

**SERIES: The Book of Daniel--Faith Under Fire**  
**Message: Daniel in the Lions Den –**  
**God's Preservation of End-Time Believers**  
July 31, 2022 -- Heritage Church – Van Buren, AR  
Daniel 6:1-28

**BIG IDEA: GOD PRESERVES HIS FAITHFUL SERVANTS**

**I. ENVY SETS THE TRAP. (1-9)**

- A. DANIEL IS SUCCESSFUL (vs. 1-3)
- B. DANIEL IS ENVIED (vs 4-5)
- C. DANIEL IS TARGETED (vs. 6-9)

**II. ENEMIES SPRING THE TRAP (10-17)**

- A. DANIEL CONTINUES TO PRAY (vs. 10)  
Phil. 4:6
- B. DANIEL IS CAUGHT (vs. 11-15)
- C. DANIEL IS CAST INTO THE LIONS' DEN.

**III. ELAH/GOD SPOILS THE TRAP. (18-28)**

- A. DARIUS IS WORRIED (vs. 18-20)
- B. DANIEL IS DELIVERED (vs. 21-23)  
Psalm 23:4-5
- C. THE CONSPIRATORS ARE EXECUTED (vs. 24)

D. GOD IS EXALTED (25-27)

E. DANIEL PROSPERS (vs. 28)

**IV. QUALITIES OF DANIEL**

- A. EXCELLENT SPIRIT/ATTITUDE (vs. 3)
- B. FAITHFUL (vs. 4)
- C. FAULTLESS – no negligence or corruption (vs. 4)
- D. PRAYERFUL! (vs. 10) Matt. 6:33
- E. OBEYS GOD RATHER THAN PEOPLE (vs. 10)  
Acts 5:29
- F. SAVED BY FAITH (vs. 23), Eph. 2:8-9

**V. PARALLEL TO BOOK OF REVELATION**

- Persecution because of God's law
- Law passed commanding false worship
- Penalty was death
- The Law was about a man
- Deliverance by God IN/THROUGH the Trial
- Persecutors were thrown to the lions, Rev. 5:5  
Rev. 12:17, 13:15-17, 14:12, 19:11-16, 18:4-8

**NEXT STEP: DARE TO BE A DANIEL by DEVELOPING**

**DAILY DISCIPLINES**