



The 3 Cs of Godly Influence

BEING A GODLY INFLUENCE

The 3 Cs:-

- ✓ Conviction
- ✓ Courage
- ✓ Consistency





INTRODUCTION

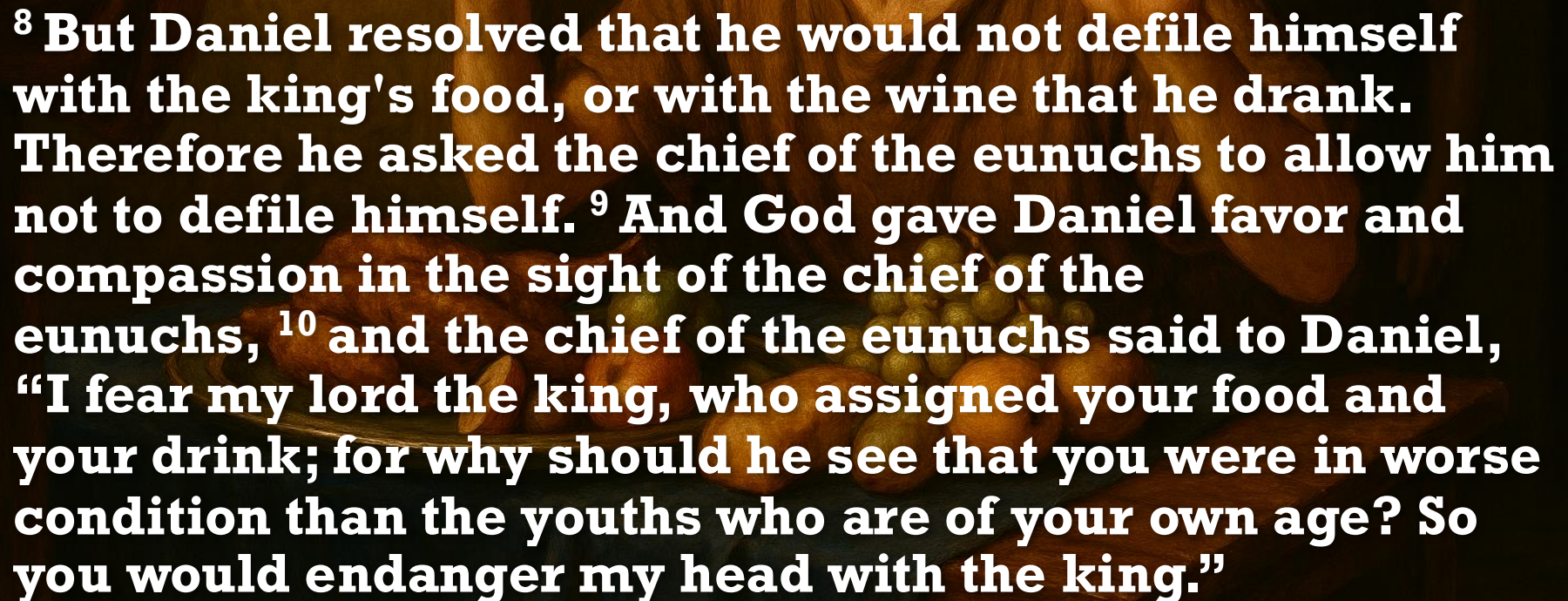
- Influence shapes lives—positive or negative
- Book of Daniel: Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego
- Godly influence impacts even kings and nations

DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM IN 605 BC



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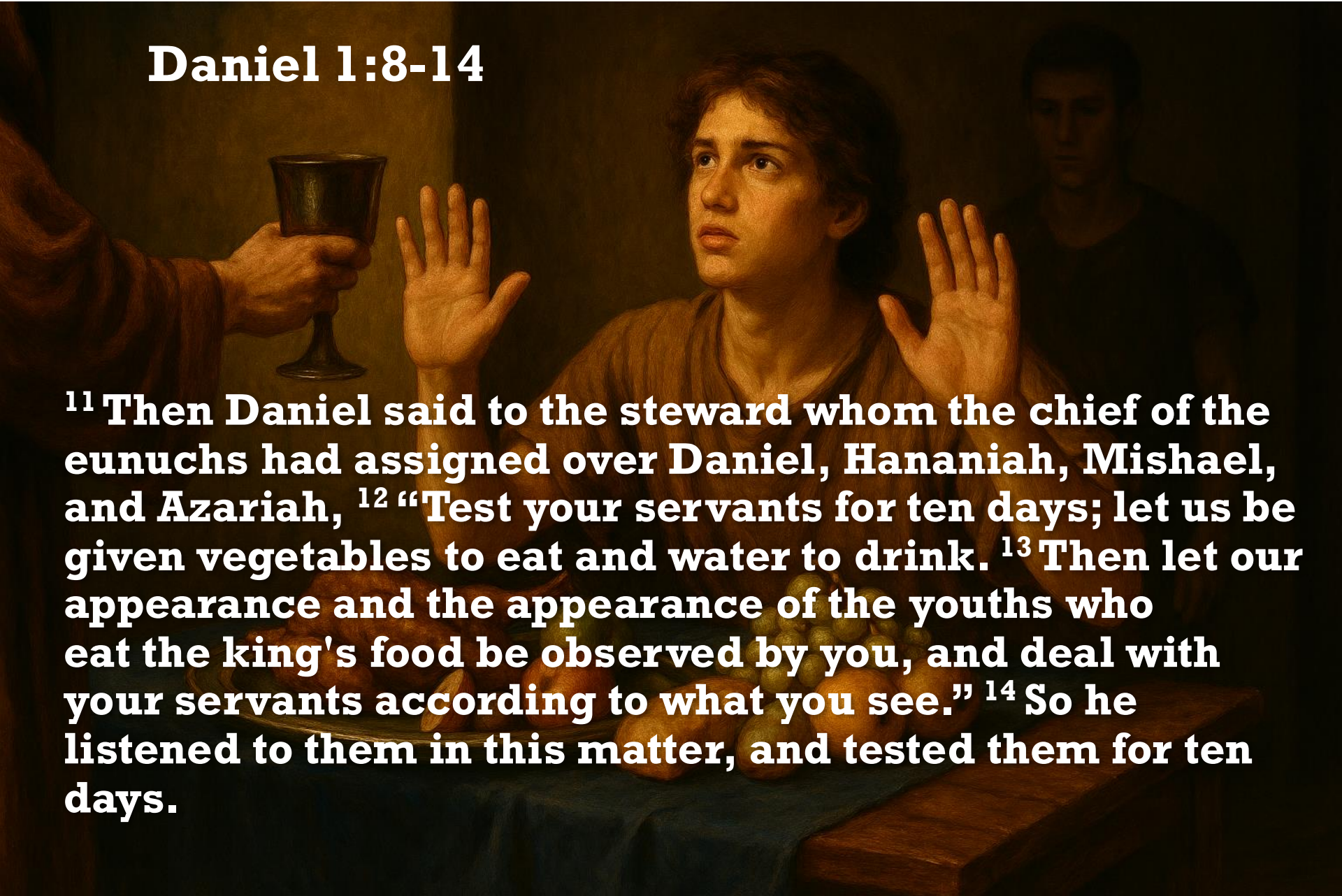
Daniel 1:8-14



