

Elgin Evangelical Free Church - October 8, 2023

- I. Opposition to The One 3:1-7
 - A. You don't control my future
 - B. You don't control my worship
- II. Opposition to His Followers -3:8-15
 - A. The Ugliness of Jealousy
 - B. The Ugliness of Rejected Limitation
- III. Dedication to The One 3:16-18
 - A. When we don't need time to respond

- B. When we know the ONE we serve
- C. When we are willing to pay the price
- IV. Deliverance of His Followers—3:19-27
 - A. Delivered from limited authorities
 - B. Delivered into His presence
- V. He is THE ONE 3:28-30
 - A. Nebuchadnezzar is learning
 - B. God's authority is being established

Life Group Study Questions
The ONE Who Walks in Flame
Daniel 3

- 1) Have you ever forgotten the authority and power of an individual and it cost you big time?
- 2) What do the similarities and differences between the image of gold and the image in Nebuchadnezzar's dream tell you about the condition of the king's heart? What is motivating the building and design of this giant statue?
- 3) Do you see any similarities between the present culture's approach to idol worship and the way that Nebuchadnezzar sets up the worship of his golden image? What are they?
- 4) Why do you think the three men could respond to Nebuchadnezzar without any hesitation? What "non-negotiables" need to be in place if we want to stand firm in this present culture?
- 5) Who is the fourth man in the fire? How does this Christophany (preincarnate appearance of Christ) change the way we view the consequences of obedience?
- 6) What is the reward for believers who are willing to face the fire of opposition to the ONE true God?
- 7) What does Nebuchadnezzar's response show us about how God reveals Himself to people and the sinister nature of pride?

Close your time praying for one another and asking God for a commitment to follow Him no matter what.