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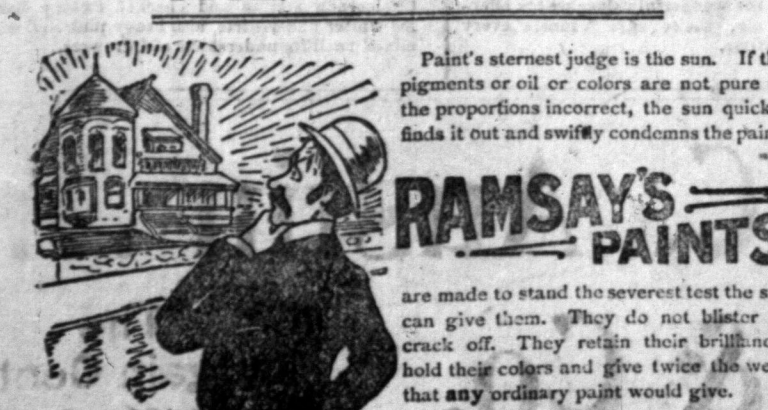
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Life of Daniel—The Man Faithful to
God in the Most Faithful to His Country
and to His Fellow Men.

Washington, Nov. 4.—This discourse of Dr. Talmage is appropriate for all seasons, but especially in these times of great political agitation. The text is Daniel vi, 16. "Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions."

Darius was king of Babylon, and the young man Daniel was so much a favorite with him that he made him prime minister or secretary of state. But no man could gain such a high position without exciting the envy and jealousy of the people. The king's demagogues in Babylon who were so appreciative of this young man's abilities that they were affronted by the elevation of this young man. Old Babylon was afraid of the lightning. These demagogues asked the king to make a decree that any one except the king during a period of 30 days should be put to death. King Darius, not suspecting any foul play, makes that decree. The demagogues have accomplished all they want, because they know that no one can keep Daniel from sending petitions before God for 30 days.

So far from being afraid, Daniel goes on with his supplications three times a day, and is found on his house-top making prayer. He is condemned to be devoured by the lions. Rough executioners of the law seize him and hasten him to the cavern. I hear the growl of the wild beasts, and I see them pawing the dust, and as they put their mouths to the ground the solid earth quakes with their bellowing. I see their eyes roll, and I almost hear the fiery eyeballs snap in the darkness. These monsters approach Daniel. They have an appetite keen with hunger. With one stroke of their paw or one of their teeth they may leave him dead at the bottom of the cavern. But what a strange welcome Daniel receives from these hungry monsters! They fawn around him; they lick his hand; they bury his feet in their long with his head pillowed on the warm necks of the tamed lions.

But not so well does Darius, the king, sleep. He has an attack of terrific insomnia. He has lost his rest and hates this stratagem by which he has been condemned. All night long the king walks the floor. He cannot sleep. At the least sound he starts, and his flesh creeps with horror. He is impatient for the dawn of the morning. At the first streak of the daylight Darius hastens forth to see the fate of Daniel. The heavy palace doors open and clang shut long before the people of the city awaken. Darius goes to the den of lions. He looks in. All is silent. His heart stops. He feels that the very worst has happened; but, gathering all his strength, he shouts through the rifts of the rock, "O Daniel, is thy God whom thou serves continually able to deliver thee?" There comes rolling up from the deep darkness a voice which says: "O king, live forever. My God has sent his angel to shut the lions' mouths that they have not hurt me. Then Daniel is brought out from the den. The demagogues are huddled into a den, and no sooner have they struck the bottom of the den than their flesh was rent, and their bones cracked, and their blood spurted through the rifts of the rock, and as the lions make the rocks tremble with their roar they announce to all ages that while God will defend his people the way of the ungodly shall perish.

