

## ***Studies In The Book Of Daniel*** ***“The Resolute Man”***

### ***Lesson 2***

Please begin your study through the Book of Daniel by reading the entire book this week. Look for verses that would help you understand why Daniel wrote this book, what the main message and how this book applies to your life. Also read the “Book of Daniel Introduction”.

#### **Read Daniel 1:9 – 21**

**Introduction:** *When we build a house, the most critical aspect is not putting up the wallpaper or choosing the exterior color. These really have no bearing on the house’s ability to protect it from outside forces. The most important procedure is actually laying a solid foundation. If we fail to do that properly, the rest is of no consequence. The same is true of our spiritual life. In many ways, the most crucial time in our lives is our youth. During that period we “lay the foundation” for the rest of our life. We set our course, develop certain habits and attitudes, and make life-changing decisions. From the story in this text, we see how Daniel and his friends were young men of purpose who refused to let the Babylonian system “squeeze them into its mold.” Their story shows us that it is possible to live a life of conviction and purpose in a hostile and ungodly setting.*

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1. According to Daniel 1:9 what did God do for Daniel?
  - What concern did the chief of eunuchs have when Daniel refused the king’s delicacies according to Daniel 1:10?

2. According to Daniel 1:11 – 14 what was Daniel's answer to the problem they were facing not to compromise by eating the king's delicacies?

- Who did Daniel include in this test according to Daniel 1:11?

- According to Daniel 1:15 – 16 what was the results of this test?

3. What did God give these young men according to Daniel 1:17?

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- What special gifts did God give to Daniel only?

4. According to Daniel 1:18 – 20 at the end of the three years of training. What was the result of king Nebuchadnezzar interview with these four young men?
  - Who were these young men ten times better than?
  
5. According to Ephesians 6: 5 – 8 what should be my work ethic?
  - What was the apostle Paul's attitude and work ethic as he labored for the Lord according to 1 Thessalonians 2: 9 – 12 and Acts 20: 34 – 35?
  
6. According to Daniel 1: 21 how long did Daniel continue in his government position? What was Daniel's work ethic according to Daniel 4: 48 and 6:3?