

“The Lion's Den”

Dan. 6:1-10

Introduction

- I. The life of Daniel is a great study for mankind.
- II. Here is an example of commitment and faithfulness.
 - A. There was a plan of entrapment (Dan. 6:1-10).
 - B. There was a punishment of example (Dan. 6:11-17).
 - C. There was a protection of extremes (Dan. 6:18-23).
 - D. There was a proclamation of evidence (Dan. 6:24-28).

Discussion

- I. There was a plan of entrapment (Dan. 6:1-10).
 - A. Unfortunately, good men are sometimes mistreated by their fellow men.
 - B. Daniel was not going to stop being faithful to appease others (Prov. 22:29; 11:3; Psm. 55:17; 1 Thess. 5:17).
 - C. Christians must make sure that they remain faithful, no matter what (2 Tim. 4:6-8; Rev. 2:10)
- II. There was a punishment of example (Dan. 6:11-17).
 - A. The Law of the Medes and Persians was not to be broken.
 - B. Daniel would have to be “punished” in order for the king to be lawful.
 - C. Christians will have those that want to do us harm (Psm. 37:32; 2 Tim. 3:12; Matt. 5:10-12, 44; John 15:18; 1 Pet. 3:14-17; 4:12-14; 1 John 3:13; 2 Cor. 4:8-12).
- III. There is a protection of extremes (Dan. 6:18-23).
 - A. Daniel's faithfulness to God is rewarded.
 - B. God's children have reasons to be confident of God's protection (Eph. 6:10-18; 1 John 5:18; Heb. 13:5; Psm. 91).
- IV. There was a proclamation of evidence (Dan. 6:24-28).
 - A. The king now believed in the LORD.
 - B. There is sufficient evidence for faith in God (Rom. 1:20; Psm. 19:1; Heb. 11:1; 2 Tim. 2:13).
 - C. Christians are never to lose their confidence in God (Heb. 11:6; 10:23).

Conclusion

- I. Would it not be wonderful if the world had a few more “Daniels”?
- II. Let us learn from his life and example.