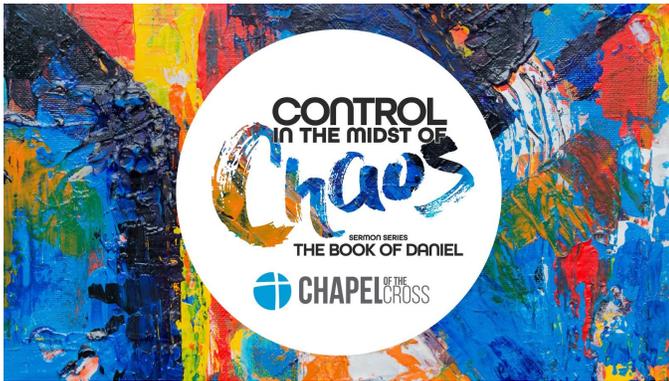


Obey the Living God



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 6:26-27](#)

Core Passage - [Daniel Chapter 6](#)

Take Away - Daniel teaches us how to stay faithful to God in a hostile world.

Sermon Guide:

I. Daniel teaches us how to stay faithful to God in a hostile world.

- 1) Don't be corrupt, just be good and obey.
[Daniel 6:3-5](#)
- 2) Don't worry, just talk to God.
[Daniel 6:10-14](#)
- 3) Don't protest or demand God's rescue, just trust Him.
[Daniel 6:19-24](#), [Acts 5:29](#)

II. How can we apply God's Word to our lives?

- 1) How can you make prayer your first response to a crisis, rather than worrying and problem solving on your own?
- 2) What are some things in our world that might rise to the level of civil disobedience or protest?

III. Family/Small Group Discussion

- 1) Pray – That the message of Daniel would encourage us to obey God.
- 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 together:
 - 1) How would you react if someone decided to scrutinize all aspects of your public and personal life?
 - 2) What specific evidences do you find in verse 10 of Daniel's consistent obedience to God?

- 3) As we journey through Daniel's lifetime, we see that he maintained a lifestyle of prayer, not just engaging in prayer when chaos and crisis came. How might this convict us of our own personal habits? How might you change your prayers habits to better follow Daniel's example?
- 4) Think back over all that we have read so far in the Book of Daniel. How can the fact that God "who holds in his hand your life and all your ways" (5:23) help you to honor and obey him as Daniel did?
- 5) Reflect on the prayer in verses 26-27. Use this prayer to inspire your own, one in which you praise God for His divine qualities.