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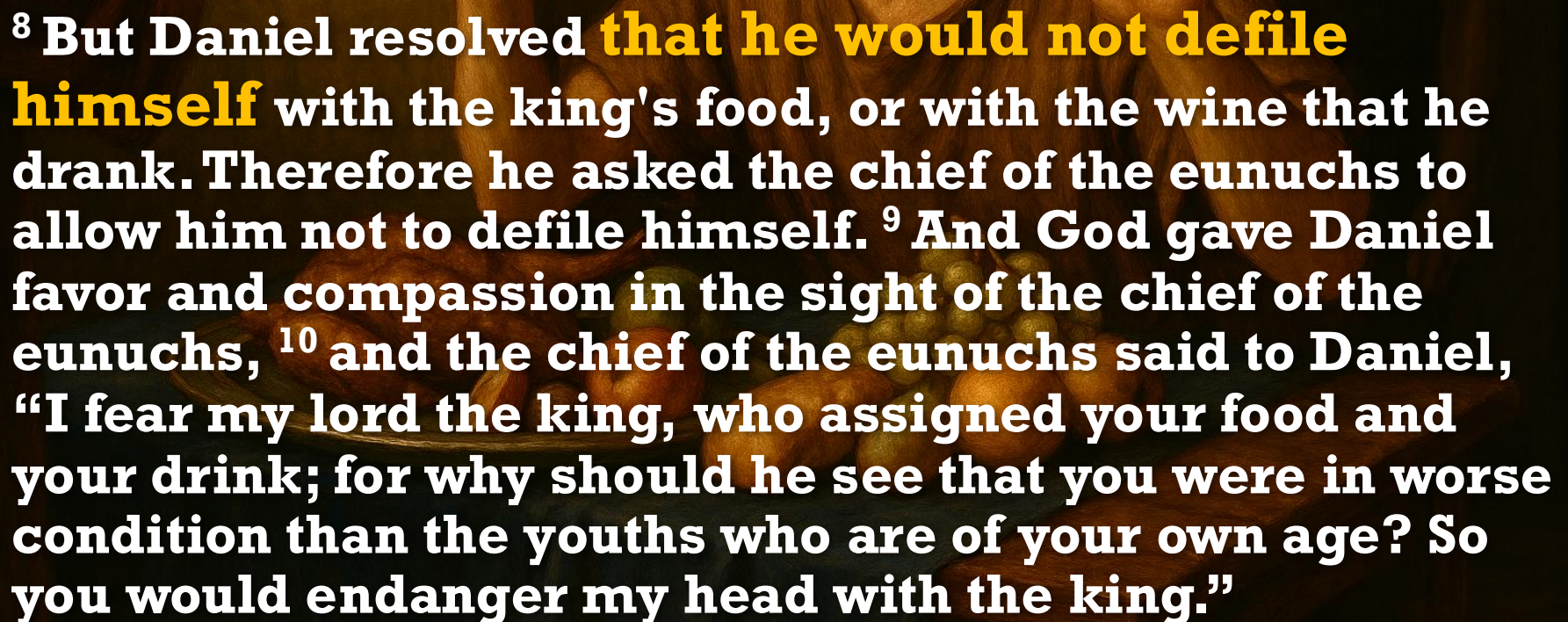
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¹¹ Then Daniel said to the steward whom the chief of the eunuchs had assigned over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, ¹² “Test your servants for ten days; let us be given vegetables to eat and water to drink. ¹³ Then let our appearance and the appearance of the youths who eat the king’s food be observed by you, and deal with your servants according to what you see.” ¹⁴ So he listened to them in this matter, and tested them for ten days.

