

## **Faithful in Transition**

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- 1. In what ways do you see modern culture reflecting the "exile" experience of Daniel and his friends, where faithfulness to God is challenged by the surrounding culture?
- 2. How does the story of Daniel challenge the popular belief that faithfulness to God guarantees rescue from difficulties? Can you think of a time in your life when God's will was not to rescue, but to help you grow?
- 3. Adam said that we are spiritually vulnerable during times of transition. Have you experienced spiritual challenges during major transitions? How did you remain faithful to God in those moments?
- 4. Daniel and his friends thrived in exile by not isolating themselves from Babylonian culture. How can we be present in today's culture without conforming to it? What are some practical ways to live out Jeremiah 29:7 in our context?
- 5. What does it mean to "work for the peace and prosperity" of a culture that may be at odds with your faith, as Daniel did in Babylon? How does this apply to your work or community involvement?