

## Lesson-05 Study Guide: Fierce Faith in the Fiery Furnace

**Lesson Focus Passage:** [Daniel 3](#)

**Background:** Up to this point in our study, **Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego** have been standing in the shadows. They are part of the story only so far as **Daniel** is part of the story.

Now they are at center stage; now they take the limelight. Now isolated from their leader, we will see what they are really made of.

**Read the following passages and answer the questions that follow**

[Acts 4:18-22; 5:23-29](#) ; [Psalm 91](#)

1. What is the difference between Daniel finding a “creative alternative” in his situation ([Daniel 1:11-14](#)) and his three friends being willing to die instead of finding another solution?
2. How would you compare the Apostles’ response in the Acts passages to the response of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego? Were the apostles ready to give up their lives?
3. What have you learned about the three Hebrew men (and Daniel) so far that makes them qualify for the protection described in [Psalm 91](#)?