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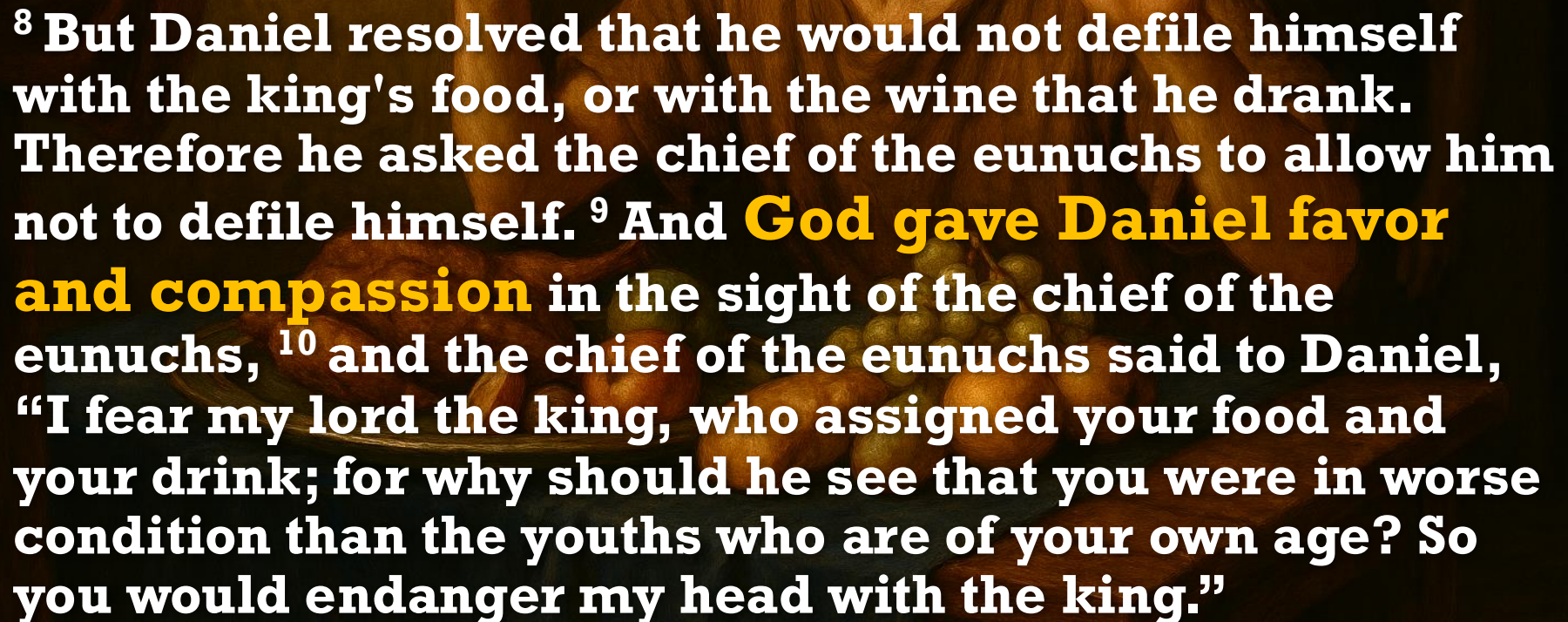
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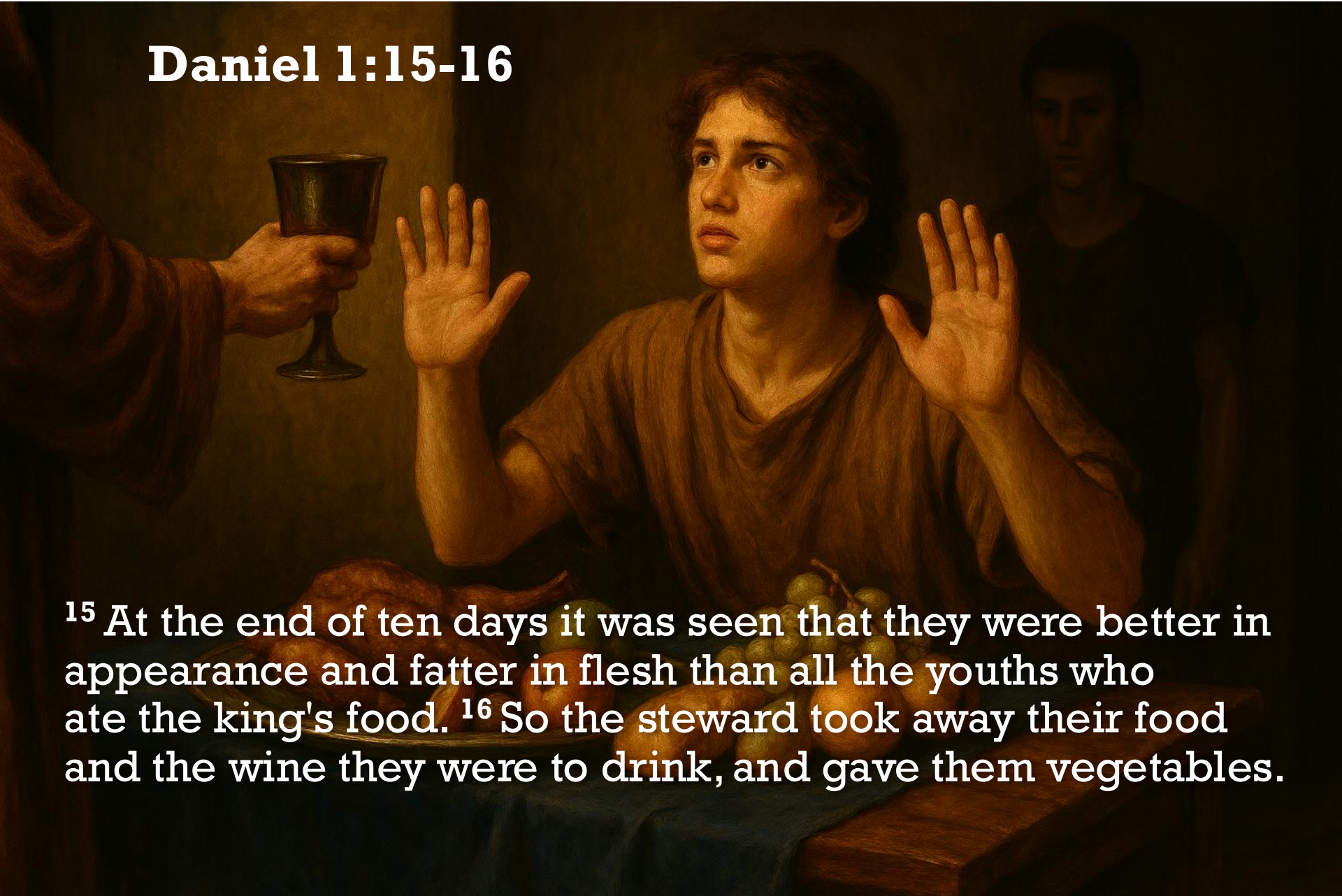
