

## Life Groups Discussion Guide

### "Daniel: Faith in Culture" 9-21-25

#### Icebreaker

If you had to survive on just one meal for 10 days (like Daniel did with vegetables and water), what would you pick?

#### Scripture Reference

Daniel 1:1-17

#### Intro

Has there been a message from this series that has stuck out to you? What and why?

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Pastor Matt said:

**"Culture is not the enemy; it is the arena where our faith is lived out."**

**How does that challenge the way you grew up hearing about "the world" or "culture"?**

Daniel engaged with Babylonian education and culture without losing his convictions.

**What does it look like for us to both learn from and engage with culture, while still staying faithful to Jesus?**

**Takeaway:** "Whatever culture gives, God can use."

**What are some personal skills, talents, or experiences you've gained that God might want to use for His glory?**

Education can either weaken or strengthen faith depending on how it's approached.

**How has your own learning (whether formal or informal) impacted your walk with Jesus?**

**Takeaway:** "God uses every kind of person."

Pastor Matt told us that Daniel was born into nobility, but God also uses the lowly, like Mary or John the Baptist.

**How does it encourage you to know that God uses people from all backgrounds?**

Last question, and you will have to think through it...

**If God placed you in a new environment tomorrow—a new job, a new city, or a new cultural setting—what lessons from Daniel's life would you want to remember most?**

#### CLOSE

Ask for prayer requests and pray, prayer!

Make sure they bring someone with them to the LG or to church on Sundays!

Thank them for coming!