

## **WEEK4: The Takeaway**

### **INTRODUCTION**

One of the most important parts of reading the Bible is discovering a personal takeaway. By that I mean the ability to understand what God is saying to you and knowing how to apply that Scripture to your current life circumstance. Today, we will practice this concept by asking God to speak to us from Daniel chapter three, and give us insight to know the best takeaway for our own lives.

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. What has been your closest brush with death or disaster?
2. Read Daniel 3:1-15 (highlight verses 4-6). Discuss your own exposure or lack of exposure to religious “persecution.” Have you ever imagined yourself in a similar circumstance to these young men, and if so, how?
3. Read Daniel 3:12. What can you learn from this verse even if your circumstances are not exactly comparable to those of the three young men?
4. Read Daniel 3:16-18. When faced with huge intimidation these men remained committed to their position. In what ways have you experienced intimidation related to your convictions about God?
5. In Daniel 3:18 we read the phrase, “**but even if He doesn’t...**” Do you have non-negotiable beliefs in your life that you would not compromise?
6. What is your personal takeaway form this message today?

### **MOVING FORWARD**

*A prayer: “Dear God, help me to hear what You are saying to me every day as I read the Bible and find the takeaway that’s most practical for me.”*