

Vision of the Tree

DANIEL 4:1-3

The Declaration sent out to the world

Chapter 4 is written by Nebuchadnezzar

DATE: **562 BC**

FROM: *Nebuchadnezzar the king*

TO: *All Peoples, Nations, and Men of every language who live in all the Earth*

May your peace abound!

It has seemed good to me to declare the signs and wonders

which The Most High God has done for ME

How great are His signs and how mighty are His wonders!

His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom - His dominion is from generation to generation

Penning by Nebuchadnezzar **AFTER** recovered from mental-spiritual 'madness'

He dispatches this declaration 'across the world' as he understands *Babylon's reach*

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IN the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it.
2 And the LORD gave Jehoiakim king of Judah some of the vessels of the house of God; and he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into the treasury of his god.
3 Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, the chief of his officials, to bring in some of the sons of Israel, youths in whom was no defect, who were good-looking, showing intelligence in every branch of wisdom, endowed with understanding, and discerning knowledge, and who had the ability to teach the king's servants the literature and language of the Chaldeans.

1 *2 Kin. 24:1; 2 Chr. 36:5, 6 *Jer. 25:1; 52:12
2 *Is. 42:24; Dan. 2:37, 38 *2 Chr. 36:7; Jer. 27:19, 20; Dan. 5:2 *Gen. 10:10; 12:1-5; 11:1
3 *Or, eunuchs, and so throughout the chap. *Lit., seed of the *2 Kin. 24:14; Is. 39:7
4 *2 Sam. 14:25 *Is. 38:11; Jer. 5:15; Dan. 2:4 *Dan. 2:2, 4, 5, 10; 3:8; 4:7; 5:7, 11, 30; 9:1
5 *1 Sam. 16:22; Jer. 15:1; Dan. 1:19
6 *Ezek. 14:14, 20; 28:3; Matt. 24:15
7 *Dan. 2:26; 4:8; 5:12 *Dan. 2:49; 3:12
8 *Dan. 2:26; 4:8; 5:12 *Dan. 2:49; 3:12
9 *Ps. 141:4; Dan. 1:5 *Deut. 32:38; Dan. 5:4
10 *Ps. 106:46; Prov. 16:7
11 *Lit., seen
12 *Ex. 23:25
13 *Or, writing *1 Kin. 3:12, 28; Job 32:8; Dan. 1:20, 2:21, 23 *Dan. 2:19; 7:1; 8:1

with the king's choice food or with the wine which he drank; so he sought permission from the commander of the officials that he might not defile himself.
9 Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials.
The commander of the officials said to Daniel, 'I am afraid of my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink; for why should he see your faces looking more haggard than the youths who are your own age? Then you would make me forfeit my head to the king.'

11 But Daniel said to the overseer whom the commander of the officials had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, '12 Please test your servants for ten days, and let us be given some vegetables to eat and water to drink.
13 Then let our appearance be observed in your presence, and the appearance of the youths who are eating the king's choice food; and deal with your servants according to what you see.
14 So I requested this matter and tested them for ten days.
15 And at the end of ten days their appearance seemed better and fatter than all the youths who had been eating the king's choice food.
16 I continued to give them choice food and the wine they were to drink, and kept them when vegetables.
17 I observed in them more intelligence in every branch of literature and wisdom; Daniel even understood all kinds of visions and dreams.
18 Then at the end of the days

The Choice Young Men

Daniel's Resolve

8 But Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself

THOUGHT AWAY 20 SEGE 577 BC
WIPED THE BOOK OF DANIEL
605 BC
we go through correct channels
amen! as the LORD is there.

