

DANIEL

Kingdoms in Conflict

"Resisting the Pressure to Conform"

INTRO: *The book of Daniel is the record of the life and prophetic revelations given to Daniel, a Jew carried off to Babylon after the first conquest of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar in 605 B.C. It is the most comprehensive prophetic revelation of the Old Testament.*

I. Believers live in a world in _____ with God

(1:1-2). *Despite time and cultural differences, today's Christian is not that much different than the exiles of Daniel's day.*

II. In its _____ with God, the World pressures Believers to _____ to its standards (1:3-7).

Daniel and cohorts faced pressure to compromise God's standards.

III. When pressured by a World in _____ with God, resist _____ (1:8-21).

*Daniel's actions provide all Believers an **example** (Cf. Romans 12:1-2).*

A. _____.

Daniel knew Gods' Word and resolved to keep it; so should we.

B. _____.

God's people should recognize challenges to faithfulness.

C. _____.

Daniel didn't make a public issue of his rebellion. Should we?

D. _____.

Do what is right and let God take care of the rest!