

When Your Beliefs are Belittled

Daniel - Week 3

(Daniel 1:17-20)

Standing Strong in Your Faith

“Whenever the king consulted them in any matter requiring wisdom and balanced judgment, he found them ten times more capable than any of the magicians and enchanters in his entire kingdom.” Daniel 1:20 (NLT)

1) Decide in advance to stand strong.

“But Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself...” Daniel 1:8 (NASB)

2) Never stop learning.

“To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning...”

Daniel 1:17 (NIV)

“Those who get wisdom do themselves a favor, and those who love learning will succeed.” Proverbs 19:8 (NCV)

3) Go deeper in God’s Word.

“Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.”

Joshua 1:8 (NIV)

“Your commands give me understanding; no wonder I hate every false way of life.” Psalm 119:104 (NLT)

4) Stay connected to other believers.

“God gave these four young men wisdom...” vs. 17 (NCV)

“Blessed is the one who does not WALK in step with the wicked or STAND in the way that sinners take or SIT in the company of mockers.”

Psalm 1:1 (NIV)