

***Shadrach, Meshach And Abednego: Standing Tall In The Fiery  
Furnace Of Life!***

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**Daniel 3:1**, *King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold...<sup>5</sup>As soon as you hear the sound of ... all kinds of music, you must fall down and worship...<sup>6</sup>“Whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace.”...<sup>12</sup>“But there are some Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon—Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—who pay no attention to you, Your Majesty. They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold you have set up.”*

**How To Stand Up In The Fiery Furnace:**

- **Don't Be Surprised When Standing Up For God Makes Some People FURIOUS!**  
**Daniel 3:13**, *Furious with rage ... Nebuchadnezzar said to them, “Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the image of gold I have set up?*
- **Don't Be Surprised When You Are Given An ULTIMATUM!**  
**Daniel 3:15**, *... if you are ready to fall down and worship the image I made, very good. But if you do not worship it, you will be thrown immediately into a blazing furnace...*
- **Don't Let The Outcome Of The Furnace Determine Your FAITH!**  
**Daniel 3:16**, *Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied ...<sup>17</sup>If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it...<sup>18</sup>But even if He does not... we*

*will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”*

**Four Reminders For The Furnace Of Life:**

**1. God Is With You In The FURNACE**

**Daniel 3:24**, *Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, “Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?” They replied, “Certainly, Your Majesty.”*

**Hebrews 13:5**, *Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.”*

**2. The Furnace Burns Away Those Things That BIND YOU**

**Daniel 3:25**, *He said, “Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.”*

**3. The Furnace Draws UNBELIEVERS To God**

**Daniel 3:28**, *Then Nebuchadnezzar said, “Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent His angel and rescued His servants! They trusted in Him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.*

**4. The Furnace Of Life Leads To The BLESSINGS OF GOD**

**Daniel 3:30**, *Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in the province of Babylon.*

**Isaiah 43:2**, *When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.*