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Forerunner Example in Daniel

Daniel, a man of excellence in leadership in the midst of Babylonian government. He walked totally trusting God. What an amazing example regarding possibility of living pure even in the midst of darkness and evil. It is possible to prevail and display the power and grace of God.

Daniel had always set his heart to obey the Lord. This was once again put to the test. He continued steadfastly in his usual daily habit of prayer, resulting in his being thrown into a den of lions. Yet the Lord supernaturally delivered him from persecution. There was a sudden reversal of fates as Daniel's oppressors were thrown into the very lion's den that they had prepared for Daniel. The result of Daniel's testimony and God's deliverance was that the name of the Lord was exalted in the nations by King Darius (6:25-27). God's purpose is always to exalt His name.

David warned rulers and lawmakers in the end times not to make decrees against God or refuse to pay homage to His king (Ps. 2:10-12). Believers in the end times will face official decrees and laws intended to prevent them from worshiping the Lord.

Should we obey man rather than God, when man's law is clearly against the commands of the Lord? Daniel could have prayed in secret. But he prayed at his window with his arms held high to the Lord. End-time believers will face the question of whether or not they are willing to identify publicly with the Lord, even when it is unpopular or costly.

Practical: To be willing to stand for Jesus in the workplace before secular authorities.

Summary: We see six examples: one about the fasted lifestyle (Dan. 1), two about taking a stand for the Lord in the public arena, knowing that it could cost us our job or life (Dan. 3 and 6) and three about speaking prophetic dreams to secular authorities (Dan. 2, 4, and 5).