

Daniel 6 Discussion Questions

- Daniel was clearly known for the “spirit” that was in him. What does it look like for someone to have an “excellent spirit” in ordinary life today? Where have you seen that embodied?
- Daniel’s faithfulness in his work made him a blessing to Babylon. How has God equipped you to be a blessing to Babylon in our own day? How does your faith in Christ make you a blessing to the world?
- Ben talked about the withdrawal mindset that wants to stay away from Babylon. What are the problems with this mindset?
 - How can we remain pure in our devotion to Christ without withdrawing from the world?
- Jeremiah told the Jews to pursue the welfare of the city they lived in—to build homes, have families, etc. What does this reveal about his source of hope and God’s purpose for His people?
 - Ben raised a self-assessment question: Is your long-term plan simply to endure Babylon until you’re able to leave? Or to seek God’s purpose wherever He has you?
- The high officials target Daniel specifically for his faith. How does Scripture equip us to stand in moments where our faith brings hostility?
- Spurgeon said, “The fear of God is the death of every other fear.” What other fears are competing with your fear of God?

- Why is it significant that Daniel immediately prayed with the window opened after he heard about the king's edict?
 - What daily rhythms are currently shaping your reflexes? What spiritual habits must be in place before a crisis if we want to stand firm in one?
- What does Daniel's disobedience here teach us about the limits of state authority?
 - What are some "open window" opportunities God has given you? How have you seen God work through those opportunities?
- Daniel didn't make a show of his faith, but neither did he hide it. What is the difference between performative faith and faithful visibility?
- Have you ever encountered friction with the world on account of your faith? Are you comfortable being seen as strange for your faith in Christ?
 - What are some ways you might be tempted to blend in with the world?
 - What would trusting God look like in your current "den"?
- In what ways is Jesus similar to Daniel? In what ways is He far greater?