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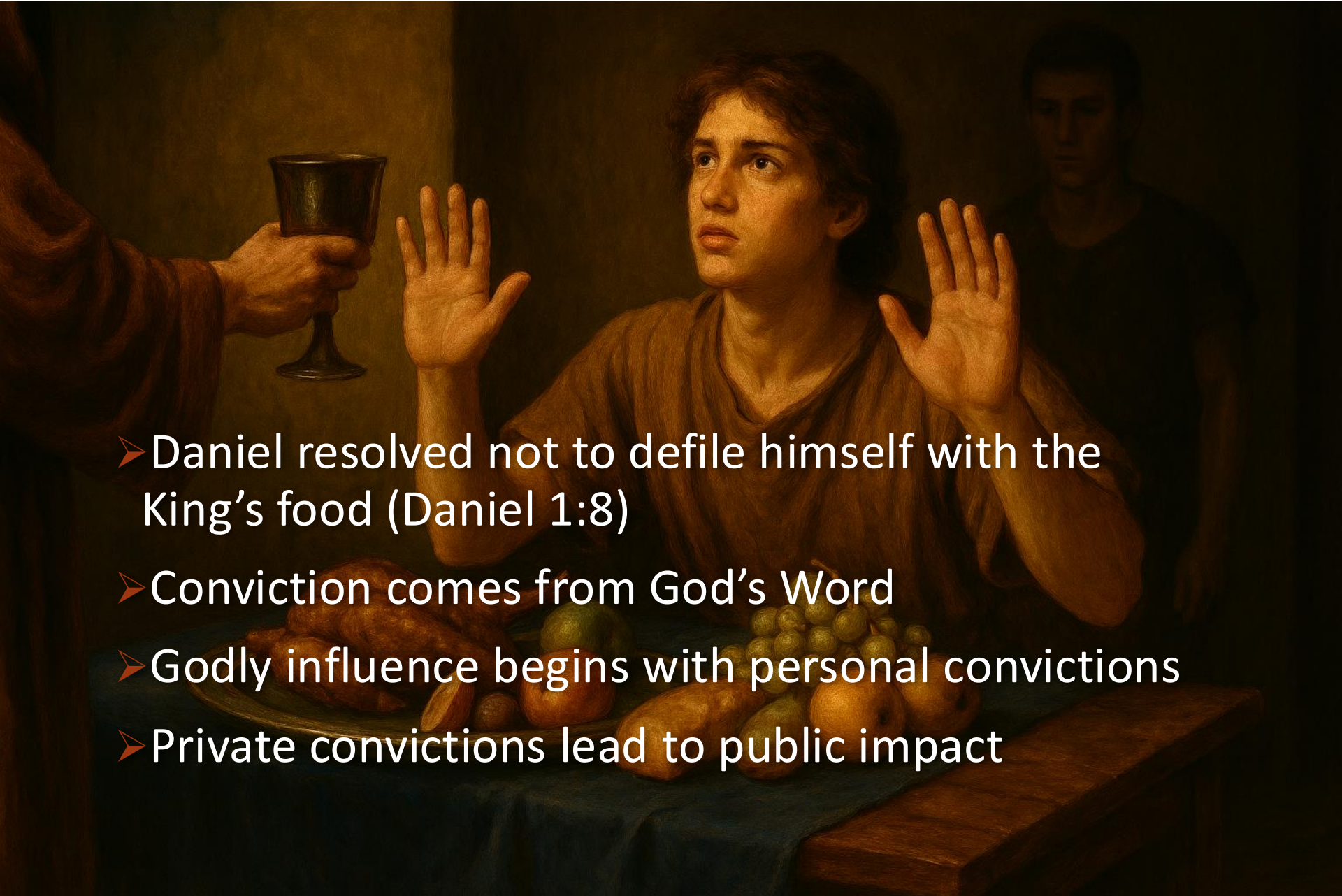
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Daniel 1:15-16



