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How to Live the Christian Life in an Unchristian World

PRACTICAL ATHEISM?

Daniel 2:1-30, 46-49

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But there is a God in heaven ... Daniel 2:28 GW

Have you been living as if there is no God in heaven?

Because of this the king became indignant and very furious, and gave orders to destroy all the wise men of Babylon. So the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain; and they looked for Daniel and his friends to kill them. Daniel 2:12-13

1. We don't have to worry or fear.

Do not be afraid, little flock ... Luke 12:32

- * We can be calm and confident because God is in control.
Then Daniel replied with discretion and discernment to Arioch, the captain of the king's bodyguard, who had gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon. Daniel 2:14

2. We can pray to a God who promises to answer.

Call to Me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things, fenced in and hidden, which you do not know (do not distinguish and recognize, have knowledge of and understand). Jeremiah 33:3 AMP

A. We can be confident as we request His compassion.

Because the heart of our God is full of loving-kindness for us, a light from heaven will shine on us. Luke 1:78 NLV

B. We can be confident as we request His help.

*Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a night vision.
Daniel 2:19a*

C. We can be joyful as we give thanks and bless His name.
Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven ... Daniel 2:19b

3. We can stand boldly for the Lord before a lost world.

A. God wants to use us as His ambassadors.
Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ ... 2 Corinthians 5:20

* We must remain humble and dependent.

B. God wants us to reveal Himself through us.
*Surely your God is a God of gods and a Lord of kings and a
revealer of mysteries, since you have been able to reveal
this mystery. Daniel 2:47*

C. God wants to bless us as we shine for Him.
*Then the king promoted Daniel and gave him many great gifts,
and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon and
chief prefect over all the wise men of Babylon. Daniel 2:48*

Will you make the choice to live out the truth?