

## **Biblical Manhood!!!!**

*“God blesses the man who **patiently endures testing and temptation**. Afterward he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him” James 1:12*

*“**remain faithful** even when **facing death**” Rev 2:10*

*“But Daniel was **determined not to defile himself**...” Daniel 1:8*

Daniel and his 3 friends after being taken captive had determined ahead of time to honor the Lord **no matter the consequences**.

The king made a gold statue 90 feet tall, and at the sound of all the instruments ... all peoples were to bow down to worship the statue ...

*“Anyone who refuses to obey will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace.”*

*Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied, “O King ...If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us... 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**.” Daniel 3*

This is what the **enemies** of Daniel said about him “... **but they couldn’t find anything to criticize or condemn**. He was **faithful, always responsible, and completely trustworthy**.<sup>5</sup> So they concluded, “**Our only chance of finding grounds for accusing Daniel will be in connection with the law of his God**.” Daniel 6:4-5

When Daniel had learned a law was signed that if anyone prayed to anyone other than the king he would be thrown into the den of lions ... *“he went home and knelt down **as usual** in his upstairs room, with its windows open toward Jerusalem. He prayed three times a day, **just as he had always done**, giving thanks to his God.” Daniel 6:10*

*Potiphar’s wife demanded of Joseph. “Come and sleep with me.” But Joseph refused. “How could I do such a wicked thing? **It would be a great sin against God**.” She kept putting pressure on Joseph **day after day**, but he **refused** to sleep with her, and he kept out of her way as much as possible. <sup>11</sup> One day ... She came and grabbed him by his cloak, demanding, “Come on, sleep with me!” Joseph tore himself away, and ran. Genesis 39*

### **P2R (Point 2 Remember):**

The core of a man’s life should be his relationship with God ...  
No man can be in right relationship with God without **Jesus!**