¹⁵ At the end of ten days it was seen that they were better in appearance and fatter in flesh than all the youths who ate the king's food. ¹⁶ So the steward took away their food and the wine they were to drink, and gave them vegetables.

CONVICTION: STANDING FIRM IN IDENTITY (DANIEL 1)

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- Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the King's food (Daniel 1:8)
 - Conviction comes from God's Word
 - Godly influence begins with personal convictions
 - Private convictions lead to public impact

CONVICTION: STANDING FIRM IN IDENTITY (DANIEL 1)



Question: What principles do you hold that you won't compromise?

COMMITTED TO THE CONVICTION

⁵ WALK IN WISDOM TOWARD OUTSIDERS, MAKING THE BEST USE OF THE TIME. ⁶ LET YOUR SPEECH ALWAYS BE GRACIOUS, SEASONED WITH SALT, SO THAT YOU MAY KNOW HOW YOU OUGHT TO ANSWER EACH PERSON.

COLOSSIANS 4:5-6



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What Causes People to Doubt Christianity?

Hypocrisy ranks #1 for non-Christians



Do any of the following cause you to doubt Christian beliefs? Select all that apply.

Base: general population ages 13+



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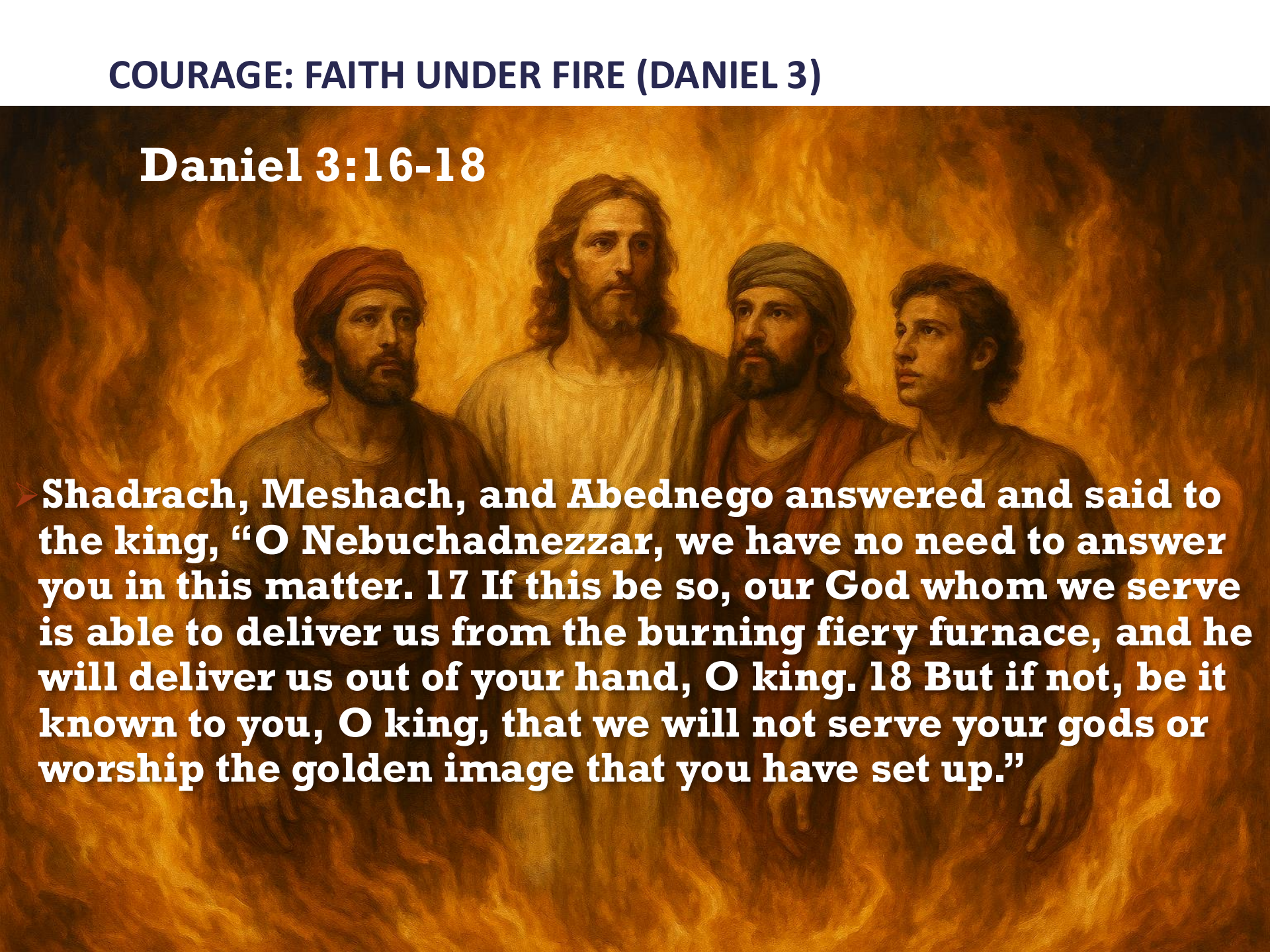
“LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE OTHERS, SO THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS AND GIVE GLORY TO YOUR FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN.”

