Total Surrender

Total Surrender to GOD is Totally Logical: GOD is Trustworthy/All-Powerful

Thus says the LORD, "Let not a wise man glory in his wisdom, and let not the mighty man glory in his might, let not a rich man glory in his riches; but let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises loving-kindness, justice, and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things," declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 9:23, 24 NASB (KJV & Darby)

The LORD declares He **delights** in:

God delights in His Exercises!

- Exercising His Loving-kindness on our behalf on earth
- Exercising His Justice on our behalf on earth
- Exercising His **Righteousness** on our behalf on earth

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that **by testing** you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:2

Shadrach, Meshach & Abed-nego tested & saved from the Fiery Furnace Daniel 3
Shadrach, Meshach & Abed-nego (S/M/A) Understood & Knew God (The diet test; Daniel 1:8-20)
S/M/A defied King Nebuchadnezzar's demand that they worship his gods/idol v16-18

Loving-kindness - S/M/A's lives spared & they walked with an angel/Jehovah v23-27

- Nebuchadnezzar "caused S/M/A to prosper in Babylon" v30

Justice - S/M/A's lives were spared v23-27

- Death of soldiers who obeyed Nebuchadnezzar's command v22

Righteousness - Nebuchadnezzar decreed that the God of S/M/A was to be revered

and anyone failing to do so would be "torn limb from limb" v28-29

Daniel tested & saved from Lions' Den Daniel 6

Daniel Understood & Knew GOD (The diet test; Daniel 1:8-20)

Daniel's devotion to God was the only avenue of attack his enemies could find against him v3-5

Daniel defied King Darius's erroneous degree and continued to worship the one true God v10

God delights in His Exercises!

Loving-kindness - Daniel's life was spared & he spent a night with an angel v21-23

- Daniel's testimony was known/appreciated by the King v14-20, 28

Justice - Daniel's life was spared v21-23

- Those that had plotted against Daniel & King Darius were killed in the lions' den (2 commissioners & 120 satraps & their families) v24

Righteousness - King Darius decreed that, "in all the dominion of my kingdom men are to fear and tremble before the God of Daniel" v25-27

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