

Sunday Morning | May 22, 2016



DANIEL 1:1-8

TRUTH: Like Cassie Bernall, Daniel knew how to stand alone.

****Daniel teaches us "how to stand":**

I. STAND AGAINST COMPROMISE.

A. Tested with idolatry, Daniel 1:1-2

B. Altered his distinctiveness, 1:6-7

TRUTH: Conviction is based on what we believe to be truth.

TRUTH: There is a connection between the values we teach and the people we produce in America.

C. Tempted with immorality, Daniel 1:5

TRUTH: The world wants seniors to compromise at every point and become just like it.

II. STAND FOR CONVICTIONS (Daniel 1:8).

TRUTH: Daniel drew a line in the sand with the meat and wine because he would not deny to Whom he belonged.

A. A distinct conviction, v. 8

INSIGHT: You are the person you are today because of the decisions you made yesterday.

TRUTH: The line between significance and sorrow, shame and fame is decision.

PROVERB: Convictions control decisions, and decisions determine destiny.

INVITATION:

TRUTH: Daniel could say "no" because he had said "yes" to God.

TRUTH: Daniel lived for God with grit and grace.