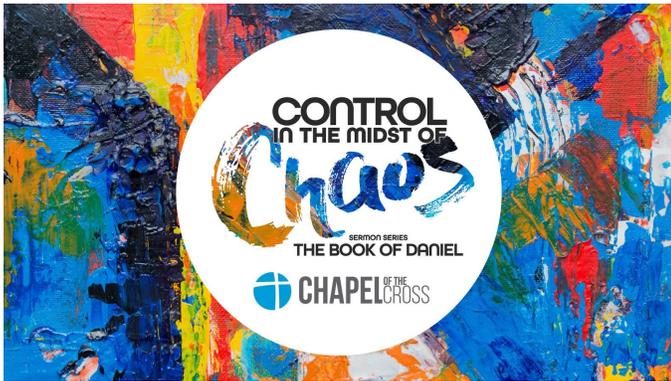


# God Transcends Death



**Background** – This series is designed to show us the sovereignty of God and that He controls all things, no matter what our circumstances might say.

**Key Verse/Scripture Memory** – [Daniel 3:15-18](#)

**Core Passage** - [Daniel 3:1-30](#)

**Take Away** - God used the life of Daniel to demonstrate His complete sovereignty and victory over death.

## Sermon Guide:

### I. What does Daniel tell us to do when facing chaos and possibly death?

- A. Don't compromise your beliefs and worship God only. [Daniel 3:1-12](#)
- B. Don't demand your own way, and faithfully surrender to God's plan. [Daniel 3:13-18](#)
- C. Don't fear the future, and rest in God's presence. [Daniel 3:19-30](#)

### II. Application

- 1) Who or what are your idols? Who is on the throne of your life?
- 2) How does this story help you in your present circumstances?

### III. Family/Small Group Discussion

- 1) Pray – That the message of Daniel would encourage our hearts in this scary time (Covid19) and that we would trust Him in all circumstances.
- 2) Briefly review the sermon outline. Have people read aloud a few of the Scriptures covered and explain why they are important and meaningful.
- 3) Discuss
  - 1) Share a time when you compromised in order to get along with someone. When is it okay to compromise to get along or fit in? When is it not okay?
  - 2) Reflect on Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's experience. What does their situation in Daniel Chapter 3 tell us about God?
  - 3) Why didn't God rescue them before they went into the furnace? Is there a situation in your life you wanted God to intervene before it happened, but He allowed you to go through it anyway? What were the results?

- 4) How do you think walking in the furnace affected the faith of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego? How did their faith effect the King? How can making a firm stand for your faith affect those around you?
  
- 5) Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego had the kind of faith that recognized that God was powerful enough to save them, but even if He didn't, honoring Him was the right choice. Spend some time praying for one another that you would have the words and the faith to follow their example.