

Stand for God or fall for anything...

Daniel 3:1-7 NKJV

1 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits and its width six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.
 2 And King Nebuchadnezzar sent word to gather together the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. 3 So the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces gathered together for the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. 4 Then a herald cried aloud: "To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, 5 that at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, **you shall fall down and worship the gold image** that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up; 6 and **whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.**" 7 So at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the horn, flute, harp, and lyre, in symphony with all kinds of music, **all the people, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the gold image** which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

Stand firm in the face of...

✓ **Fear** Daniel 3:16 TLB

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied,

"O Nebuchadnezzar, **we are not worried about what will happen to us.**

✓ **Consequences** Daniel 3:17-18 NLT

17 **If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God whom we serve is able to save us.** He will rescue us from your power, Your Majesty. 18 **But even if He doesn't,** we want to make it clear to you, Your Majesty, that we will never serve your gods or worship the gold statue you have set up."

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You Asked For It!

Stand When Culture Falls Down

Stand Firm...

1 Corinthians 16:13 NLT

13 **Be on guard. Stand firm in the faith. Be courageous. Be strong.**

14 And **do everything with love.**

1. Stand in the **presence** of God.

Psalm 5:5 NIV

The arrogant cannot stand in Your presence; you hate all who do wrong.

Psalm 26:12 NLT

Now **I stand on solid ground, and I will publicly praise the Lord.**

2. Stand in **unity** with those who love Jesus.

Ephesians 4:3 NIV

Make every effort to **keep the unity of the Spirit** through the bond of peace.

Matthew 12:25 NIV

Jesus knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be ruined, and every city or household divided against itself will not stand."

3. Stand firm in your **purpose**.

1 Corinthians 15:58 NIV

Therefore, my dear brothers, **stand firm. Let nothing move you.** Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Mark 4:21 NLT

Then Jesus asked them, "Would anyone light a lamp and then put it under a basket or under a bed? Of course not! **A lamp is placed on a stand,** where its light will shine."

4. Stand up for **Jesus**.

Daniel 3:25 NKJV

"Look!" he answered, "**I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire;** and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is **like the Son of God.**"

Matthew 10:32 Message

Stand up for Me against world opinion and I'll stand up for you before my Father in heaven.

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