

From Accusation to Acclamation

Daniel 3

4-part plot in each chapter:

- Politics of the nation (vv.1-3)
- Ploy of satan (vv. 4-15)
- Plan of God (vv. 16-23)
- Praise to God (vv. 24-30)

Personal Application:

- Politics – A new “god” was being produced and promoted for worship. Are there things today that strive to take the place of God?
- Ploy – These men were being forced to worship something other than God. Are we ever tempted to do that?
- Plan – These men refused to worship anything or anyone but God, even though death was imminent as a result of that decision. Are we that committed to God to make such a decision?
- Praise – Neb. Once again changed his mind about the God they served based on the faith they expressed in God. Do others see that faith being exemplified in our lives?

Points to Ponder:

- When shown worldly substitutes for God / Ignore them!
- When others would seek to have you worship someone other than God Almighty / Refuse them!
- When fear would seek to alter your convictions / Stick to them!
- When others see your faith expressed, may they / See Him!