The LIONS

in Daniel chapter six Were / are...

"Then King Darius wrote: To all peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth: Peace be multiplied to you. I make a decree that in every dominion of my kingdom men must tremble and fear before the God of Daniel. For He is the living God, and steadfast forever; His kingdom is the one which shall not be destroyed, and His dominion shall endure to the end. He delivers and rescues, and He works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth, Who has delivered Daniel from the power of the lions. (Daniel 6:25-27)

an important part of a climactic chapter (Agree? yes, no, partly)

deadly but miraculously overcome

(Agree? yes, no, partly)

most other wild animals (Agree? yes, no, partly)

feared more than

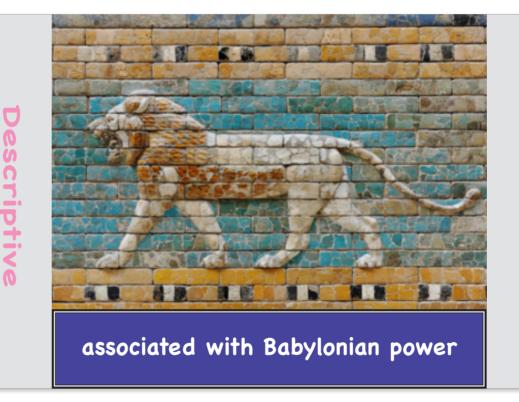
helping show that Daniel's God is GOD (Agree? yes, no, partly)

in a tomb like den (6:17) (Agree? yes, no, partly)

instinctively ready to kill and devour (Agree? yes, no, partly)

much like the fiery furnace in 3:4-29

(Agree? yes, no, partly)



not feared by Daniel (6:10, 23) (Agree? yes, no, partly)

not to be feared instead of the Lord (6:25-27) (Agree? yes, no, partly)

part of a resurrection-like story (Agree? yes, no, partly)

probably terrified by the angel (Agree? yes, no, partly)

probably like the guards in Matt. 28:4 (Agree? yes, no, partly)

stronger than Daniel's enemies (6:24) (Agree? yes, no, partly)

used to <u>intimidate (6:7, 26-27)</u> (Agree? yes, no, partly)

weak compared to the God of Daniel (6:27) (Agree? yes, no, partly)

wrongly depicted by many artists (Agree? yes, no, partly)

Directions: after reading through Daniel chapter six and some good articles on the nature of lions and Babylon, consider and discuss the way the lions that Daniel was delivered from are described above. Do you agree with the points made? Would you change or add to them in any way? — At the end of the study, discuss the most important descriptive phrases and make applications. In this, think about who or what you find intimidating while comparing such to the mightly God of Daniel and the power of God seen in the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. — © 2022 by Jon F. Mahar, Hakusan City, Japan and Alexander, Maine, U.S.A.