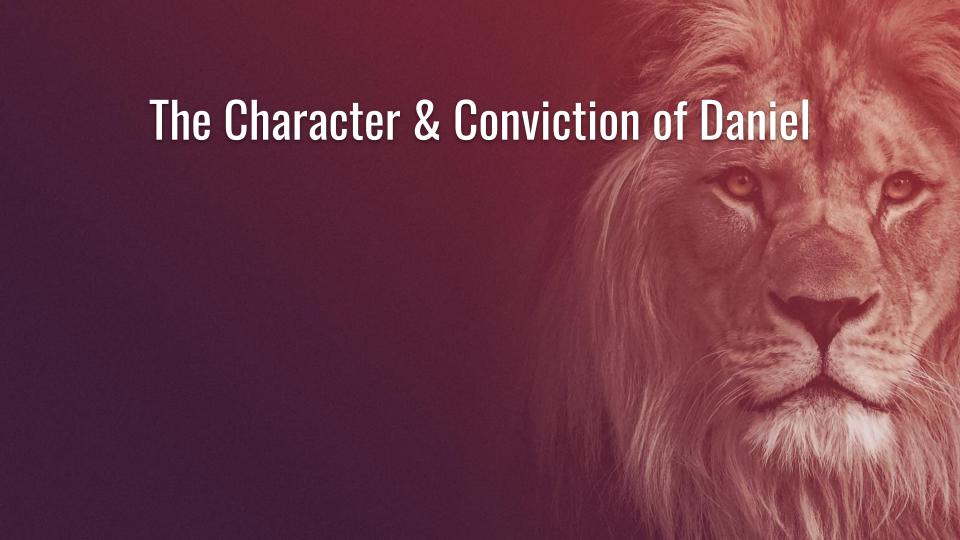
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CONVICTION IN A CULTURE OF COMPROMISE



*Amon (Did what was evil in the Lord's sight, just as his father had done) \rightarrow *Josiah (Did what was pleasing in the Lord's sight, followed example of David)

2 Kings 21:19-23:28

'...David's conscience began bothering him because he had cut Saul's robe...'

Saul- the Lord's anointed one

1 Samuel 24

'David confessed to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

2 Samuel 12:13

'...Never before had there been a king like Josiah, who turned to the Lord with all his heart and soul and strength...'

2 Kings 23:25?

"...young men of Judah's noble families....select only strong, healthy, and good-looking young men...well versed in every branch of learning...gifted...good sense...poise.'

Daniel 1:3-4

'Teach these young men the language and literature of the Babylonians...provide the best food and wine...that some of them would be made advisors...'

Daniel 1:4-5





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'Now <u>God had given</u> the chief official great respect for Daniel'

Daniel 1:9

"David said to Saul, 'Don't worry about a thing, I'll go fight this Philistine!' 'Don't be ridiculous!' Saul replied....'You are only a boy and he has been in the army since he was a boy!""

1 Samuel 17:32

"But David persisted...... 'The Lord who saved me from the lion and the bear will save me from this Philistine!"

1 Samuel 17:34-37

'Today, the Lord will conquer you, and I will kill you.....and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel!'

1 Samuel 17:46

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"In all matters requiring wisdom and balanced judgement, the king found the advice of these to be ten times better than all (his other advisors) in his entire kingdom.

Daniel 1:20

King Nebuchadnezzar's Seeks Dream and Interpretation.

Daniel 2

"When Arioch came to kill them, Daniel handled the situation with wisdom and discretion...'Why has the king issued such a harsh decree?'

Daniel 2:14-15

"Daniel went at once to the king and requested more time so he could tell the king what the dream meant."

Arioch quickly took Daniel to the king and said, "I have found one of the captives from Judah who will tell Your Majesty the meaning of your dream"

"Is it true? Can you tell me what my dream was and what it means?

Daniel reponds, saying no one can, 'But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets....'

Daniel 2:26-28

"...it is not because I am wiser than any living person that I know the secret of your dream, but because God wanted you to understand what you were thinking about."

'The great God has shown Your Majesty what will happen in the future."

The king said to Daniel, 'Truly, your God is the God of gods, the Lord over kings...

- Shadrach, Meshaach, & Abednego and the Fiery Furnace. Chapter 3
- Nebuchadnezzar's Dream about a Tree.
 Chapter 4
- Daniel in the Lions' Den. Chapter 6

'Always be joyful. Keep on praying. No matter what happens, always be thankful, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.'

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18