## LIVING OUT OUR FAITH WITHOUT COMPROMISE A Single Sermon Study Psalm 41, 44, Galatians 2, Daniel 6, 10 *August 5, 2018*

#### Daniel was a man of integrity.

Psalm 41:11-12 - I know that you are pleased with me, for my enemy does not triumph over me. Because of my integrity you uphold me and set me in your presence forever.

#### Fear will cause us to become internally divided.

Psalm 11:1-3 NIV – In the Lord I take refuge. How then can you say to me: "Flee like a bird to your mountain. For look, the wicked bend their bows; they set their arrows against the strings to shoot from the shadows at the upright in heart. When the foundations are being destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

## Role conflict can cause us to become internally divided.

## **<u>Status</u>** change can cause us to become internally divided.

Galatians 2:11-13 <sup>11</sup> When Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood condemned.<sup>12</sup> For before certain men came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But when they arrived, he began to draw back and separate himself from the Gentiles because he was afraid of those who belonged to the circumcision group.<sup>13</sup> The other Jews joined him in his hypocrisy, so that by their hypocrisy even Barnabas was led astray.

## Daniel was <u>devoted</u> to God.

Daniel 6:10 – Three times a day... just as he had done before

#### Daniel was thankful.

Daniel 6:10 – he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God,

## Daniel <u>feared</u> <u>God</u> not man.

Deuteronomy 10:12-13 - And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God ask of you but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in obedience to him, to love him, to serve

the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, <sup>13</sup> and to observe the LORD's commands and decrees that I am giving you today for your own good?

## Daniel trusted God.

Daniel 6:23b – And when Daniel was lifted from the den, no wound was found on him, because he had trusted in his God.

# Daniel <u>lived</u> out his faith.

Daniel 6:5 – Finally these men said, "We will never find any basis for charges against this man Daniel unless it has something to do with the law of his God."

When we live a life of <u>integrity</u>, sharing the <u>gospel</u>, living out our <u>faith</u>, and standing for what is <u>right</u>, we <u>will</u> end up in the <u>lion's den</u>.