

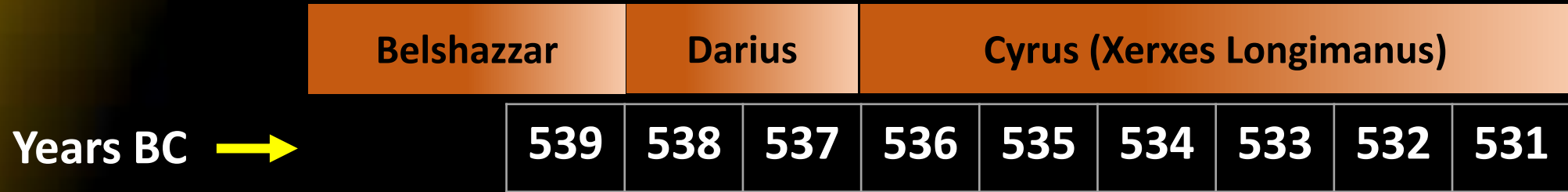


CH 6

The Revelation of DANIEL

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Daniel 6

- V1-3 Daniel elevated
- V4-9 Daniel conspired against
- V10-17 Daniel accused & cast into the lions' den
- V18-23 Daniel delivered
- V24-28 Accusers slain, king's decree

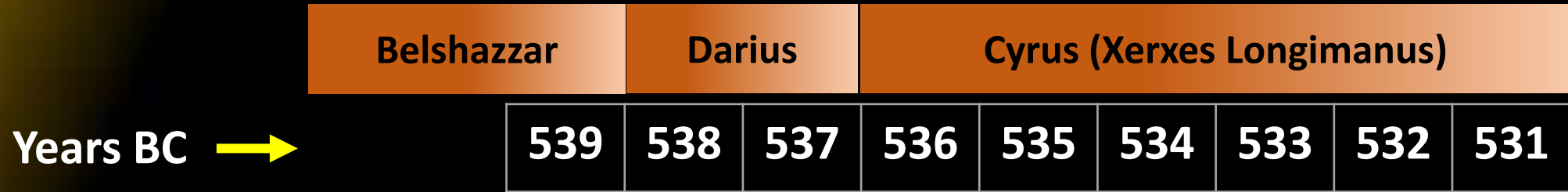
Why does God deliver some but not all?



Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. Php. 1:20

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“And Cyrus brought forth the vessels of the house of Yahweh”



Daniel – he fellowshipped the sufferings of Christ

1. Greatly beloved **Dan 9:23;10:11; Matt 3:17**
2. Had three close friends **Dan 2:13; Mar 14:33**
3. He was “wiser than his enemies” **Dan 5:11;Ps 119:98**
4. Increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man **Dan 1:9;2:48;6:20; Luke 2:52**
5. He preached the kingdom of God **Dan 6:26; Matt 4:17**
6. He purposed that he would not defile himself **Dan 1:8; Psalm 119:11**
7. His enemies said, this is the heir come let us kill him **Dan 6:3,4; Matt 21:38**
8. No fault was found in him **Dan 6: 4; Matt 27:24**
9. Delivered for envy **Dan 6:4; Mar 15:10**
10. The rulers took counsel together against him **Dan 6:6; Psa 2:2**
11. His enemies laid wait for him **Dan 6:11; Luke 20:20**



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12. They tried to find fault with him concerning the law of his God **Dan 6:5; Matt 22:36**
13. Falsely accused of disloyalty to the king to criminalize him **Dan 6:13; Isa 53:9; Luke 23:2**
14. Placed into a pit, stone was sealed **Dan 6:17; Matt 27:66**
15. Saved “from the lion’s mouth” **Dan 6:22; Ps 22:21**
16. Not a bone of his was broken **Dan 6:23; Ps 34:20**
17. Brought out of the pit early in the morning **Dan 6:19,23; Matt 28:6**
18. Delivered on account of his righteousness **Dan 6:22; Acts 2:24**
19. Effected the release of his people **Dan 1:21 (cmp 2 Chron 36:22); Isa 61:1**
20. Following his resurrection a decree went to all the world **Dan 6:25-27; Mark 16:15-16; Acts 17:30-31**
21. Following his resurrection he was elevated to the presence of the king **Dan 6:28; Eph 1:20-21**
22. Interceded for his people **Dan 9; Ezek 14:13; Heb 7:25**



Lessons for life

- During his life in Babylon Daniel was, selected to stand before the king, then sentenced to death, then made ruler over the province of Babylon, then deposed, then elevated to third in the kingdom, then thrown into a lion's den, then elevated again. Never doubt that God is in control.
- Daniel obeyed his master in the flesh; not with eyeservice, as a menpleaser; but in singleness of heart, fearing God. Do we?
- Daniel's way of life created friends and enemies. Strive for integrity not popularity.
- Daniel served his God continually. Does that describe our life?

Lessons for life cont'd

- Daniel prayed three times a day. We ought always to pray, and not to faint.
- Take my brethren the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.