (Vs 4)

D. A _____ Decree (Vs 5)

E. A _____ Set in Concrete (Vs 8)

II. A _____ Devotion

(Dan 6:10, Mat, 10:28, Heb 4:16 Ps 122:6 Luke 18:10, 1 Thess 5:16 Col 4:2, Phil 4:6-7 Mat 10:32)

A. We are to approach God _____.

B. We are to approach God _____.

C. We are to approach God _____.

D. We are to approach God _____.

E. We are to approach God _____.

F. We are to approach God _____.

III. A Divine _____ and a Divine _____

(Daniel 6:11-23, 1 Peter 2:17 Acts 5:29 Daniel 6:24, Revelation 12:10, 16:5)

A. A _____ Daniel

B. A _____ Darius

C. Daniel _____ but not _____

D. Dignitaries _____ and Deemed _____

IV. A _____ Declaration of Dominion

(Daniel 6:25-28, Exodus 20:2)

Application (Matthew 16:24)

➤ Live a *life or death* devotion to Christ regardless of the circumstances

➤ Approach God in our prayer and worship with the attitude of Daniel

"Teach me to live by prayer as well as by providence, for myself, soul, body, children, family, church; Give me a heart frameable to Thy will; so I might live in prayer and honor thee, being kept from evil, known and unknown."

Puritan Prayer from *The Valley of Vision*