GREATEST HITS

“I Won’t Back Down”

An Anthem of Resolve

Obedience isn’t the easiest way but it is the best way.

It’s possible to hold on to faith even when facing the most difficult circumstances.

Saying yes to God will cost you something.

Even some of God’s best
will face some of life’s worst.

The best case scenario is God is in charge of my worst case scenario.

King Jehoiakim

605 B.C.

Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah.

Daniel 1:6 NIV

The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego.

Daniel 1:7 NIV

But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way.

Daniel 1:8 NIV

To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning…

Daniel 1:17 NIV

In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.

Daniel 1:20 NIV

King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold, sixty cubits high and six cubits wide, and set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon.

Daniel 3:1 NIV

…Whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace.”

Daniel 3:6 NIV

Furious with rage,
Nebuchadnezzar summoned
Shadrach, Meshach and
Abednego. So these men were
brought before the king,

Daniel 3:13 NIV

But if you do not worship it, you will be thrown immediately into a blazing furnace. Then what god will be able to rescue you from my hand?”

Daniel 3:15 NIV

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter.

Daniel 3:16 NIV

If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand.

Daniel 3:17 NIV

In the face of a future you can’t control, there is peace in knowing that your Heavenly Father is in control.

But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

Daniel 3:18 NIV

God can. God may not.

Either way we are going to be okay.

“Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!” So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire,

Daniel 3:26 NIV

They trusted in him and defied the king’s command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God.

Daniel 3:28 NIV

Faith isn’t receiving the things from God we wanted as much as it is learning to receive from God the things we didn’t want.