

# Men on Fire

## Daniel 2 & 3

### Introduction

The OT stories are filled with danger, tension, and surprise. One such story is found in Daniel 2 & 3.

#### I. The Story = The King's Dream

- A. Nebuchadnezzar's dream | Ch 2:1
- B. Summoned the wise men | Ch. 2:2
- C. Tell me the dream and interpret it | Ch. 2:3-9
- D. No one can do that | Ch. 2:10-11
- E. King gets angry | Ch. 2:12
- F. Daniel asked for time to interpret the dream. | Ch. 2:15-16
- G. Daniel got his friends praying | Ch. 2:17-18
- H. Praised God | Ch. 2:20-30
- I. Arioch takes Daniel to the King | Ch. 2:24
- J. Daniel interprets the dream | Ch. 2:29
- K. 90-foot statue | Ch. 2:31-38
- L. Praised Daniel and his God | Ch. 2:46-49
- M. Bow down to the statue when you hear the band playing | Ch. 3:1-7

#### II. The Story = The Boys Who Won't Bow

- A. Three boys who won't bow | Ch. 3:8-12
- B. The king gets angry | Ch. 3:13-15
- C. Go ahead, throw us in the fiery furnace | Ch. 3:16-18
  - 1. God will deliver us
  - 2. Even if he doesn't, we won't serve your statue. | Ch. 3:18
- D. Though them in the fiery furnace | Ch. 3:19-33
- E. Fourth man – Jesus | Ch. 3:19-27
- F. Praise the God of these men. | Ch. 3:28-29
- G. He promotes them | Ch. 3:30

#### III. The Story = Applications for Us

- A. Stand Firm in Your Faith
- B. Trust in God's Sovereignty
- C. Have Courage in the Face of Trials

- D. The Power of Community
- E. God's Presence in Trial
- F. Faith as a Witness
- G. Deliverance in God's Timing
- H. The Futility of Idolatry
- I. The Impact of Obedience
- J. God's Glory Revealed

### Conclusion

There may come a day when you will be forced to choose between man and God's decrees. What will you do?