Learn first from this subject that the greatest crime that you can commit is the crime of being in the wrong. What had Daniel done that he should be flung to the lions? He had become prime minister. They could not forgive him for that, and behold in that a touch of unsanctified human nature as seen in all ages. The world, so long as you are in power, so long as you are running the gamut between landlord and taxgatherer, so long as you find it hard work to educate your children, there are people who will say, "Poor man, I am sorry for him." He ought to succeed, poor man. But after awhile the tide turns in his favor. That was a profitable investment you made. You bought just at the right time. Fortune becomes good humored and smiles upon you. Now you are in some department successful, and your success chills some one. Those men who used to sympathize with you stand along the street, and they scowl at you from under the rim of their hats. You catch a word or two as you pass by them. "Stuck up," says one. "Got it dishonestly," says another. "Will burst soon," says a third. Every stone in your new house is laid on their hearts. Your horses' hoofs went over their nerves. Every item of your success has been to them an item of discomfort and despair. Just as soon as in any respect you rise above your fellows, if you are more virtuous, if you are more wise, if you are more influential, you cast a shadow on the prospects of others. The road to honor and success is within reach of the enemy's guns. Jealousy says, "Stay down or I'll knock you down." "I do not like you," says the snowflake to the

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snowbird. "Why don't you like me?" said the snowbird. "Oh," said the snowflake, "you are going up and I am coming down." Young merchants, young lawyers, young doctors, young mechanics, young artists, young farmers, at certain times there are those to sympathize with you, but now that you are becoming a master of your particular occupation or profession, how is it now, young lawyers, young doctors, young artists, young farmers—how is it now? The greatest crime that you can commit is the crime of success.

Again, my subject impresses me with the value of decision of character in any department. Daniel knew that if he continued his adherence to the religion of the Lord he would be hurled to the lions; but, having set his compass well, he sailed right on. For the lack of that element of decision of character so eminent in Daniel many men are ruined for this world and ruined for the world to come. A great many at 40 years of age are not settled in any respect, because they have not been able to make up their minds. Perhaps they will go west; perhaps they will go east; perhaps they will not; perhaps they will go north; perhaps they may go south; perhaps they will not; perhaps they may make that investment in real estate or in railroads; perhaps they will not. They are like a steamer that should go out of New York harbor, starting for Glasgow, and the next day should change for Havre de Grace, and the next for Charleston, and the next for Boston, and the next for Liverpool. These men on the sea of life everlastingly tacking ship and making no headway! Or they are like a man who starts to build a house in the Corinthian style and changes it to Doric style and changes it to Ionic style and changes it to Composite style of architecture. Young man, start right and keep on. Have decision of character. Character is like the goldfinch of Tongvin, it is magnificent while standing firm, but loses all its beauty in flight. How much decision of character in order that these young men may be Christians! Their old associates make sarcastic flings at them. They go on excursions, and they do not know where they are going. They will give out. They wonder if he is not getting wings. As he passes they grimace and wink and chuckle and say, "There goes a saint." A young man, have decision of character! You will afford in this matter of religion to be laughed at. What do you care for the scoffs of these men, who are affronted because you will not go to ruin with them? When the grave cracks open under their feet, and grim messengers push them into it, and eternity comes down hard upon their spirit, and conscience stings, and hopeless ruin lifts them up to hurl them down, will they laugh at the scoffs of these men?

I learn also from my subject that men may take religion into their worldly business. This is a most appropriate thought at this season of the year, when so many men are dawning of the morning. Daniel had enough work to do to occupy six men. All the affairs of state were in his hands; questions of finance, questions of war, of peace; all international questions were for his settlement or adjustment. He must have had a correspondence vast beyond all computation. There was not a man in all the earth who had more to do than Daniel, the secretary of state, and yet we find him three times a day bowing before God in prayer. There are men in our day who have not a hundredth part of Daniel's engagements who say they are too busy to be religious. They have an idea somehow that religion will spoil their worldly occupation, that it will trip the accountant's pen or dull the carpenter's saw or confuse the lawyer's brief or disarrange the merchant's store shelf. They think

