### THE MESSAGE

# Daniel: What do you do when life doesn't turn out like you planned?

Mark Pickerill

**Daniel 3:16-30 -** <sup>16</sup>Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you. <sup>17</sup>If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us. He will rescue us from your power, Your Majesty. <sup>18</sup>But even if he doesn't, we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up."

<sup>19</sup>Nebuchadnezzar was so furious with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego that his face became distorted with rage. He commanded that the furnace be heated seven times hotter than usual. 20Then he ordered some of the strongest men of his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace. <sup>21</sup>So thev tied them up and threw them into the furnace. fully dressed in their pants, turbans, robes. and other garments. <sup>22</sup>And because the king, in his anger, had demanded such a hot fire in the furnace, the flames killed the soldiers as they threw the three men in. <sup>23</sup>So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, securely tied. fell into the roaring flames. <sup>24</sup>But suddenly, Nebuchadnezzar jumped up in amazement and exclaimed to his advisers. "Didn't we tie up three men and throw them into the furnace?" "Yes, Your Majesty, we certainly did," they replied. <sup>25</sup>"Look!" Nebuchadnezzar shouted. "I see four men, unbound, walking around in the fire unharmed! And the fourth looks like a god!" <sup>26</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar came as close as he could to the door of the flaming furnace and shouted: "Shadrach. Meshach, and Abednego, servants of the Most High God. come out! Come here!" So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stepped out of the fire. <sup>27</sup>Then the high officers. officials, governors, and advisers crowded around them and saw that the fire had not touched them. Not a hair on their heads was singed, and their clothing was not scorched.

## **MESSAGE NOTES**

They didn't even smell of smoke!

<sup>28</sup>Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "Praise to the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego! He sent his angel to rescue his servants who trusted in him. They defied the king's command and were willing to die rather than serve or worship any god except their own God. <sup>29</sup>Therefore, I make this decree: If any people, whatever their race or nation or language, speak a word against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, they will be torn limb from limb, and their houses will be turned into heaps of rubble. There is no other god who can rescue like this!"

<sup>30</sup>Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to even higher positions in the province of Babylon.

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### **MINISTRIES**

Visit **CAchurch.com** for info on available ministries or email us: **info@cachurch.com** 

Men | Women | Fusion 18-35yrs | Life Groups CA Students (6th-12th) | Kids Church Thrive Growth & Recovery Counseling at The Relationship Center Kingdom & Evangelism

### **WAYS TO GIVE**









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#### **Financial Update**

2017 General Budget:

\$6,200,000

YTD 6.30.17 - Requirement:

\$2,980,769

YTD 6.30.17 - Offering:

\$3,279,406

June Kingdom (Blue Bucket) Offering: **\$35,869** YTD Kingdom Offering: **\$297,590** 

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### **WELCOME!**

# **INFORMATION**

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

We're so glad you've chosen to join us!

Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. That grace compels us to lead spiritually convinced and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.

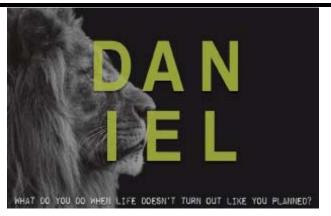
We don't profess to have all the answers. but we do believe there is a God who is worth knowing and following. Whether you are simply curious about Jesus or have been a long-time follower of Christ, we welcome you and are excited you are with us today.

Enjoy the service!

Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill Co-Lead Pastors

### **NEW?**

- We'd love to meet you! Stop by our **New People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.
- There is a **Connection Card** in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the offering bag or at the New People's Table.
- If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped a private **nursing room** for mothers. Just ask an usher!



Join us next weekend as we continue in this teaching series on the book of Daniel and learn how God is always at work even in times of suffering.



Join us for camp-style summer fun happening in each age group at all services. Invite your friends! For more info visit: cakidschurch.com/summer



Our Kids Church program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For

more information stop by the Kids Church tent or visit cakidschurch.com

# **Existudents**

Our junior high (grades 678) and high school programs are currently on

summer hiatus. Program will resume for high school on Wednesday, Aug 23 at 7pm and junior high on Saturday, Aug 26 at 6pm. For more info visit castudents.com



(Young Life in the Czech Republic)

September 23/24: hear from Doug and Sandy Schaupp (Intervarsity in Los Angeles)

#### **CA Internship**

Our volunteer internship program is designed to help you gain experience and discover if God is calling you to vocational ministry. Your last chance to apply is by Aug 1. Find more info and download an application at cachurch.com/internships

#### **Kids Church Summer Meet-Ups**

Cool off with a splash at Raging Waters on Aug 3. Meet at the entrance at 10am. Register no later than July 30 to receive discounted group rate of \$28.99. Come explore art exhibits at LACMA on Aug 8. Free admission. We will meet at the entrance at 12:30pm.

For more info: cakidschurch.com/summer

#### **Baptism**

Our next Baptism Weekend is Sept 9/10. If vou've decided to trust Jesus with your life and to follow him, we encourage you to proclaim your decision through baptism. There will be a mandatory class on Aug 20 at 1pm in Rm 100. For more info visit: cachurch.com/baptism

#### Life Group Fair

Join us for our Life Group Fair after all weekend services on Aug 26/27. Learn more about life groups, meet some life group leaders, and enjoy free snacks and drinks. We'll be ending services 30 minutes early so you can join us for the Fair! Location: Church Park (south side) Questions? Email getconnected@cachurch.com

#### Parking - Thanks!

We would love to thank all of those who park at one of our other lots: Target (two blocks west), Seventh Day Adventist (one block south), or the corner of College View at Colorado (one block northwest). Thanks for helping accommodate our guests!