

Daniel in the Lion's Den Daniel 6-9

Lesson 89 Visuals

- Darius the Mede became king over the Medo-Persian empire.
- King Darius appointed 3 administrators and 120 satraps.
- Daniel was the administrator who stood out to King Darius because of his wisdom, skill and integrity.
- King Darius planned to put Daniel in charge of his entire kingdom.
- The other administrators and satraps tried to stop Daniel from being the one in charge.
- They tried to find a way to get Daniel in trouble.
 But they could find nothing that Daniel had done wrong.
- Daniel was neither corrupt nor negligent. He did everything he was supposed to do.



- These men said, "We will never find any basis for charges against Daniel unless it has something to do with the law of his God."
- The administrators and satraps went to the king and got him to make it a law that for the next thirty days, people could only pray to King Darius.
- If anyone prayed to any god or man except the king, that person would be thrown into the lions' den.
- They urged the king to put the law in writing.
 Once a law was in writing, the law could not be changed.
- When Daniel learned that he would be thrown in the lion's den if he prayed to his God, he went home and prayed to his God.
- Daniel did not change the way he prayed or even the location of where he normally prayed.



- The administrators and satraps told King Darius that Daniel still prays to his God three times a day.
- King Darius was very upset when he found out because he loved Daniel and didn't want to throw him in the lion's den.
- King Darius wanted Daniel's God to rescue Daniel.
- A stone was placed over the mouth of the lion's den, making it impossible for Daniel to escape.
- King Darius could not eat or do anything all night because he was so concerned for Daniel.
- God shut the mouths of the lions.
- The people thrown into the lion's den were immediately killed.
- King Darius wrote to all the people throughout the kingdom to tell about the God of Daniel who does miracles and saves people.
- Daniel had a dream with four beasts. The first beast was a lion.



- The angel Gabriel explained to Daniel that these four beasts represented four kingdoms that were coming in the future.
- The fourth beast who was terrifying and powerful will attack and wage war on God's people.
- But then God will establish God's kingdom.
- The kingdom of God will rule and reign forever.