Babylonian World

21 people groups

4 main languages

17 dialects

- Egyptians

- Parthians

- Persians

- Medes

- Canaanites

- Scythians

- Phoenicians

- Chaldeans

- Assyrians

- Jews

- Armenians



The BABYLONIAN EMPIRE and the deportation of the Judahites

- Babylonian Empire
- Northern Israelites deported by the Assyrians
- Medes Kingdom (allied with Babylon)
- Kingdom of Judah (before the Exile)
- Lands of Resettlement of the Judahites

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DANIEL 4:4-9

I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at ease in my house and flourishing in my palace [first person]

I saw a dream and it made me fearful - and these mental images as I lay on my bed [first person]

and the visions in my mind kept alarming me - so I gave orders to bring into my presence all the wise men [kahkeem] of Babylon that they might make known to me the interpretation of the DREAM

Then the magicians, conjurers, Chaldeans and diviners came in and I told the DREAM to them - but they could not make its interpretation known to me [first person]

This happened 41 years ago back in 603 BC during second year of Nebuchadnezzar when the king asked for: 1] DREAM and 2] interpretation

NOW 41 years after in 562 BC in 43rd year of his reign he will tell them the DREAM and simply ask for the interpretation Should be an easy one for these soothsayers

HOWEVER, "I told them DREAM but they could not interpret it for me!"

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Very similar to 603 BC - once again soothsayers prove incapable,

Then finally Daniel came in before me - whose name is Bel-Tes-azzar according to the name

[first person]

of my god - in whom is a spirit of **The Holy Gods** - and I related the dream to him, saying,

[once again *Elaw* as plural *Elohiym* with singular article "The"]

consistent reference to The Triune God

"O Bel-Tesh-azzar chief of the magicians [Rab Kartom "scholars"]

later in Chapter 6 elevated to Rab Mag "chief of hereditary-ethnic Magi"

since I know that a spirit of **The Holy Gods** is in you and no mystery baffles you

tell me the visions of my DREAM which I have seen - and its interpretation

NOTE Just like 41 years ago he remembers Daniel will

probably be able to do BOTH DREAM and interpretation

This very same Daniel referred to in Ezekiel 28:3 as the one who interprets visions

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9 "It shall be for the priests who are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, who have kept My charge, who did not go astray when the sons of Israel went astray.
10 "And it shall be an allotment to them from the allotment of the land a most holy place, by the border of the Levites.
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12 "More or exchange of land; for it is his choice portion of land; for it is holy to the LORD.
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DANIEL 4:10-14 Now these were the visions in my mind as I lay on my bed I was looking and behold there was a **TREE** in the middle of the Earth

Height was Great - TREE grew Large became Strong
"Height reached to the sky" so it was visible to the end

[clear distinct allusion to Nimrod's tower in Genesis 10:8-10]
of the whole Earth - Its foliage was beautiful - its fruit abundant - in it was food for ALL the beasts of the field found shade under it and **BIRDS** of the sky dwelled in its branches

["birds" always evil-Enemy]
ALL living creatures fed themselves from it - I was looking into the visions within my mind as I lay [first person]

on my bed and behold, an **Angel Watcher** - a holy one [not 'the' Holy One] descended from heaven and he shouted out loud and spoke this:



And the king appointed for them a daily ration from the king's choice food and from the wine which he drank, and appointed that they should be educated three years, at the end of which they were now among them from the sons of Judah were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. Then the commander of the officials assigned new names to them; and to Daniel he assigned the name Belteshazzar, to Hananiah Shadrach, to Mishael Meshach, and to Azariah Abed-nego.

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14 So he listened to them in this matter and tested them for ten days. 15 And at the end of ten days their appearance seemed better and they were fatter than all the youths who had been eating the king's choice food. 16 So the overseer continued to withhold their choice food and the wine they were to drink, and kept giving them vegetables. 17 And as for these four youths, God gave them knowledge and intelligence in every branch of literature and wisdom; Daniel even understood all kinds of visions and dreams. 18 Then at the end of the days

Angel Watcher

king saw Angel Watcher

a holy one descending from heaven [point of origin]

