

BEYOND SUNDAY

Under Pressure — 11.16.25

Faith Under Pressure— *Daniel 6*— Mark Turney

1. Read Daniel 6:1–5.

Daniel distinguished himself “because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent.”

- Where do you feel the greatest pressure to compromise your integrity or soften your faith in your workplace or daily routines?
- What helps you remain “salt” in those environments?

2. Read Jeremiah 29:4–7 alongside Daniel 6:3.

How does Daniel live out Jeremiah’s command to “seek the peace and prosperity of the city”?

- What would it look like for you to bring God’s goodness and creativity into your own setting this week?

3. Read Daniel 6:10–11.

Daniel kept his rhythm of prayer even when it became dangerous.

- What spiritual habits keep you rooted when life feels pressured or uncertain?
- Where do you see gaps in your own “rhythms” with God?

4. Read Daniel 6:12–17.

Daniel could have hidden his faith.

- When have you been tempted to keep your faith private?
- What would “respectfully visible and graciously courageous” faith look like in that moment?

5. Read Luke 9:23 and Daniel 6:16–18.

The sermon noted that following Jesus means taking up a cross and that obedience may lead to suffering.

- Why do you think God sometimes allows faithfulness to be costly?
- How have you experienced His presence in those seasons?

6. Read Daniel 6:19–23.

How does Daniel give credit to God for his deliverance?

- What situations in your life might become testimony rather than just survival if you gave God the credit publicly?

7. Read Daniel 6:25–27.

Darius ends up proclaiming God's greatness.

- What does this reveal about the ripple effect of one faithful life?
- Who has influenced your faith by their consistent witness?

8. Revisit Matthew 5:13–16.

Jesus calls His followers salt and light.

- How do these verses echo Daniel's story?
- Where might God be asking you to influence, endure, or speak more openly?

9. Personal Reflection and Prayer

After reviewing Daniel 6, ask yourself:

- Which of the three areas do you most need to grow in right now — **being salt, enduring hurt, or shining light?**
- What practical step will you take this week to live that out?