



LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES

Wednesday 14 May 2014

TITLE: *DYNAMIC FAITH*

TEXT: *Daniel 3:1-30*

28 Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, who sent His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him, and they have frustrated the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God! Daniel 3:28

INTRODUCTION

This week's focus is on Dynamic Faith as demonstrated in the story of the Hebrew boys who triumphed over the fiery furnace by faith. Let's be imitators of such; then we'll likewise reap the rewards.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION & REFLECTION

1. What is "dynamic faith"? What four things does it bring (according to last Sunday's sermon)?
2. Who was Nebuchadnezzar?
3. Who were Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego? Are there similarities between these boys and us today? How?
4. Why were the Hebrew boys cast into the fiery furnace? How did they survive? Can your faith also get you into trouble? How can you escape?
5. Consider the irony of the king's testimony (v28) given that he is the one who had ordered the boys' judgment in the first place. Can that happen to you today? Will you believe Yahweh to reverse criticism into commendation, trial into triumph in your life?
6. Who was the "fourth man in the fire"? Should we expect Him to show up in our "fires" today?
7. Whose God delivered the Hebrew boys? How can we develop an intimate and personal association with God?
8. Can we expect angelic assistance in our lives today? Why? [Provide biblical backing]