MATTHEW 5:16



COURAGE: FAITH UNDER FIRE (DANIEL 3)

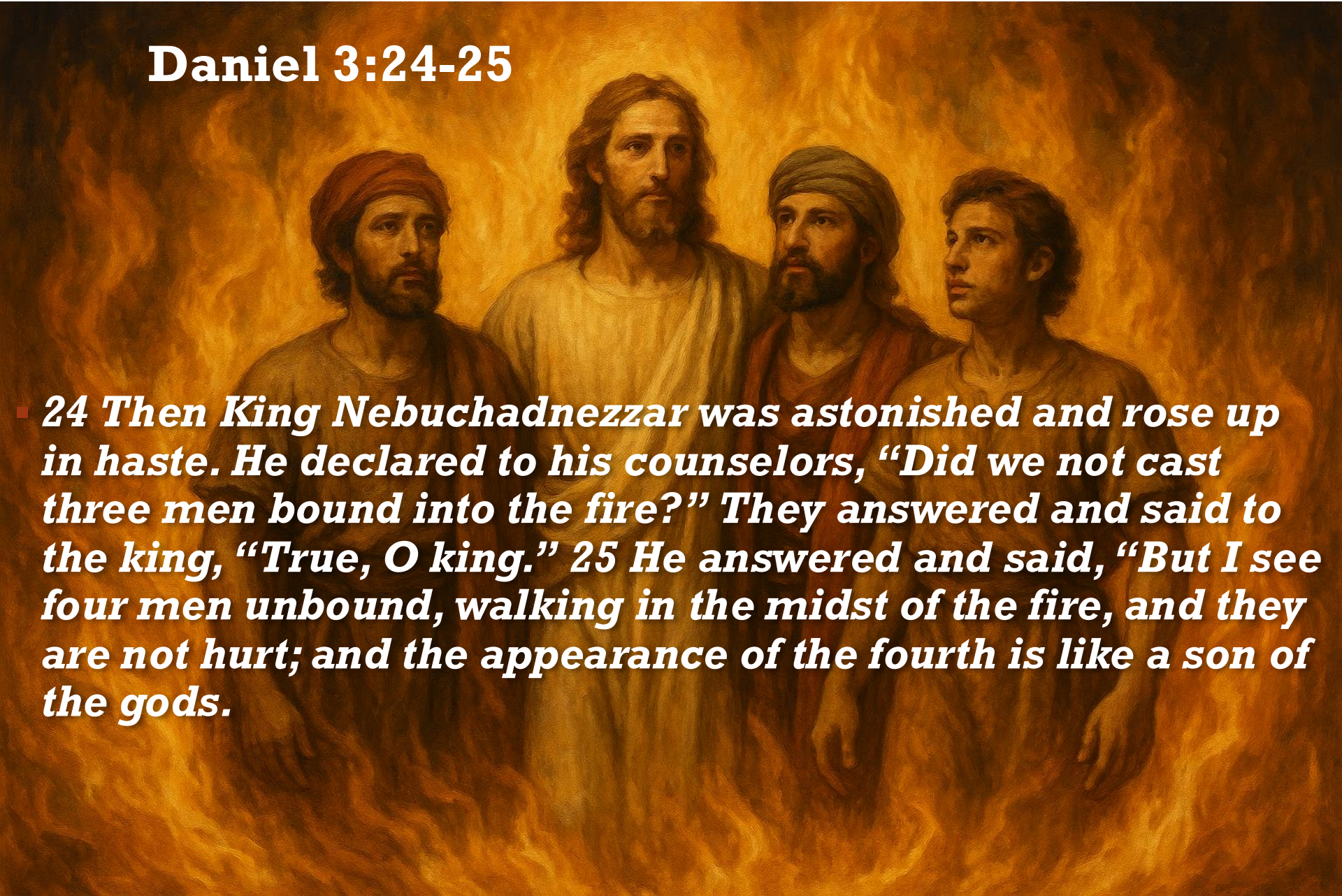
Daniel 3:16-18



➤ **Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. 17 If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king. 18 But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.”**

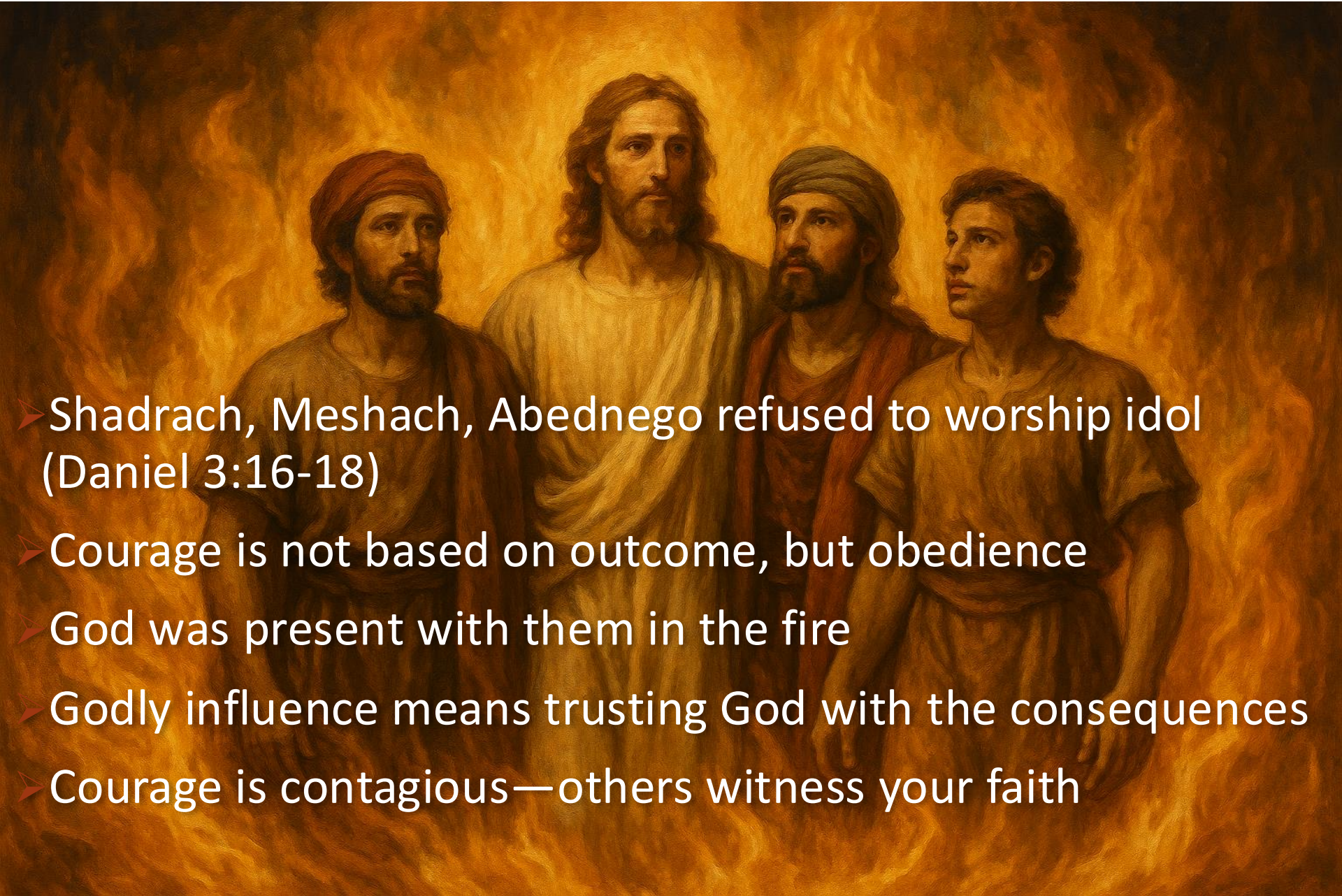
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Daniel 3:24-25



