

WELCOME TO HAVEN

August 21, 2022

Welcome

Worship Songs

"Graves Into Gardens"

"Even If"

Communion

Prayer

Scripture for Today

Matthew 5:10 (NIV)

Message

"Stranger Think: Attacked & Beaten Up (Part 1)" Jack D. Cohen

Offering/Worship Song

"No Other Name"

*Closing



STRANGER THINK

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STRANGER THINK: LIVING RIGHT-SIDE UP IN UPSIDE DOWN WORLD ATTACKED & BEATEN UP (PART 1)

“Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”
– Matthew 5:10

“In fact, anyone who belongs to Christ Jesus and wants to live right will have trouble from others. But evil people who pretend to be what they are not will become worse than ever, as they fool others and are fooled themselves.”
– 2 Timothy 3:12-13 (CEV)

“That is why, for Christ’s sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.”
– 2 Corinthians 12:10

“Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me.”
– Matthew 24:9

WAYS PERSECUTION WORKS

1) Persecution comes to _____

“For the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down—the one who accuses them before our God day and night. And they have defeated him by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony. And they did not love their lives so much that they were afraid to die.”
– Revelation 12:10-11

2) Persecution attempts to _____

“Now when you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipe and all kinds of music, if you are ready to fall down and worship the image I made, very good. But if you do not worship it, you will be thrown immediately into a blazing furnace. Then what god will be able to rescue you from my hand?”
– Daniel 3:13-15

3) Persecution will _____

“Nebuchadnezzar, was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and in that moment his attitude changed toward them. “He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace.”
– Daniel 3:19

WAYS PERSECUTION REFINES

1) Persecution will _____

“Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”
– Daniel 3:16-18

2) Persecution will increase your _____

“So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace. The king’s command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the blazing furnace. Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, “Weren’t there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?” They replied, “Certainly, Your Majesty.” He said, “Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.”
– Daniel 3:21-25

“Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, “Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!” So, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire, and the satraps, prefects, governors and royal advisers crowded around them.”
– Daniel 3:26-27a

3) Persecution will _____

“They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed.” – Daniel 3:27b

“Then Nebuchadnezzar said, “Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king’s command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God. “Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego over the whole province of Babylon.”
– Daniel 3:28; 30