

# **The Impact of a Righteous Life**

**Daniel 6:1-5 (6-26)**

## **Introduction:**

**A Vehicle for God's Glory** – means to be found useful to God regardless of your age, circumstances, or position in life. It is a foundational requirement for every Christian to bring God glory and that glory should be manifested and seen wherever God places you throughout your life.

*"God is unencumbered by the decisions of men."*

## **I. The Promotion vs. 1-3**

- a. Daniel was preferred above everybody else
- b. He had a "Right Attitude" in everything
- c. He had experience, wisdom, and leadership ability

## **II. The Plot vs. 4-9**

- a. Whenever a man is lifted up by the Lord to a place of prominence he falls into certain difficulty
- b. Daniel didn't have scandals in his life or in his dealings as a leader
- c. The group plotted to ensnare Daniel using the King
- d. They couldn't find anything in his life so the only thing they could use was his faith in God

## **III. The Perseverance vs. 10-11**

- a. When word got back to Daniel about the decree - he did like he had always done in his relationship and commitment to God - Prayed
- b. We must remember man can make their laws, but when they intersect and violate the laws of God we don't worry about those laws Acts 5:27-29

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### **IV. The Prosecution vss. 12-15**

- a. They got the decree in the morning
- b. Watched Daniel at noon to see if he would pray
- c. Told the King to make him enforce the decree
- d. Daniel never says a word in his defense

### **V. The Penalty vss. 16-17**

- a. Daniel was to be thrown into the lion's den
- b. Darius tells Daniel your God whom you constantly serve will Himself deliver you -

### **VI. The Preservation vss. 18-23**

- a. Early the next morning Darius hustled at 60 plus years to the lion's den
- b. Darius showed some faith in Daniel's God
- c. Darius cries out Daniels name and Daniel replies O King Live forever!
- d. God sent His angel and shut the mouth of the lions.

### **VII. The Punishment v.24**

- a. Those who accused Daniel along with all their family were thrown into the lion's den
- b. They were devoured before ever reaching the bottom.

### **VIII. The Proclamation vss. 25-26**

- a. One man literally affected an entire empire
- b. It doesn't take a lot of people, it just takes the right kind of people
- c. Darius' proclamation about Daniel's God made him sound like a Psalmist