

Who is the Biblical Jesus - Part 3

“Jesus in the Old Testament & Our Authority in Him
Today”

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Based on Daniel 10 and Daniel 3

I. Jesus Appears in the Old Testament—Even When We Don't Recognize Him

Jesus is revealed throughout Scripture—not only in the New Testament.

Daniel 10:4–6: The “man clothed in linen” matches Jesus’ description in Revelation 1:12–16:

- Face like lightning
- Eyes like torches of fire
- Arms and feet like burnished bronze
- Voice like a multitude

Daniel’s companions felt His presence but didn’t see Him (Daniel 10:7).

This is a theophany—a pre-incarnate appearance of Christ.

Note: His radiant appearance reflects divine glory—not human ethnicity.

Jesus was a Hebrew from the tribe of Judah.

II. Daniel's Fasting vs. Our Authority in Christ

Daniel fasted 21 days to seek understanding (Daniel 10:2–3).

But we live under a new covenant:

- We are the Bride of Christ (Ephesians 5:25–27)
- We are seated with Christ in heavenly places (Ephesians 2:6)
- Jesus calls us friends, not servants (John 15:15)

Religious fasting without revelation can:

Imply we must earn God's favor

Signal to the enemy that we don't understand our authority

Truth: Jesus said, "It is finished" (John 19:30).

We operate from victory—not for it.

III. Spiritual Warfare: Principalities, Powers, and Our Authority

Daniel 10:12–13: A demonic "prince of Persia" resisted an angel for 21 days.

Confirmed in Ephesians 6:12:

“We do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, powers, rulers of darkness...”

Key truths:

Demonic powers have territorial assignments (e.g., prince of Persia, prince of the ocean).

They gain legal rights through human sin or pagan practices.

But they have NO authority over believers in Christ.

Our response:

Bind their activity (Matthew 16:19)

Command them to flee in Jesus' name.

Never negotiate—Jesus never did.

Testimony: In Norway, we commanded the “prince of the ocean” to leave.

Jesus stood over the city—and revival broke out.

IV. The Faith of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: A Model for End-Time Believers

They refused to worship Nebuchadnezzar's golden image (Daniel 3).

Their bold declaration (Daniel 3:16–18):

“Our God can deliver us.”

“But even if He doesn't, we will not serve your gods.”

Thrown into a furnace heated 7 times hotter—yet unharmed.

Nebuchadnezzar saw “the fourth man... like a son of God” (Daniel 3:25)—Jesus in the fire!

Fulfilled in Isaiah 43:2:

“When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned; neither shall the flame scorch you.”

Application:

The end-time Antichrist system will demand worship (e.g., digital image, mark of the beast).

We must stand firm, trusting Jesus in the fire—not just from it.

V. Our Identity in Christ Surpasses Even Daniel's

Daniel was faithful—but we have greater covenant privileges:

- We are sons of God (Romans 8:14)
- Angels are ministering spirits sent to serve us (Hebrews 1:14)
- We reign with Christ now (Revelation 3:21)
- Wisdom brings blessing (Proverbs 3:16):

Right hand: long life

Left hand: riches and honor

Obedience leads to promotion, favor, and divine protection—just like Daniel's friends.

VI. Practical Application: Walk in Authority, Not Religion

Stop:

Fasting to “convince” God

Praying as if God is reluctant

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Giving the devil power through fear or false teaching
(e.g., generational curses)

Start:

- Commanding sickness to leave (Luke 4:39)
- Laying hands on the sick—they will recover (Mark 16:18)
- Binding demonic strongholds in Jesus' name

Our mission: Win souls and set captives free—inside and outside the church.

“I’m not satisfied yet—I want 20 more years to win souls for Jesus!”

Conclusion:

- You Are More Than a Conqueror
- Jesus is with you in every trial.
- The enemy is under your feet (Romans 16:20).
- Walk as a friend of Jesus, ruling in wisdom, power, and love.

Don’t give the devil a foothold—stand firm in your identity and authority!

Final Scripture:

“The God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed... and it will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end.”

— Daniel 2:44