religion is unimportant. They would like to have it very well seated beside them in church on the Sabbath, to find the place in the palmbook or to nudge them awake when they get sleepy under the didactic discourse, or they would like to leave it in the pew on Sabbath evening as they go out, closing the door, saying: "Good night, religion; I'll be back next Sunday!" But to have religion right along by them all through life, to have religion looking over their shoulder when they are making a bargain, to have religion take up a bag of dishonest gold and shake it and say, "Where did you get that?" They think that is an impertinent religion. They would like to have a religion to help them when they are sick, and when the shadow of death comes over them they would like to have religion as a sort of nightgown with which to open the door of heaven, but religion under other circumstances they take to be impertinent. Now, my friends, religion never robbed a man of a dollar. Other things being equal, a man will build a better wall, a cabinet maker will make a better chair, a plumber will make a better pipe, a merchant will sell a better pile of goods. I say, then, religion gives a man a new heart. It does not propose to give him a new head or to intellectualize him or to change a man's condition when his ordinary state is an overthrow of the philosophical theory that a vacuum is impossible. The more letters you have to write, the more burdens you have to carry, the more miles you have to travel, the more engagements you have to meet, the more opportunities you have of being a Christian. If you have a thousand irons in the fire, you have a thousand more opportunities of serving God than if you only had one iron in the fire. Who so busy as a Christian? And yet who a millionth part as holy? The busiest men the best men. All the persons converted in Scripture busy at the time of their conversion. Matthew, attending to his custom house duties; the prodigal son, feeding swine; Lydia, selling purple; Simon Peter hauling in the net from the sea; Saul, spurring his horse toward Damascus, going down on his law business. Busy, busy, Daniel with all the affairs of state weighing down upon his soul, and three times a day worshipping the God of heaven.

Again I learn from this subject that a man may take religion into his politics. Daniel had all the affairs of state on his hand, yet a servant of God. He could not have kept his elevated position unless he had been a thorough politician, and yet all the thrusts of officials and all the danger of disgrace did not make him yield one iota of his high toned religious principles. He stood before that age, he stands before all ages, a specimen of a godly politician. There have been in our day and in the days of our fathers men as eminent in the service of God as they have been eminent in the service of the state. Such was Benjamin F. Butler, attorney general of New York in the time of your fathers. Such was John McLean of the supreme court of the United States. Such was George Briggs of Massachusetts. Such was Theodore Frelinghuysen of New Jersey—men faithful to the state, at the same time faithful to God. It is absurd to expect that men who have been immersed in political wickedness for 30 or 40 years shall come to reformation, and our hope is in the young men who are coming up, that they have patriotic principle and Christian principle side by side. They come to the ballot box and cast their first vote and that they swear allegiance to the government of heaven as well as to the government of the United States. We would have Bunker Hill men less than Calvary men and Lexington men less than Bethlehem men, but because there are bad men around the ballot box is no reason why Christian men should retreat from the arena. The last time you ought to give up your child or forsake your child is when it is surrounded by a company of Choctaws, and the last time to surrender the ballot box is when it is surrounded by impurity and dishonesty and all sorts of wickedness.

Daniel stood on a most unpopular platform. He stood firmly, though demagogues of the day hissed at him and tried to overthrow him. We must carry our religion into politics. But there are a great many men who are in favor of taking religion into national politics who do not see the importance of taking it into city politics, as though a man were intelligent about the welfare of his neighborhood and had no concern about his own home. My subject also impresses me with the fact that lions cannot hurt a good man. No man ever got into worse company than Daniel got into when he was thrown into the den. What a rare morsel that fair young man would have been for the hungry monsters! If they had plunged at him, he could not have clung into a niche beyond the reach of their teeth. They came, pleased, all around him, as hunters' hounds at the well known whistle come bounding at his feet. You need not go to Numidia to get many lions. The lion of financial distress, the lion of sickness, the lion of persecution. You saw that lion of financial panic putting his mouth down to the earth, and he roared until all the banks and all the insurance companies quaked. With his nostril he scattered the ashes on his domestic hearth. You have had trial after trial, misfortune after misfortune, lion after lion, and yet they have never hurt you if you put your trust in God, and they never will hurt you. They did not hurt Daniel, and they cannot hurt you. The Persians used to think that spring rain falling into

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