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MY FAVORITE BIBLE STORIES #12 - "The Fiery Furnace" - Daniel 3

Nebuchadnezzar is king in Babylon defeated the Egyptians at the battle of Carchemish, 605 B.C. – began to impose his will
over Jerusalem
Dan. 1:4 – brought some of the best Israelites to Babylon into his service those men chosen were men of: 1 (no physical defects) 2 (for every kind of learning) 3 (qualified to serve the king's palace) among those chosen were Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego
An image 60 cubits high, 6 cubits wide = feet high, feet wide
command is given that everyone is to bow and worship the image when the music is played
Why would King Nebuchadnezzar build such an image?
Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego did not bow and worship the image some astrologers 'denounced' them – literally, ' Dan. 3:12
Where was Daniel during this episode?
King Nebuchadnezzar gives them a second chance – Dan. 3:17-18 they have no uncertainty about God's to deliver them – they were not sure that God would to deliver them The king orders them to be tied up and thrown into the blazing furnace he orders the furnace to be heated times more than normal

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Why are they tied up? – I	If they are going to	be thrown	into the f	urnace,	what is	the
purpose of being bound?						

the fire has no effect on them - v. 27

Who is the fourth man in the fire?

Nebuchadnezzar identifies him as -

- 1) _____- v. 25
- 2) _____- v. 28

'the Most High God' – this is not an acknowledgement that God is the only true God – it is more like saying He is the _____ of gods