



From panning the Word of Life  
Some small insights that will undergird those who are  
called of God to walk in *present truth*.

## DANIEL WAS NOT ON THE MENU

**Daniel 6:16-23** *Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spoke and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee.*

- (17) *And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel.*
- (18) *Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were instruments of music brought before him: and his sleep went from him.*
- (19) *Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions.*
- (20) *And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: and the king spoke and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions?*
- (21) *Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live forever.*
- (22) ***My God has sent his angel, and has shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me;*** and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt.
- (23) *Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.*

Lions normally eat flesh ... real carnal beasts! *The devil as a roaring lion walks about seeking whom he may devour* (1 Peter 5:8) ... *whom resist...* Whenever we move in the 'flesh' it does seem to draw out the beast nature in certain ones!

It is obvious that the lions in this account of Daniel's testing would have been exceptionally hungry but they did not attack and kill Daniel because **they saw no flesh** before them **forasmuch as before him incessancy was found in me**. Daniel's dedicated like was 'true' all through him. He had overcome (resisted) the demands of the natural man, the fleshly desires that his own mind would produce. So the challenge comes to our sincerity and dedication (**incessancy**) ... can we say that the devil comes to me but has no place (fleshly thinking in lieu of *the mind of Christ* in me? §