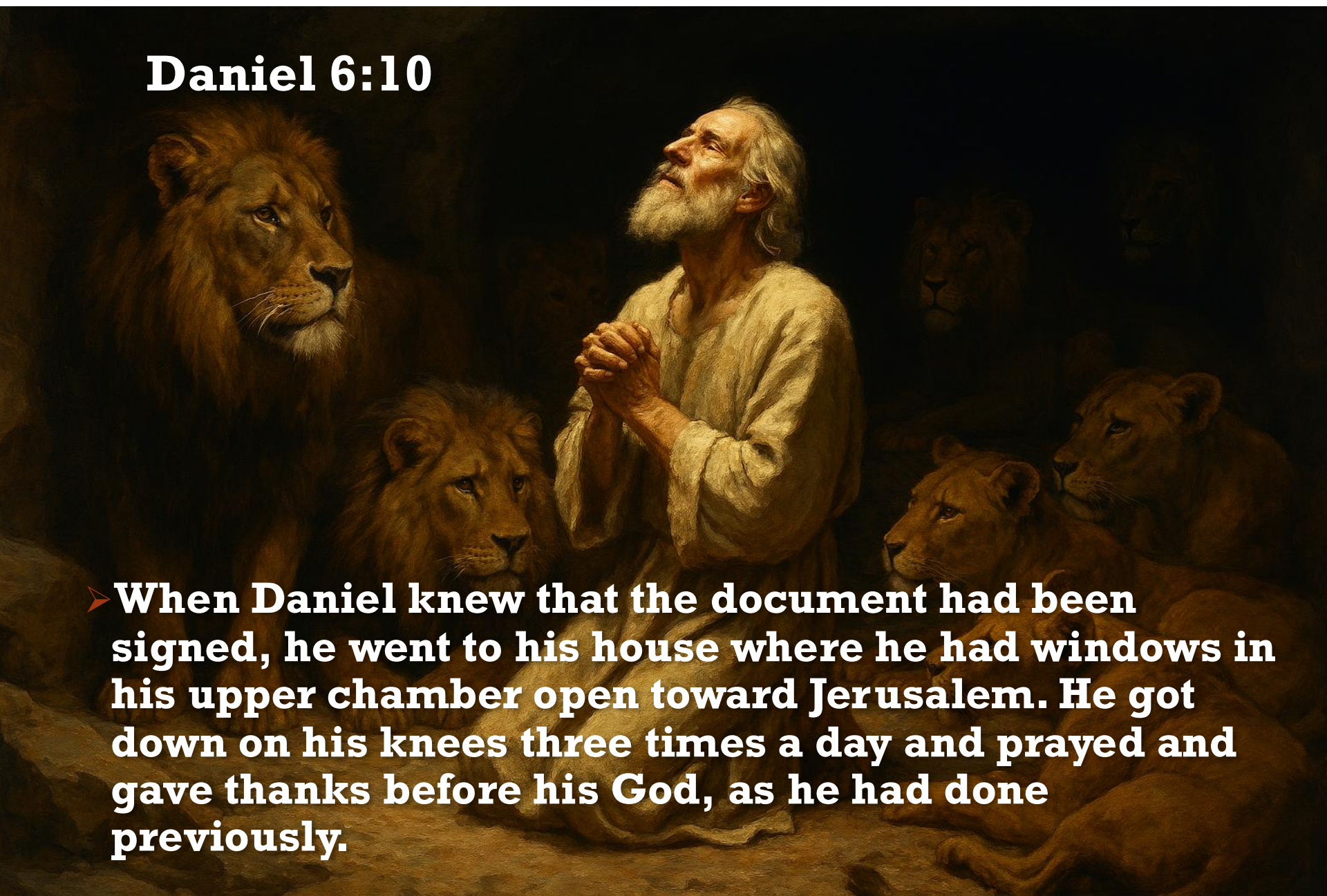
24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished and rose up in haste. He declared to his counselors, “Did we not cast three men bound into the fire?” They answered and said to the king, “True, O king.” 25 He answered and said, “But I see four men unbound, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods.