'angelic' added עִיר = eer [Aramaic ir] = awake, watchful, alert ONLY in Daniel

It's not angel AND watcher - It's angel-watcher Dispatched by God with message

Greek LXX used Grigori = watcher Gabriel to Zacharias, Mary, John on Patmos

Gabriel "who stands in presence of God" Luke 1:19

aggelos are 'holy ones' 2/3rd have not fallen/followed Lucifer

Remember! Nebuchadnezzar writes this in his words, his description, his first-hand experience

Daniel 4:17 the king testifies "God uses even the basest of men to fulfill his purpose"

referring to himself

- Nephalim? Absolutely can't be "holy one" who "comes down from heaven"

- Non-canon Enoch? references "good" and "evil" watchers

- Canon Jude 6 angels who did not keep their own domain but abandoned their proper place

God has kept in eternal bonds under darkness 'til Great Judgment Tartarus

- Canon Eph. 3:10 rulers and authorities in heavenly places

- Canon 1st Peter 1:12 angels observe, long to look [understand] God's plan for mankind

- Canon Matt. 18:10 the angels of these little ones always see the face of My Father

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DANIEL 4:10-14

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"TREE" in the middle of the Earth

THINK OF DANIEL'S AS HE THOUGHTS AWAY IN THE BOOK OF DANIEL

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9 "The allotment that you shall set apart to the LORD shall be 25,000 cubits in length, and in width like one of the portions, ⁵in the middle of it.
10 "And the holy allotment shall be for these, namely for the priests, toward the north 25,000 cubits in length, toward the east 25,000 cubits in width, and toward the south 25,000 cubits in length; and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in its midst.
11 "It shall be for the priests who are sanctified of the LORD, and for those who have kept the law of the LORD, that they not go astray when the sons of Israel went astray, as the Levites went astray.
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shall be 10,000 cubits toward the east, and 10,000 toward the west; and it shall be alongside the holy allotment. And its workers shall be 10,000, and the workers of the city, out of all the tribes of Israel, shall cultivate it.
20 "And on the east side, 4,500 cubits shall be the gate, and shall be set apart the holy allotment, a square, with the property of the city.
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23 "As for the rest of the tribes from the east side to the west side, Simeon, one portion.
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DREAM of the TREE

DANIEL 4:14-18

- 1] Chop down the tree
- 2] Cut off its branches
- 3] Strip off its foliage
- 4] Scatter its fruit
- 5] Let beasts to flee from under it
- 6] Birds flee [depart] from its branches

However

- a] leave the stump [of Tree] with its roots in the ground but
- b] with a band of iron and bronze around it in the new grass of the field

- 7] Let him [the king] be drenched with the dew of heaven
- 8] Let him share with the beasts in the grass of Earth
- 9] Let his mind be changed from that of a man - Let a beast's mind be given to him, and
- 10] Let 7 periods of time [years] pass over him
[times = calendar year same as Daniel 7:25 "time, times, and half a time"]



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Vision of the Tree

DANIEL 4:23-27 In that the king saw an Angel Watcher - a holy one - descending from heaven saying, "Chop down the tree and destroy it - yet leave the stump with its roots in the ground with a band of iron and bronze around it in the new grass of the field - then let him be drenched with the dew of heaven let him share with the beasts of the field until 7 periods of time pass over him" This is the interpretation O king

Nebuchadnezzar Recounts His Condition:

- 7] Drenched with the dew of heaven
- 8] Share grass with the beasts in the of Earth
- 9] Mind changed from a man - beast's mind given to him
- 10] For 7 periods of time [years]

Daniel does not comment on 2 bands of iron and bronze? His kingdom will have a remnant that will return him to ruling AFTER the judgment. LXX says, "leave one root in the earth so it may with the beasts of earth browse in the mountains on grass like an ox"
Theodotian & Massoretic texts: **the 2 bands keep Tree [Nebuchadnezzar] from fully rotting-crumbling-disintegrating** - so the kingdom remains viable

Vision of the Tree

DANIEL 4:23-27

several camps assume *the 2 bands* are literal fetters on the king [Tree] during his insanity – keeping him from harming himself
BOTTOM LINE: *the 2 bands are not interpreted by Daniel*

