

**First Baptist Church of Hampton**  
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**June 12, 2022**  
**Sermon Outline Closed Notes:**

**Sermon Scripture:** Daniel 3:8 – 18 (GNT))

**Message Title:** I Will Not Bow Down!

**Current Context:**

- We have noticed, recently, that people all over the world are having troubles \_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Many people have e\_\_\_\_\_ and metaphorically b\_\_\_\_\_ d\_\_\_\_\_!
- And the church today is losing its p\_\_\_\_\_; we are losing our r\_\_\_\_\_, we are losing our e\_\_\_\_\_; because many of us have decided to bow down.
- We meet, in this text, somewhere in the dark, dank, dungeons of B\_\_\_\_\_, in the seat of Nebuchadnezzar’s palace.
- The Babylonian government has been corrupted by i\_\_\_\_\_, consumed by w\_\_\_\_, and they had a k\_\_\_\_\_ who was interested in making people bow down.
- Everybody comes from the c\_\_\_\_\_ of the country to the capital, and do as they were i\_\_\_\_\_ and i\_\_\_\_\_ to do...they bow down!
- But it is good to know that God only needs a f\_\_\_\_\_ to start c\_\_\_\_\_ the status quo; a few to stand up for r\_\_\_\_\_ (by standing up for people); only a few to raise the s\_\_\_\_\_, and so D\_\_\_\_\_ and his homeboys, Shadrach (Hananiah – God has favored), Meshach (Mishael – Who is What God is), and Abednego (Azariah – Jehovah has helped), show up to say, “I w\_\_\_ n\_\_\_ bow down!”

**Relevant Question(s):**

- How, with everyone around us bowing down, do we avoid bowing down?

**Sermon Observations:**

1. You must be c\_\_\_\_\_ in your i\_\_\_\_\_!
2. You must be c\_\_\_\_\_ of your i\_\_\_\_\_!
3. You will be c\_\_\_\_\_ by God’s i\_\_\_\_\_!

**Calvary Connection:**

- He took out the sting!
- Over 2,000 years ago, your big b\_\_\_\_\_ c\_\_\_\_\_ you! He took out the s\_\_\_\_\_ and kept you covered! He took out the sting of d\_\_\_\_\_; the sting of the g\_\_\_\_\_; the sting of h\_\_\_\_\_...at C\_\_\_\_\_ He covered you! With n\_\_\_\_\_ in His h\_\_\_\_\_, He took out the sting; He died on F\_\_\_\_\_ and took out the sting! And e\_\_\_\_\_ on Sunday morning, He got up and t\_\_\_\_\_, “I took out the sting!”

**Personal Reflection:**

- Reflect on how God’s covering gives you the strength to know who you are and whose you are (identity)? In a culture where it seems that lies are profitable, what pushes you to maintain a sense of integrity?