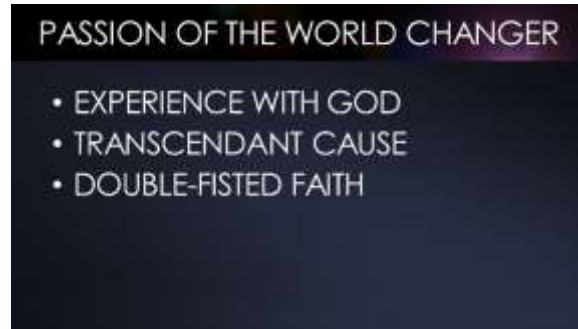
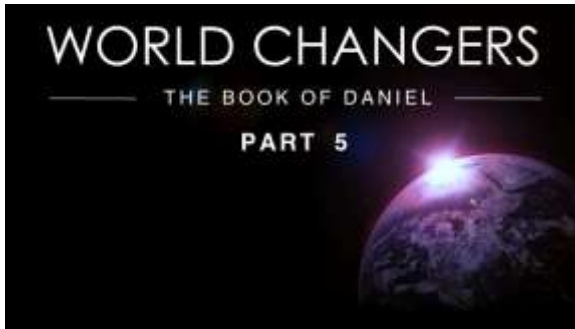


## Passion of the World Changer October 24, 2021 Discussion Notes

Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible

(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)



### Questions:

1. Icebreaker question: What are some of your life's passions?
2. The sermon (preached by Pastor David Beaver) was based on Daniel 3 and the story of "The Fiery Furnace." It focused on the faithful devotion demonstrated by Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego as they faced almost certain death. What do you remember about each of the main points?
3. What impressed you most in this story?
4. Do you think you would have had the courage that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego had? Why or why not?
5. Read Hebrews 11:1-40 (this is known as the "Faith Chapter", and it references Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in v. 34)
  - a) According to this passage, what is faith? (11:1). What do you think this means?
  - b) What did Noah's faith prompt him to do? (11:7)
  - c) How did faith affect Abraham's life? (11:8-12)
  - d) How does faith change a person's focus and perspective? (11:13-16)
  - e) What ultimate test of faith did God put Abraham through? (11:17-19)
  - f) What hard choices did Moses make because of his faith? (11:24-28)
  - g) What secret enabled Moses to persevere through rough times? (11:27)
  - h) What were some of the victories enjoyed by faithful Old Testament believers? (11:32-34)
6. Going deeper
  - a) How does this passage disprove the notion that faith always leads to earthly blessing? (11:35-38)
  - b) What did the people of faith in the Old Testament receive and what did they not receive? (11:39)
  - c) Which characters named in Hebrews 11 would you most like and least like to trade places with? Why?
  - d) How do you think the individuals praised in Hebrews 11 were looked upon by those of their day?
  - e) According to the Hebrews 11 passage, what is the only way we can please God with our lives? Why do you think this is?
  - f) Why do you think God sometimes leaves us in the dark about His will?
7. With what do you need to trust God even though you can't see what the future holds? How can you show this trust?
8. Spend some time praying that God would give you more faith and courage. And pray for any specific needs in your group.