His condition is being “bound” during time of judgment - then the stump [the king] can be revived to rule again *after judgment once he recognizes it is Heaven that rules*
Therefore, O king, IF my advice be pleasing to you THEN break away NOW from your sins by: 1] doing righteousness and from your iniquities by: 2] showing mercy to the poor in case there may be a prolonging of your prosperity [his kingdom returned to him]

PRIDE CONCEIT ARROGANCE SELF-EXALTING NO HUMILITY

Isaiah 14:13-14 *You [Satan-Lucifer] have said within your heart:*

- 1] I Will ascend into heaven*
- 2] I Will exalt my throne above the stars of God*
- 3] I Will sit upon the mount of the congregation in the sides of the north*
- 4] I Will ascend above the heights of the clouds*
- 5] I Will be like The Most High*

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18 Then at the end of the days

Pride

James 4:13-16 So now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and conduct business there for a year - buying and selling, making a profit"

However, you do not know what shall be - for what is your life?

Is it not a vapor that appears for a brief time and then vanishes away.

Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills we shall live and do this or that, but now you rejoice in your boastings - and all such rejoicing is evil"

Luke 12:16-21 I will build bigger barns, as I now have goods laid up to last me many so from now on I will Eat Drink and Be Merry

You fool, this very evening your soul shall be held accountable

Proverbs 16:5 Everyone who is proud in his heart is an abomination to the Lord

verse 18 Pride comes before destruction and a haughty spirit before the fall

29:3 Pride brings you low but honor upholds the humble in spirit

5 "And beside the border of Manasseh, from the east side to the west side, Ephraim, one portion.
6 "And beside the border of Ephraim, from the east side to the west side, Reuben, one portion.
7 "And beside the border of Reuben, from the east side to the west side, Judah, one portion.
8 "And beside the border of Judah, from the east side to the west side, shall be the allotment which you shall set apart to the LORD. It shall be 25,000 cubits in length, and the width shall be in the middle of the land, from the east side to the west side, 5,000 cubits.
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10 "And the holy city shall be toward the north 25,000 cubits in length, toward the west 10,000 in width, toward the south 5,000 in length; and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in the middle of the city.
11 "It shall be for the sons of Zadok, who have kept My charge, who did not go astray when the sons of Israel went astray, as the other sons of the Levites did.
12 "And it shall be an allotment to them from the allotment of the land, a most holy place, by the border of the Levites.
13 "And alongside the border of the priests the Levites shall have 25,000 cubits in length and 10,000 in width. The whole length shall be 25,000 cubits and the width 10,000.
14 "Moreover, they shall not sell or exchange a portion of it, or alienate this choice portion which the LORD has given to the LORD.
15 "And the remainder, 5,000 cubits in width and 25,000 cubits in length, shall be for common dwellings for the city, for dwellings and for open spaces; and the city shall be in its midst.
16 "And these shall be its measurements: the north side 4,500 cubits, the south side 4,500 cubits, the east side 4,500 cubits, and the west side 4,500 cubits.
17 "And the city shall have open spaces: on the north 250 cubits, on the south 250 cubits, on the east 250 cubits, and on the west 250 cubits.
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5 *Josh. 16:5-9; 17:8-10, 14-18
6 *Josh. 13:15-21
7 *Josh. 15:1-63; 19:9
8 ¹Or, contribution, and so throughout the chap. ²Lit., offer ³Or, possibly, chap. ⁴Is. 12:6; 33:20-22; Ezek. 45:3, 45:4
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33 "And on the south side, 4,500 cubits, shall be three gates: the gate of Simeon, one; the gate of Issachar, one; the gate of Gad, one.
34 "And on the west side, 4,500 cubits, shall be three gates: the gate of Asher, one; the gate of Naphtali, one.
35 "The city shall be 18,000 cubits round about; and the name of the city shall be, 'The Choice Young Men'.
36 "The king's choice food or with the wine which he drank; so he sought permission from the commander of the officials that he might not defile himself.
37 "Now God granted Daniel favor and success in all his doings, and he was found better than all the youths who were eating the king's choice food.
38 "But Daniel said to the overseer whom the commander of the officials had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, 'Please test your servants for ten days; let us eat and drink water only, and let our appearance be observed in your presence, and the appearance of the youths who are eating the king's choice food; and deal with us according to what you see.'
39 "So he listened to them in this matter and tested them for ten days.
40 "And at the end of ten days their appearance was better and they were fatter than all the youths who had been eating the king's choice food.
41 "The overseer continued to withhold their choice food and the wine they were to drink, and kept giving them vegetables.
42 "And as for these four youths, God gave them knowledge and intelligence in every branch of literature and wisdom; Daniel even understood all kinds of visions and dreams.
43 "Then at the end of the days

