



the Leap

Daring to Trust God (Completely)

Flames and Tightropes The Leap – Session Two Daniel 3:13-27

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Last week we revved up the engines of faith with Evel Knievel. This week we have taken a walk on the wire with Nik Wallenda...all in all, pretty thrilling stuff – right? This study guide is designed to help you dive deeper into the sermon "Flames and Tightropes," focusing on the theme of risk and the power of faith demonstrated by Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Each day includes journaling questions to reflect on your faith journey and how God is present in your challenges. So grab you a quiet time to get away with God, get a Bible, a pen, and crack open your journal...get started!

Day 1: The Pressure to Conform

Read Daniel 3:13-15
Question: Reflect on a time when you felt pressured to conform to societal expectations. How did you respond, and what role did your faith play in that situation?

Day 2: The Stand of Faith

Read Daniel 3:16-18
Question: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego boldly declared their faith in God. What does it mean to you to stand firm in your beliefs, even when faced with opposition? Write about a situation where you had to be bold in your faith.

Day 3: Understanding the Risks

Read Daniel 3:19-23
Question: Consider the risks Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego took by refusing to bow to the statue. What risks do you feel God is asking you to take in your life? Are there fears holding you back? How can you confront those fears?

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Day 4: God's Presence in Trials

Read Daniel 3:24-25

Question: When Nebuchadnezzar saw the fourth figure in the fire, it signified God's presence.

Reflect on a difficult time when you felt God was with you.

How did that experience shape your faith?

Day 5: The Outcome of Faith

Read Daniel 3:26-27

Question: After the trial, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego emerged unharmed.

What blessings or growth have you experienced after facing a trial or challenge in your faith?

How has God shown you that He is faithful?

Day 6: Sharing Your Faith Story

Read Daniel 3:28-30

Question: King Nebuchadnezzar praised God after witnessing the miracle.

How can sharing your own faith story inspire others?

Write about a time you shared your faith and its impact on someone else.

Day 7: Living with Courage

Read Daniel 3:18 (focus on "but if not")

Question: The phrase "but if not" reflects a deep trust in God's plan.

What are you currently facing that requires courage and trust in God, regardless of the outcome?

How can you prepare to live boldly in your faith?



As you go through this seven-day journaling journey, take time to pray and reflect on how God has been present in your life, especially during trials. Trust that He walks with you through the flames, empowering you to take leaps of faith.

Feel free to revisit these questions whenever you want to deepen your understanding of faith and the courage to stand firm in your beliefs. Remember, God is with you in every step you take!