

JCS FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

Week 2 Day 2

4 Young Men

1. How have you done at casting your care on Him

1 Peter 5:6-7 (ESV) “Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.”

2. Today verses are the start of a story about 4 young men. Middle school age young men and how they casted their care on God. Today we will read the start of the story today.

Daniel 1:1-7 Living Bible (TLB)

“Three years after King Jehoiakim began to rule in Judah, Babylon’s King Nebuchadnezzar attacked Jerusalem with his armies, and the Lord gave him victory over Jehoiakim. When he returned to Babylon, he took along some of the sacred cups from the Temple of God and placed them in the treasury of his god in the land of Shinar. ³⁻⁴Then he ordered Ashpenaz, who was in charge of his palace personnel, to select some of the Jewish youths brought back as captives—young men of the royal family and nobility of Judah—and to teach them the Chaldean language and literature.* “Pick strong, healthy, good-looking lads,” he said; “those who have read widely in many fields, are well informed, alert and sensible, and have enough poise to look good around the palace.”

⁵The king assigned them the best of food and wine from his own kitchen during their three-year training period, planning to make them his counselors when they graduated.

⁶Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah were four of the young men chosen, all from the tribe of Judah. ⁷However, their superintendent gave them Babylonian names, as follows:

Daniel was called Belteshazzar; Hananiah was called Shadrach; Mishael was called Meshach; Azariah was called Abednego.”

3. What do you think these young men’s level of anxiety or worry were on a scale of 1-10?
4. They left home, left family, taken captive, given new names, etc. What would your level have been if your life was changed in this way? Why?
5. Continue to memorize this week’s verse: casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. 1 Peter 5:7
6. It is like casting the ball and walking away before it hits the ground. Trust Him that much!

Happy Tuesday! I’m praying for you day this morning. Please send any requests or blessings to my email or text them to my cell. If I can help in any way please call.

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