

Reading: **Daniel 6: 1 - 10**

Introduction

- Coming before the King of kings should not be treated any less than coming before king Charles III.
- Church opening worship should not be treated casually.
- Its not the 'preliminary' or the 'ice breaker.' It's the worship of our sovereign God.

1 The Worshipper's Devotional Life

- A lack or neglect of a 'devotional life' is the fundamental reason why
 'the love of many wax cold' and people backslide.
- The devotional life is essential to a healthy soul.

2 Daniel's Devotional Life

- The secret of Daniel's greatness was his life long habitual devotional life. "As was his custom since early days."
- A busy man who was disciplined with regard to his use of time.
- There were times he was with earthly kings and other times he was with the King of kings.

- [Daniel 6:10] allows us a window through which we can look upon Daniel's devotional life.
- · It was clearly precious to him.
- Something he was prepared to endanger his life over.
- He had a 'trysting place' where he communed with God.
- No indicator over what time it took.
- That's not important. Its quality that matters, not quantity.

3 The Ingredients Of The Devotional Life

- Prayer [9:20].
- Reading Scripture [9:2].
- Singing hymns/songs: Consider Paul and Silas in [Acts 16:25].
- Praying/singing in tongues: [1 Corinthians 14:15].
- Be still and ponder the Almighty. [Psalm 46:10].

4 Praise As A Weapon

- Consider [2Chronicles 20:22].
- The people worshipped as the enemy approached and God wrought them a great victory.
- [Acts 16:26] After worshipping God sent an earthquake that set the prisoners free.