

Introduction: [Daniel 6:23](#)

Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

Note:

It is not always the case that people are glad, that you believed in Christ...[2 Thessalonians 3:2](#)

And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not faith.

Summary concerning Daniel:

“because Daniel believed in his God”

1. Daniel was taken from his place, people and the place of worship.
2. Daniel refused the Kings meat. [Daniel 1:8-12](#) / and choose Pulse
3. Daniel interceded concerning Nebuchadnezzars dream [Daniel 2:14-18](#).
4. Daniel was sought by the King because of the Spirit that was in him [Daniel 4:9](#) and Nebuchadnezzar learnt that the God of heaven is the Potter and we are the clay.
5. Daniel revealed the truth without compromise. (this is what God said..)
6. Daniel became a testimony to the Nations who was the true and living God.
7. Daniel once again was lifted up in the kingdom, and God was given the preeminence [Daniel 6:26](#).

Note:

Daniel is a type of Christ/ as Joseph was , but Falls short when it comes to the word preeminence. [Daniel 2:46](#). *Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.*

Concerning Jesus Christ /

[Colossians 1:18](#)

And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

[Philippians 2:10](#)

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

Revelation 1:8

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

III

In 1986 i was sitting in my kitchen at Boonah where God gave me my first out line. It was from John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

The out line was this; That Gods love was perfect, he gave his Son: That Gods love was found in the Person of his Son: That Gods love was to be portrayed in those that would believe. (Portrayed is means to be seen, or manifest as God was manifested in the flesh...

John 1:14

And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Statement:

Daniel proves the reality of who he believed in, by the fact it was manifested as should be John 3:16 in those that believe)

Lesson:

We would probably all say I do believe in John 3:16, but to portray it, so Gods love so it can be seen in me the believer a total reality seems to escape me.

1. We all live in the lions den, and we all have been bitten or damaged. (The kingdoms of this world belong to the devil.)
2. Daniel said to the King Darius these words v22 **“that they have not hurt me”**. (Daniel also indicates that he did not worship any other gods or what Ephesians said 2:1-3)
3. The reality is this, we do believe but we have fallen short when it come to the word **“because”**
 1. **What causes me to behave in a particular manner:**
 2. **What causes me to fall short of the reality of John 3:16.**

Note:

The mouth of the Lions were shut “because” Daniel believed in his God...Or can people say about the believer behaviour is “because” they have believed in their God **John 3:16**.

A. Because of damage.

1. Infirmity:
2. Excuses
3. Martyr complex/ a Martyr believes others should be healed yet they haven't been healed.

Lesson

Let's make the church the pool and the waters is the word of God which is moved by the Holy Ghost. (And God says get in, this is where I want you..)

- The man was there.
- But because of holding onto blame, his or her crutch, rather than just plunging in which would have made the man like everyone else.

Note:

Jesus turned up and brought the man to the place where it was just him and the true and living God. “ And because of the true and living God the man was made whole.

(Understand God has already saved the world, **1 John 2:1-2**,but it is up to us to believe **John 3:16** *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*)

- Yes i do believe in him. (Yes I do believe in him, and because I believe in him I will not perish, because God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son...)
 1. It is not that I understood all that Jesus Christ had come to.
 2. But I did understand that Gods love is manifest in the believer, because of our testimony...“I wont perish”
- Yes i do believe “but” ...

B. Because of debt. Matthew 18:23-

1. The servant saw it as an extension to pay the debt.

Note:

The fact of the matter he could never ever pay the debt..(10,000 shekels, the women with the alabaster **Mark 14:3-5** ...(**sold for more than 300 pence**..)

1. The man owed his Master **v24** Ten thousand talents:
 1. The Hebrew was a Gold coin.
 2. Estimate of paying one Talent would be equivalent of 20 year wages.
2. The servant was owed or could collect 100 pence **v28**
3. A Biblical debt is found in this verse. **Romans 3:23** *For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; (fallen short)*
 1. The feeling of debt: he had fallen bellow the standard/ or found wanting as found in the measure of the scales. (Christ in the believer means that we have no longer fallen short.)
 2. Feeling of dept to be paid is shown up in our relationship:Parents, Husband, Wives, Children, Employers, friends and family relationships.

Lesson:

Failure begins when we don't understand or receive, can show up 1st buy.

1. Buy excuses.
2. By becoming the martyr.
3. By understanding that God says there is no way you can pay that debt **John 3:16**.
 1. Gods Grace is not an extension of time to pay back the debt.
 2. The feeling of thinking you are intended to a debt is not from God. (We have all been bit and we all have hurt somebody else.)
 3. Our assurance to pay the debt is our misunderstanding of **John 3:16**.
 4. It is impossible for us to forgive the debt other people owe us (100 pence) if we haven't listened to the Master...

Note:

The servant wasn't called wicked, but in a sense became wicked by way of his behaviour. (Christians?)

5. Pride is seen when believe we can reach a goal that only God can...."I will pay it"

1. Yet God has already payed it **1 John 1:1-2**.
2. But will you receive it...**John 3:16**.

Note

When we hurt someone by our behaviour, by either trying to find justice, or in this case trying to get the little bit of money injustice owed by another, or by trying back a debt to someone else, by the misunderstanding that you owe them.

(The point is that **John 3:16** applies to whosoever...)

Statement:

Don't create in others the wrong premises by continuing to try to pay back a debt you think you owe them. (Relationships). This will produce in the other person a victim mentality where they believe you, others and God owes them something, where rather they need to see they also have debt to pay, and that it was payed **John 3:16, 1 John 2:1-2**.

4. We need to listen to a point that we can receive.
 1. Faith cometh by hearing **Romans 10:10-13**.
 2. The man by the pool was a believer but rather he choose the victim mentality...
 1. The victim mentality comes from a place that you think you are owed.
 1. The excuse comes around that I don't have a debt so I don't need to plunge in and be forgiven.
 2. Instead of receiving forgiveness they pay their debt out in by trying to heal others.
5. Jesus said wilt thou be made whole? (Man by the pool)
 1. Receive what I can give you?
6. The Master says to the servant would you listen and receive what I can do for you?

Note:

In both cases is had to do with receiving forgiveness from the debt we ow, rather than coming up with our own plan. "I will pay back" Or I don't need forgiveness but others do. "Victim mentality"

John 3:16 covers both.

Statement:

If I have received Gods forgiveness, then I need to portray that by forgiving others. As soon as the person has done that the rug is taken out from our feet, which Leads to the fact we need to forgive our number one enemy (which is us and our guilt)

7. Self Atonement doesn't work, but Gods Atonement does work **Romans 5:11**.
1. We can joy in God because he has forgiven us and we can learn to forgive ourselves by way of Gods Atonement....His blood.
 2. Thats what it meant when God said he gave his only begotten Son...(The blood appeases the Master because it is the down payment for the debt we ow)

Note:

Because our guilt is taken care of John 3:16 we can stop the mouth of the lions accusations. (You ow them and they ow me)

C. Because of deliverance. James 4:7-8

1. Draw night to God.
2. Because he is your God.
3. No hurt.