Persevering through Persecution on the Journey to God's Planned Destiny

Daniel 6: 1-28 (NIV)

"Stopping on third base adds no more runs than striking out." ~Unknown

There are five lessons we can learn from this passage as we journey with Jesus to fulfill our life purpose.

1st Lesson: God's planned <u>destiny</u> for your life is more <u>magnificent</u> than your dreams.

- Daniel 6:3
- Daniel was a <u>prisoner</u>—now he is a prime minister!
- ➤ Don't let good things crowd out God's best for you.

2nd Lesson: There will be people who <u>conspire</u> to sabotage your purpose and disrupt your faith.

Daniel 6:4, 5; Proverbs 19:21

"God takes a safe course with His children, that they may not be condemned with the world. He permits the world to condemn them that they may not love the world; the world hates them." ~Richard Sibbes

3rd Lesson: <u>Persist</u> in your <u>worship</u> of God and through the power of His Holy Spirit <u>live</u> in <u>obedience</u>.

Daniel 6:10

"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies." ~Mother Theresa

4th Lesson: God proves Himself to be faithful at all times.

Daniel 6:19-23

"Dedication is writing your name on the bottom of a blank sheet of paper and handing it to the Lord for Him to fill in."~Rick Renner

5th Lesson: Your <u>faithfulness</u> will make an <u>impact</u> in others' lives not only an <u>impression</u>.

Daniel 6:26-28

"Sometimes your dream has to die so God's dream can come alive in you."
"Matthew Barnett

"God's dream for you might be something that you never knew was in you, until serving revealed it." ~Matthew Barnett