

New International Version is used for questions

- 1. Read Daniel 1:3-20. What does the word integrity mean? How did Daniel display integrity? What does it mean for us a Christians to have integrity?
- 2. What is the first step to developing resilient integrity as a Christian? What does it mean to resolve to do something? Read Romans 12:1,2. What does this passage tell us we should do as Christians in verse 1 and how does it tell us to do it in verse 2? How would resolving to do this change our lives as Christians?
- 3. Read Job 2:3-10. How was Job an example of what it means to have Biblical integrity? Why do you think God would allow people who have integrity to suffer?
- 4. Read Proverbs 10:9; 11:3; and 13:6. What does integrity provide for us? How did Daniel's integrity affect those around him?
- 5. Pastor Rick said that if you have integrity, expect God to do miraculous things through you. What miraculous things did he do for Daniel? Do you think Daniel knew this before he made the decisions he made? What are some examples of when you displayed integrity in your life? What happened? Do you think only good things will happen to those who display integrity?

- 1. Integrity means to adhere to moral principles. From a Biblical point of view, integrity is to do what God says is right, even when no one is looking and no matter the consequences to ourselves. We have integrity when we live our lives in a way that is pleasing to the Lord.
- 2. The first step to developing resilient integrity is to resolve to always do what is pleasing to the Lord. To resolve to do something is to make the decision to do something, to be determined to take specific actions. Romans 12:1 tells us to present our bodies as a sacrifice to God to always live in a way that pleases him, to do what is right. We do this by not acting like the rest of the people in the world and by allowing the Word of God to transform how we think and view our lives so that it reflects the way God things an views everything. You cannot change your behavior until you change your thinking. Doing this should radically change how we live our lives so that we live in obedience to what God says is right. This is the heart of a resolution to have integrity.
- 3. No matter how bad things got, he never blamed God for what happened to him and he still resolved to do what was right. God will test our resolve to have integrity by allowing bad things to happen in our lives to see if we will stay committed to doing the right thing.
- 4. Having integrity guards, protects, guides, and provides protection for us.
- 5. Because Daniel acted with integrity and God blessed his decision, it caused the gentile king of Babylon to take note of Daniel's God and eventually come to worship him as the true God. Daniel and his three friends also were promoted to high positions of authority, enlarging even further their influence in Babylon.