1 *2 Kin. 24:1; 2 Chr. 36:5, 6
2 *Lit., and
3 ¹Heb., YHWH-shammah
4 Jer. 23:6; 33:16
5 Is. 12:6; 14:32;
6 24:23; Jer. 3:17;
7 8:19; 14:9; Ezek. 35:10; Joel 3:21
8 *2 Kin. 24:1; 2 Chr. 36:5, 6
9 2 Chr. 36:7
10 27:19
11 50:2; 51:44
12 ¹Or, eunuchs, and so throughout the chap. ²Lit., seed of the
13 *2 Kin. 24:14; Is. 5:15; Dan. 2:2; 4:5, 10; 3:8; 4:7; 5:7, 11, 30; 9:1
14 *1 Sam. 16:22; Jer. 15:1; Dan. 1:19
15 *Dan. 2:26; 4:8; 5:12
16 *Dan. 2:49
17 *Lev. 11:7; Ezek. 4:13, 14; Hos. 9:3
18 *Dan. 1:12
19 *Job 5:15; Prov. 10:46
20 *Lit., take away
21 *1 Kin. 3:12, 28; Job 32:8; Dan. 1:20; 2:21, 23
22 *Dan. 2:19; 7:1

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10 and the commander of the officials said to Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink; for why should he see your faces looking more haggard than the youths who are eating the king's choice food? Then you would appear to be different from the other youths."
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Next Monday

February 27th 6:30pm

Figure It Out

Part-2 Vision of the Tree

Daniel 4:28-37

Nebuchadrezzar continues his first-person narrative with the detailed account of his opportunity to turn things around and what actually occurred when he would not repent.



5 "And beside the border of Manasseh, from the east side to the west side, Ephraim, one portion.
6 "And beside the border of Ephraim, from the east side to the west side, Reuben, one portion.
7 "And beside the border of Reuben, from the east side to the west side, Judah, one portion.
8 "And beside the border of Judah, from the east side to the west side, shall be the allotment which you shall set apart, 25,000 cubits in width, and in length like one of the portions, from the east side to the west side; and the sanctuary shall be in the middle of it.
9 "The allotment that you shall set apart to the LORD shall be 25,000 cubits in length, and 10,000 in width.

Portion for the Priests

10 "And the holy allotment shall be for these, namely for the priests, toward the north 25,000 cubits in length, toward the west 10,000 in width, toward the south 25,000 in length, and toward the east 10,000 in width. The LORD shall be in its midst.

11 "It shall be for the priests who are sanctified of the sons of Zadok, who shall be the only ones who shall not go astray, as the Levites went astray.

12 "And it shall be an allotment to them from the allotment of the land, a most holy place, by the border of the Levites.

13 "And alongside the border of the priests the Levites shall have 25,000 cubits in length and 10,000 in width. The whole length shall be 25,000 cubits and the width 10,000.

14 "Moreover, they shall not sell or exchange any of it, or alienate this choice portion of land; for it is holy to the LORD.

15 "And the remainder, 5,000 cubits in width and 25,000 in length, shall be for common use for the city, for dwellings and for open spaces; and the city shall be in its midst.

