

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: February 10, 2016
Daniel 1

1. What is happening in Daniel 1:1-2?
 - a. This sounds like what we read about in 2 Kings 24
 - b. 2 Chronicles 36:6

2. What is happening in Daniel 1:3-5?
 - a. This is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophesy to Hezekiah (see 2 Kings 20:18).
 - b. The king brought the best and the brightest of the royal household to serve in his palace.
 - c. The chief of the court officials was to teach them the language and literature of the Babylonians.
 - d. They were trained for three years and then entered the king's service.

3. Who were the young men that were taken?
 - a. We don't know all of them.
 - b. Among them were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.
 - c. Belteshazzar, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

4. Why did the chief official change their names?
 - a. To make everything more confusing.
 - b. Because their former names meant: God is judge, the Lord is gracious, the Lord is my Help, and who is like God?
 - c. Their new names meant: Bel will protect, inspired of Aku, belonging to Aku, and servant of Nego
 - d. Perhaps to take away their hope, to take away their faith and culture, and/or to identify them with Babylon instead of their homeland.

5. What did Daniel do in verse 8? _____

6. How do you respond to things in the world that others don't consider a problem, but clearly contradict God's will for you? _____

7. Do you trust God enough to test his faithfulness when you obey? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

8. What does verse 19-20 say about Daniel and these other young men? _____

9. Why do you think this was? _____

10. According to verse 21, how long did Daniel remain in the king's palace? _____