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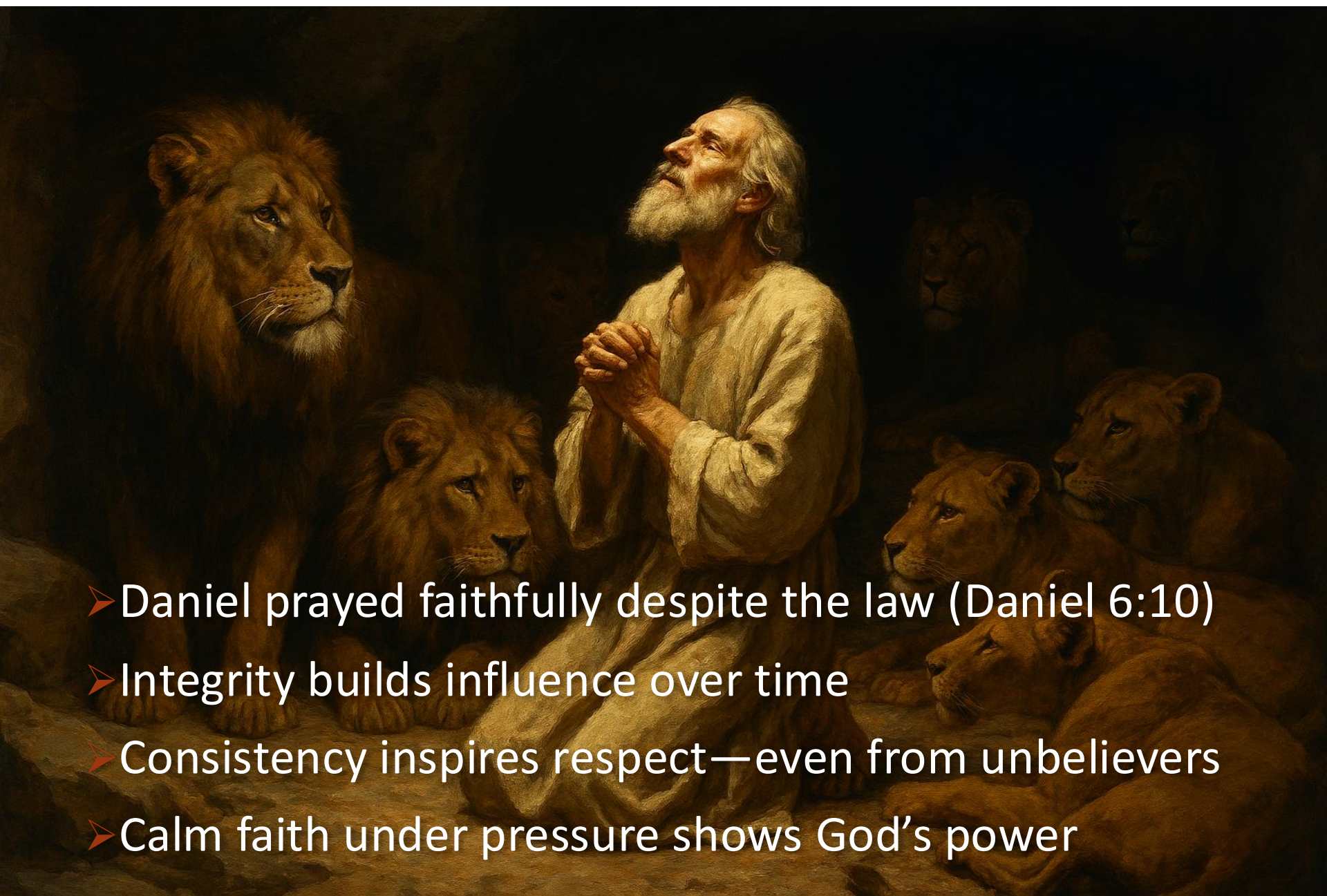
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- Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego refused to worship idol (Daniel 3:16-18)
 - Courage is not based on outcome, but obedience
 - God was present with them in the fire
 - Godly influence means trusting God with the consequences
 - Courage is contagious—others witness your faith

CONSISTENCY: INFLUENCE THROUGH INTEGRITY (DANIEL 6)

Daniel 6:10

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- **When Daniel knew that the document had been signed, he went to his house where he had windows in his upper chamber open toward Jerusalem. He got down on his knees three times a day and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as he had done previously.**

CONSISTENCY: INFLUENCE THROUGH INTEGRITY (DANIEL 6)

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- Daniel prayed faithfully despite the law (Daniel 6:10)
 - Integrity builds influence over time
 - Consistency inspires respect—even from unbelievers
 - Calm faith under pressure shows God's power

CONVICTION (DANIEL 1), COURAGE (DANIEL 3), CONSISTENCY (DANIEL 6)

- Be willing to stand, speak, and live for God
- You don't need a big platform—small faithfulness matters



**CONVICTION (DANIEL 1),
COURAGE (DANIEL 3),
CONSISTENCY (DANIEL 6)**

Where has God placed you to be a godly influence?

What steps will you take this week to live it out?

