

We are bound with ropes of sin in our lives created by our lustful fleshly desires toward work, family, friends, even our places of worship, and our computer and other electronic devices will cause us to become drawn toward entanglement with ropes of sin. As Satan the devil uses entangled ropes of sin, many "knots" of life are produced causing emotional and physical harm to ourselves and other individuals in our lives. It will take the Most High Almighty Yahweh Elohim to untie our "knots" and ropes of sin to free us from the bondage of the enemy, Satan the devil.

In Daniel chapter 3, the three Hebrew young men were obeying the Most High and Exalted One Yahweh Elohim when they were breaking the law of the land of not bowing down to an idol of Nebuchadnezzar's golden statue. Hearing of this news of someone not obeying his decree of bowing down to the golden statue, Nebuchadnezzar became furious and enraged. Nebuchadnezzar tested the three Hebrew young men to see if they would bow or not bow down to the idol statue of gold in his presence. Seeing and learning the three Hebrew young men would not bow to his golden statue, he called for his strongest men to through them into the fire, which was heated seven times hotter than usual. Are you going through a seven-times-hotter-than-usual situation in your life? Does it seem as though every turn, every corner is a step backwards instead of forward? Although you are seeking, obeying, and serving the Most High and Exalted One Yahweh Elohim Almighty the best as you know how and able, your life is constantly full of events of challenges. The same fire that killed the king's men, who threw the three Hebrew men into the fire, the same fire protected the three Hebrew men. The difference between the two types of fires was that Yahweh sent His angel to protect the three Hebrew young men while they were in the fire.

Why the three Hebrew young men did not get burned or singed; and no smell of fire was on them when Nebuchadnezzar called them out of the fire?

- The three Hebrew young men trusted completely in Yahweh.
- The three Hebrew young men risked their lives obey and serve the Most High and Exalted One.
- The three Hebrew young men refused to worship any other god, but to worship, serve, and obey the Most High and Exalted GOD Almighty Yahweh Elohim.

The rope that Nebuchadnezzar had his strongest men to tie around the three Hebrew young men represents our sins that easily entangle us. Theses easily entangled sins are the works of the flesh and lust of the eyes that leads us down the wide and broad road to spiritual separation from our Heavenly Father and spiritual death. Some people worship idols of

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sports and games, their children, their intellect, their status or position in employment, their human body, and financial position.

You may say, "The three Hebrew young men were obedient servants of the Most High and Exalted One and they were arrested and thrown into the fire!" Yahweh Elohim allows His servants to become a teaching and testing tube for the benefit of lessons learned by both the one going through the test and the one who see the results of the one going through the test.

When the three Hebrew young men consistently obeyed the Most High and Exalted One, they were unknowingly being prepared for the upcoming test of Nebuchadnezzar's decree to worship his golden statue. This is an excellent reason to always keep on the armor of Yahweh and keep guarding our hearts through continuing prayers, worship and praises to Yahweh Elohim. The three Hebrew young men had developed and nurtured Spiritual confidence in the Most High and Exalted One to overcome and withstand the challenges of life. We read how the three Hebrew young men were speaking in the Name of the Most High and Exalted One on His behalf to show they were only serving, obeying, seeking, bowing down to Yahweh Elohim, and not a false god statue made of gold. Confidence in the protection, power, and provision by the Hand of the Almighty Yahweh Elohim comes to us as we seek, obey, and serve Him every day in our lives through reading and doing His word.

2 Peter 2 (Amplified Bible)

¹⁴ They have eyes full of harlotry, insatiable for sin. They beguile *and* bait *and* lure away unstable souls. Their hearts are trained in covetousness (lust, greed), [they are] children of a curse [exposed to cursing]! ¹⁵ Forsaking the straight road they have gone astray; they have followed the way of Balaam [the son] of Beor, who loved the reward of wickedness.

1 John 2:16 (Amplified Bible)

For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh [craving for sensual gratification] and the lust of the eyes [greedy longings of the mind] and the pride of life [assurance in one's own resources or in the stability of earthly things]—these do not come from the Father but are from the world [itself].

Yahweh Elohim will test His servants for a circular advantage for all internal and external parties, and for these three reasons:

- 1. To show His Almighty power to others.
- 2. To teach a faith-building lesson to His servants.
- 3. To show His compassion, mercy, love, and grace for all to come, accept, and believe in Him.

