



Stand Strong When the World is Crashing Down

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Let's Be Honest...We are in tough times!

- **Leadership** Tensions
- **Economic** Turmoil
- **National** Fears
- **Religious** Rough Waters

Daniel 1:1-2

²¹In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it. ²And the Lord delivered Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the articles from the temple of God. These he carried off to the temple of his god in Babylonia and put in the treasure house of his god.

Looking at Daniel...He was in a tough time!

- **Leadership** Issues (Jehoiakim)
- **Economic** Collapse (Besieged)
- **National** Destruction (Fall of Jerusalem)
- **Religious** Confusion (Raiding of the Temple)

When things can't get any worse...sometimes they do!

Daniel 1:3-16

Is there a point you just give up?

The story of David Ring

I have Cerebral Palsy, What's Your problem? - David Ring

Where do you draw the line? For Daniel, it was his faith!

How Do You Stand Strong When the World is Crashing Down?

Determine that the condition of the [world](#) will not [determine](#) the condition of your [faith](#)!

How Do You Stand Strong When the World is Crashing Down?

Recognize that [God](#) is still on the [throne](#) even when the world is crashing down

How Do You Stand Strong When the World is Crashing Down?

Flex and negotiate on [non-essentials](#) and be uncompromising on [core issues](#) of faith

How Do You Stand Strong When the World is Crashing Down?

Make a clear [plan](#), [express](#) it, and [pursue](#) it in the power of God!

How Do You Stand Strong When the World is Crashing Down?

Recognize the [gifts](#) God has given you and [lean](#) into them

Where do you need to stand in the storm?