

Faith in the Furnace (Daniel 3)

The tale of Paul Schneider?

Symbols of power

What this image is all about (v.4-7)

The nature of idols

When the heat is cranked up, who will you bow to?

- The pressure to give up

The four 'pressure points' on Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego

The demands of idols today

The **true climax** of our tale (v.16-18)

- Worship the only true God

The great big joke!

Repeated verb? (v.1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 12, 14, 15 & 18)

The nothingness of idols vs the reality of YHWH in history

What Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego remember

What's even **MORE** amazing about their answer

True, genuine faith

- The God who saves
- The **personal** rescue (Isaiah 43:2)

Complete salvation

We are not exempt from trials

- Faith in the furnace
- The right response to what we see...

... vs the wrong response – Nebuchadnezzar again! (v.28-30)

Our greater hope

...who will you serve?