

## Daniel 3

Date: 13.12.20

Series: Standing confidently in a shaky world

Readings: Daniel 3 (1-15) and 1 Peter 3:13-18

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF...

Verses 16-18

1. COURAGE

2. CARE

3. COMMITMENT

Do not conform

Do not compromise

## Church Family Prayers 13<sup>th</sup> December 2020

**Christmas Services:** We thank you, Father, for the opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the people of Cairns this Christmas season. Please remind us, provide opportunities for us, and convict us, to invite people along to our homes for the Live Streamed Christmas Carols and to the F2F Seville Christmas Eve & Day Services coming up. Please, by your grace, O Lord, move people to attend - including our own families - and please by your amazing grace, move people to receive Jesus. May each of these worship services be a wonderful celebration of your goodness to us: that a Saviour has been born for us, and also died and rose for us – Christ the Lord!

**Musicians:** We thank you, Father, for the gifts you give to your people so that your church family can be built up and new people reached and brought into your family. We thank you for the musical gifts you have given us to help in these ways. We pray that you will continue to provide for us the musicians we will need in the coming days so that you are greatly glorified, and your church built up well.

**Anglican Church of Australia:** We bring before you the Anglican Church of Australia. We are saddened to hear how some in your church want it to go, and also the influence they have. We ask that you may have mercy on us. We also ask that if your lovingkindness is withheld, and instead your judgement is delivered, that you will give us the strength, courage and wisdom to know what to do in the days ahead. We thank you for the recent Gafcon Australia meetings that not only have informed our leaders here but also encouraged your saints to keep joyfully worshipping you in the Spirit and in truth (John 4:24).

**Comfort:** Lord, we regularly pray for those we know, and sometimes specifically by name, who are not well. We today want to thank you for the comfort that you have given them as we journey through this fallen world. We thank you also for the comfort you have given us over the years so that we can – in turn - provide such comfort to others. We also ask that you give us all a spirit of perseverance as sometimes our struggles are very long winded with little hope of an earthly fix. Help us all to shine brightly for Jesus irrespective of such times, and therefore be a good witness to him. And help us all to remember the hope you have prepared for all who are in Christ, and therefore fill us with an inexpressible and glorious joy, knowing that the end result of one's faith is the salvation of our souls (1 Peter 1:9). In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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