

## DANIEL: AN UNCOMPROMISING LIFE

"The Resolve to Choose God's Way" Daniel 1

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- 1) The routing of Judah Vs 1-2
  - ✓ The Lord was in control & at work
  - ✓ The Lord was bringing His promised judgment
- 2) They were removed & relocated Vs 3-7
  - **✓** Their rearing
  - **✓** Their reputation
  - ✓ The <u>requirement</u>
- 3) Their resolve to not compromise Vs 8-13
  - ✓ Their resolve & <u>refusal</u> Vs 8a
  - ✓ Their respect and reasonable request Vs 8b, 11-13
  - ✓ Their <u>resource</u> Vs 9
  - ✓ The resistance & risk for the commander Vs 10-11
- 4) The results of their refusal to compromise Vs 14-16
  - ✓ Commander's reaction
  - **✓** The results
- 5) Their Reward Vs 17-21
  - ✓ The Lord <u>reaffirmed</u> them
  - ✓ They <u>rose</u> above the <u>rest</u>

## **RESPONSE QUESTIONS:**

- 1. Daniel and his friends were pressured to cave to the culture and compromise. How does the culture we live in seek to conform us to compromise to their way instead of God's way?
- 2. Where is the most difficult place for you to daily live out your faith? What challenges do you face in being a faithful witness in the places God has called you?
- 3. Daniel was determined to not eat the king's food and thus compromise. Why does being different also require being intentional? Why is that important?
- 4. When Daniel didn't compromise, he also maintained a relationship with the king's official that was rooted in kindness and compassion. What can we learn from his example?
- 5. How has God blessed you for refusing to compromise and staying true? Describe a time when you didn't compromise, but haven't yet seen the reward?