



# THE UNSHAKEN BOOK OF DANIEL

## **Unshaken: Who is Your God?**

June 27th & 28th

**Speaker:** Pastor Joshua Symonette

**Scripture:** Daniel 3

### **Series Overview**

Unshaken is living countercultural, even if it costs you a fiery furnace. Unshaken is letting your conscience be your guide, even if it lands you in a lion's den. God is not nervous. God is victorious. Simply put, God's got this! When the world feels shaken, we can rest upon the Unshaken One. When all else fails, He never will. Join us in this [12-week reading plan](#) as we dive deeper into the book of Daniel and how it applies to our lives today.

### **Series Discussion Questions**

How are you living out what you're learning from the book of Daniel in your life right now?

### **Message Overview**

Our choices reflect both our priorities and values. Who we are and what we believe is a culmination of our choices. In Daniel 3, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, contemporaries of Daniel, are government officials appointed by King Nebuchadnezzar. They are faced with a situation where they have to choose between submitting to God or a Gentile king. It is seemingly a no-win situation. Should they compromise to save themselves? Who will know? We may never be in a life or death situation like this. But our choices are a direct indication of who God is to us and whether He is the priority in our lives.

### **Message-Specific Discussion Questions**

Share a time when you had to make a decision that went against the grain.

Who is your God? Spend time listing names and characteristics of God (e.g., Provider, Jehovah Shalom, God who sees, etc.)

Pastor Joshua shared that our character is evidence of “what and who we have amplified in our lives”. What are your daily choices, conversations, and communion with God and others showing? How do they reflect Kingdom culture (e.g., the Kingdom of God)? How do they reflect the culture around you?

How are you posturing yourself in a way that is humble?

What rhetoric or ideologies have you adopted and put God in the middle of? In what areas do you tend to care more about your personal comfort and preservation?

The primary tension for Daniel and his friends was balancing dual submission to God and a Gentile king. What are some examples of how you navigate the tension of devotion to God and your place in this world?

In what ways have you stepped outside your comfort zone to make room for new ideas from the Holy Spirit? What frameworks or mindsets do you currently have that need to be adjusted?

How are you proclaiming “God’s got this” in your life right now? In what areas of your life are you refusing to compromise?

### **Practical Application**

- Spend time watching this week’s post-service interview with Pastor Joshua, Pastor Mark, and Charles Williams at [ncc.re/unshaken](http://ncc.re/unshaken). How can you posture yourself to be a safe person to have tough conversations with others?
- Spend one minute in silent contemplation for each of the following:
  - Supreme God, we submit our will to Yours. Show us Your way. I confess to living a life that is less than what You have for me.
  - In what area do I need to lay down my crown of pride?
  - Are there any areas in my life where I am making compromises?
  - Are there any ideologies that I have made idols?
  - Thank you, Lord God, for Your loving kindness and endless opportunity for reconciliation. Your grace is sufficient. I receive it.
- We’re continuing to join together in the “Upper Zoom” Mondays through Fridays at 7:14am. Find more details, including how to register, [here](#).