

**STRONGER**

**Part 1 | Undefined**

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**Text: DANIEL 1:8**

*But Daniel resolved that he would not defile himself with the king's food, or with the wine that he drank. Therefore he asked the chief of the eunuchs to allow him not to defile himself.*

**One undefined decision determined Daniel's destiny**

**What's in a name?**

Hananiah = "Yahweh Is Gracious"  
Shadrach = "Command of Aku"

Mishael = "Who Is Like Yahweh?"  
Meshach = "Who is like Aku?"

Azariah = "Yahweh Is My Helper"  
Abednego = "Servant of Nergal - god of war & death"

Daniel = "Yahweh Is My Judge"  
Belteshazzar = "Bel - Sun god"

**PHILIPPIANS 2:15-16**

*That you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, 16holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.*

**Pass the test of 10:**

**DANIEL 1:12** "Test your servants for ten days..."

**DANIEL 1:14** "So he listened to them in this matter, and tested them ten days"

• The number 10 = Testing

**REVELATION 2:10**

*Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have tribulation. Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.*

**2 TIMOTHY 3:12**

*Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted,*

**10 Times Stronger**

- 1. Is your faith in Jesus STRONGER THAN your fear of fitting In?*
- 2. Is your scriptural conviction STRONGER THAN cultural correctness?*
- 3. Is your drive to please God STRONGER THAN your drive to please others?*
- 4. Is your commitment to the cause of Christ STRONGER THAN any other cause?*
- 5. Is your willingness to suffer for Christ STRONGER THAN the draw to enjoy the pleasures of this world?*
- 6. Is your bond with other believers STRONGER THAN your friendships with those who are not?*
- 7. Is your trust in God as provider STRONGER THAN the pull of the American dream?*
- 8. Is your prayer life STRONGER THAN your play life?*
- 9. Is your Kingdom filter STRONGER THAN what is being poured into you?*
- 10. Is your covenant identity STRONGER THAN your cultural image?*

**DANIEL 1:19-20**

*And the king spoke with them, and among all of them none was found like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. Therefore they stood before the king. And in every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king inquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters that were in all his kingdom.*

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**COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Is there a specific name of God that you need to proclaim? In what way do you need to see God show up in your situation today?*
- 2. Is there any of the questions from the "Test of 10" that you don't pass? If so, how can you strengthen that area of your life?*
- 3. Is there one decision that needs to be made in your life in order to begin your journey to the destiny God has called you to? What could be keeping you from making that undefiled decision?*