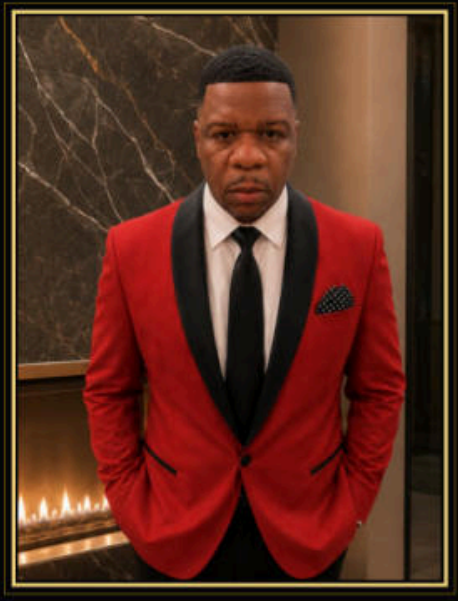
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SAGA 8 OF 10 — THE THREE HEBREW CHILDREN

All Scripture is from the King James Version. The words of Jesus are printed in red.

This book holds one saga by itself, with the same words shared on its morning.

THE KEY VERSE

"If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up." — DANIEL 3:17-18

THE SAGA — THE THREE HEBREW CHILDREN (DANIEL 3)

King Nebuchadnezzar built a golden image ninety feet high and commanded the whole empire: when the music plays, bow down and worship — or burn. Everyone bowed. Everyone, that is, except three young Hebrews far from home: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Dragged before the furious king and given one more chance to bow, they answered with the calmest courage in the Bible:

> "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine

hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up." — DANIEL 3:17-18

They were thrown in bound, and the fire was so hot it killed the men who threw them. But when the king looked in, he saw four men walking loose in the flames — and the fourth was "like the Son of God." They came out without even the smell of smoke on their clothes. Jesus said true worshipers worship the Father in truth. These three teach what truth costs — and Who walks with us in the fire when we will not bow.

JESUS IN THIS SAGA

The king saw a fourth man in the fire, "like the Son of God." Long before Bethlehem, Jesus was already walking with His people in the fire — and He still does. His promise has never changed:

> … "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee." — HEBREWS 13:5

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THIS SAGA

Where did three young men get that kind of boldness? The same place God's people still get it — the Holy Spirit:

> … "they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness." — ACTS 4:31

CARRY THIS WITH YOU TODAY

The three Hebrews said "but if not" — they would refuse even if God did not deliver them. What makes worship like that different from a bargain?

— From “Worshiping the Father in Spirit and in Truth,” a 10-day devotional by Terrell Powell, Open Collaboration

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Write down one place where you must not bow — and your "but if not" prayer of trust.



ABOUT THIS SAGA

The music played, the empire bowed — and three young Hebrews stood still. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego would not worship the golden image, even if it cost them the fire. And in the fire, the king saw a fourth man walking with them.

This is the eighth saga. It is worship that will not bow: the truth held onto whatever it costs, with God in the fire beside you.

This book is Saga 8 of 10 from "Worshiping the Father in Spirit and in Truth." Each saga also has its own book, and all ten sagas stand together in the full book.

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— DANIEL 3:17 (KJV)

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