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The internal parties who learned a major merciful lesson were the three Hebrew young men thrown into the overheated fire that benefited from being protected in the fire by the Son of Yahweh an angel of Yahweh Elohim. The external parties who learned a major merciful lesson were Nebuchadnezzar, his court officials, military of strong men seeing the Son of Yahweh and angel of Yahweh in the fire protecting the three Hebrew young men. Nebuchadnezzar represents the wicked and evil system of the world that is guided by the ruler of this world Satan the devil (2 Corinthians 4:4).

The fire being heated seven times hotter represents two lessons.

1. Our perfect Heavenly Father will test our hearts to see if we truly love him, and to perfect us for Him, hence the number seven in "seven times hotter." Yahweh Elohim will perfect us in every way and work to become holy and separate for His service.

Genesis 22:1 (Amplified Bible)

After these events, God tested and proved Abraham and said to him, Abraham! And he said, Here I am.

1 Thessalonians 2:4 (Amplified Bible)

But just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the glad tidings (the Gospel), so we speak not to please men but to please God, Who tests our hearts [expecting them to be approved].

2. As the fire was being heated seven times hotter, also the Heavenly Father Most High and Exalted One was preparing one of His Sons, an angel, to send for protection of the three Hebrew young men. When the "fire" in our lives are being heated seven times hotter and there seems no way out, keep our mind focused on the things of Yahweh Elohim Almighty, and allow being thrown into the seven-times-hotter "fire" of life, and trust and obey the Most High and Exalted One to send His Son of Elohim, and angel and/or the Messiah Yeshua Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

If we are truly diligently seeking Yahweh Elohim, loving Him with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength, loving our neighbor as we love ourselves, obeying His commandments, serving Him from a sincere heart, reading and doing His word, praying and worshiping Him with a genuine heart, and we are not bowing down to idols of the flesh, and not bowing down to idols of the lust of the eyes, Yahweh Elohim is with us before, during, and after the "fiery" event in our lives.

Deuteronomy 11:12-14 (Amplified Bible)

12 A land for which the Lord your God cares; the eyes of the Lord your God are always upon it from the beginning of the year to the end of the year.



13 And if you will diligently heed My commandments which I command you this day—to love the Lord your God and to serve Him with all your [mind and] heart and with your entire being—

14 I will give the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil.

As the Heavenly Father "burns" off our ropes of sin in our lives, we are free to dance in the protection of His fire through the Son of Yahweh Elohim the Messiah Yeshua Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Yahweh Elohim will use many variables to "burn" away the ropes of sin that easily entangle us.

How do the ropes of sin easily entangle us?

- When we are spiritually weak and have not spent time "feasting" on the word of the Most High and Exalted One the Holy Bible. (Matthew 26:41; Mark 14:38)
- We are bowing down to idols of the flesh and lustful desires of the eyes. (Leviticus 26:1; Isaiah 46:2)
- Practicing the works of the flesh. (Galatians 4:29)

The three Hebrew young men danced in the protective fire with the angel of Yahweh Elohim and surprisingly, or not so surprisingly, they did not come out of the fire until Nebuchadnezzar shouted for them to come out of the fire. Did you noticed the words and how Nebuchadnezzar shouted out to the three Hebrew young men to come out of the fire?, "*Then Nebuchadnezzar came near to the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, you servants of the Most High God, come out and come here. Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out from the midst of the fire"* (Daniel 3:26). Only then, when Nebuchadnezzar saw the power of the Everliving, Eternal, Everlasting, and Almighty Yahweh Elohim did he say, "*Most High God*" to indicate he was aware of Yahweh Elohim's powerfulness.

Only by the power of the Almighty Heavenly Father may we become untangled and freed from the tricks of Satan the devil and sin in our lives, through His Son the Messiah Yeshua Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit. Yahweh Elohim Almighty showing His strength, power, mercy, grace, compassion, love, and deliverance through the faith-building test of the three Hebrew young men, showing to Nebuchadnezzar, his strongest men of the army and everyone throughout the land that there is only One Almighty Yahweh Elohim over all the earth and universe, which was a great lesson of Yahweh Elohim's never-ending attempts to draw people toward accepting, believing, and receiving Him.