# **Committed**

## Walking with Jesus in a Post-Christian Generation

#### No Accident

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#### 2 Questions:

- 1. Daniel honored God in every area of his life, how about me?
  - a) Would others who know us and work around us say God is our advocate?
- 2. Were there practices in his life that guided him to this result?
  - **a)** Whether we acknowledge them or not, we are who we are largely because of our life practices.

Series Thread: To live a God-honoring life in a culture that does not always honor God, we start with keeping our commitment.

Message Thread: Choose your practices well.

Daniel's story offers a few key insights.

#### Worked with excellence.

- Daniel 6:1-4 NLT
  - o Daniel's whole life revealed God to others.
- Colossians 3:23-24 NLT
  - Scripture reveals that what seems like secular work/efforts has eternal/spiritual reward attached to it.

## When will I experience God today?

- Daniel 6:10-11 NLT
  - o Chair Time challenge (3-5 days a week for 15 minutes).
  - Be PRESENT when the church gathers.
  - It's about GIVING and receiving.
    - Giving of our HEARTS in worship, and our time, talents, and treasure to further the Kingdom of God.
    - RECEIVING;
      - What you need for the moment.
      - What's going to be needed for the days ahead.

 Come with EXPECTATION for the miraculous and that you will EXERIENCE GOD.

#### **Daniel 1:8 NLT**

- What will I STOP?
- What will I START?
- What will I TRUST God for?

### Who will I pull close?

- Daniel 1:6 NLT
- Daniel 1:11-12 NLT
  - Daniel was not alone.
  - Daniel wasn't trying to navigate Babylon alone.
  - o Are you ALONE?

## Where will I place my faith?

• What evidence do you submit to others and to God that your faith is in JESUS?

#### **Daniel 10:11-12 NLT**

## **Challenge:**

• What practices do I want to focus on?

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