

Master Outlines of Daniel

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When They Call For Open Mindedness Daniel 3

- I. God's Rule Challenged By Pluralism
 - A. Humanism's Ideal - Unity For A Pluralistic Society (v. 1)
 - 1. A common king (v. 1a)
 - 2. A common devotion (v. 1b)
 - 3. A centralized order (v. 1c)
 - B. Humanism's Problem (vv. 2-4)
 - 1. Administrative diversity
 - 2. Diversity of nationality
 - 3. Diversity of region
 - 4. Diversity of language
 - C. Humanism's Solution (vv. 5-7)
 - 1. Impose minimal conformity
 - 2. Make conformity attractive
 - 3. Make non-conformity unattractive

Applications:

- 1. We must defend the crown rights of King Jesus over every area of life.
- 2. We must recognize the dangers of pluralism.
- 3. We must take the first and second commandments seriously.
- 4. There can only be lasting unity in Christ.
- 5. There should be unity in Christ while respecting these four areas of diversity (I.B.)
- 6. Conformity will never be sufficient. There must be transformation by grace.