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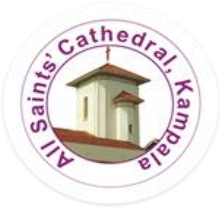


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Daniel faced a challenge and he did not have a promise from God that he would be saved from the lions. In spite of this, Daniel remained faithful to God, just like his friends did when they refused to bow down to the statue. They remained faithful and lived with integrity despite the danger they were in.

We may not face lions or burning furnaces because of our faith but we could be bullied, made fun of, rejected or isolated because we follow Jesus. This can pressure us to compromise, but we should remain faithful to God despite our challenges - just like Daniel did, and just like his friends did when they faced the burning furnace.

In the end, God rescued Daniel from the lions, and the friends were rescued from the fire. However, even if they were not to be rescued, they were determined to remain faithful to God. Not even the threat of death was going to affect their relationship with God.

In the same way, we should not allow anything to affect our relationship with God; we should remain faithful to God in all situations.

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Think: *What things might you be pressured to do that go against the God you believe in?*



Why did Darius want to promote Daniel? (6:3) _____

Out of jealousy, the other administrators tried to find fault with Daniel. What was the only thing that they could use against him? (6:5)

How do we know that Darius valued Daniel and realised that the decree was a big mistake?

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What do you learn about God from this story?

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