16 "And these shall be its measurements: the north side 4,500 cubits, the south side 4,500 cubits, the east side 4,500 cubits, and the west side 4,500 cubits.

17 "And the city shall have open spaces: on the north 250 cubits, on the south 250 cubits, on the east 250 cubits, and on the west 250 cubits.
18 "And the remainder of the length alongside the holy allotment shall be 10,000 cubits toward the east, and 10,000 toward the west; and it shall be alongside the holy allotment. And its produce shall be food for the workers of the city, and for the workers of the city, out of the tribes of Israel, shall cultivate it.
19 "The whole allotment shall be 25,000 by 25,000 cubits; you shall set apart the holy allotment, a square, with the property of the city.

5 *Josh. 16:5-9; 17:8-10, 14-18
6 *Josh. 13:15-21
7 *Josh. 13:15-21
8 *Or, contribution, and so throughout the chap.
9 *Lit., offer
10 *Or, possibly, reeds, and so throughout the chap.
11 *Is. 12:6; 33:20; 22; Ezek. 45:3, 45:4
12 *Lit., first or first fruits
13 *Lev. 25:32-34
14 *Lit., in front of the pasture land
15 *Or, pasture land
16 *Lit., offer
17 *Lit., fourth possession
18 *Or, possession
19 *Ezek. 34:24; 45:7; 48:22
20 *Or, possession
21 *Josh. 18:21-25
22 *Josh. 19:1-9
23 *Josh. 19:17-23
24 *Josh. 19:10-16
25 *Josh. 13:24-28
26 *Gen. 14:7; 2 Chr. 20:2; Ezek. 47:19; 15, 19, 20
27 *YHWH, usually rendered LORD
28 *Ezek. 47:13-20
29 *Ezek. 48:32,

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23 "As for the rest of the tribes of Israel, from the east side to the west side, Issachar, one portion.
24 "And beside the border of Issachar, from the east side to the west side, Zebulun, one portion.
25 "And beside the border of Zebulun, from the east side to the west side, Gad, one portion.
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27 "And beside the border of Asher, from the east side to the west side, Naphtali, one portion.
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35 "The city shall be 18,000 cubits round about; and the name of the city from that day shall be, 'The LORD is there.'

31 shall be the gates of the city, named for the tribes of Israel, three gates toward the north: the gate of Issachar, one; the gate of Judah, one; the gate of Benjamin, one; the gate of Dan, one.
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THINK OF DANIEL'S THOUGHTS AS HE WAS LED AWAY IN 605 BC
DANIEL'S 2ND SIEGE 577 BC
DANIEL'S 3RD SIEGE 587 BC
THE CHOICE YOUNG MEN

IN the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it.

2 And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the vessels of the house of God; and he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into the treasury of his god.

3 And the chief of the sons of Israel, including some of the royal family who were good-looking, showing intelligence in every branch of wisdom and discerning knowledge, and who had ability for serving in the king's court; and he ordered him to teach them the literature and language of the Chaldeans.

4 And the king appointed for them a daily ration from the king's choice food and from the wine which he drank, and appointed that they should be educated three years, at the end of which they were to enter the king's service.

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7 But Daniel, because he was a Jew, refused to defile himself with the king's choice food or with the wine which he drank; so he sought permission from the commander of the officials that he might not defile himself.

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THE BOOK OF DANIEL
we go through content
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works fruit!

9 Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials.

10 and the commander of the officials said to Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink; for why should he see your faces looking like the faces of youths who have eaten only vegetables?"

11 But Daniel said to the overseer of the officials appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, "Please test your servants for ten days: let us be given some vegetables to eat and water to drink.

12 Then let our appearance be observed in your presence, and the appearance of the youths who are eating the king's choice food; and deal with your servants according to what you see."

13 So he listened to them in this matter and tested them for ten days. And at the end of ten days their appearance seemed better and they were fatter than all the youths who had been eating the king's choice food.

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