

1. The king of Babylon besieged,
Nebuchadnezzar besieged;
God gave Jerusalem to his hand –
And vessels from His house so grand;
The king of Babylon besieged.

2. Captured in Babylon, we're captured!
God has allowed us to be captured.
Their strange gods are gold and stone,
Not like Jehovah, the living one.
Captured in Babylon, we're captured!

3. God gave us knowledge and insight, God gave!
God gave us learning and wisdom, God gave!
Understanding dreams, interpreting visions,
Riddle declaring, problem resolving;
God gave surpassing wisdom, God gave!

4. Diff'rent, we don't care that we're diff'rent!
Diff'rent, we're glad that we are diff'rent!
Just like Daniel set his heart -
We always choose the better part!
We're diff'rent, and we're glad that we are diff'rent!

(Can be sung to: Frog Went a-Courtin')

Song 2 - Psalms 137:1-6

1. By the rivers of Babylon,
There we sat down, yes, we wept;
When we remembered Zion,
On the willows we hung up our harps.
For there they that captivated us
Required of us a song;
And they that wasted us required of us joy,
To sing the songs of Zion.

2. How shall we sing
The Lord's song in a strange land
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
Let my right hand wither away;
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,
If I do not prefer Jerusalem above my highest joy.

Let my right hand wither away;
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,
If I do not prefer Jerusalem above my highest joy.

(Original Tune)

Song 3 *Daniel 1: 7*

Daniel, Hananiah, Azariah, Mishael:
Names we were given by our parents;
Names which describe God so well!
DANIEL means that "God is my Judge."
HANANIAH: "Favored of our God."
MISHAEL: "Who is what God is?"
AZARIAH: "God has helped!"
Young overcomers for our God!

(Can be sung to: Yankee Doodle Dandy)

1. God's mercy is shown in these stories of old -
God's planning everything.
His people were captive in Babylon -
God's ruling everything.

Chorus:

**God is, our God is behind every scene!
God is, our God is coordinating!
God is, our God is divine arranging!
Yes, God orders everything!**

2. God sent overcomers who trusted in Him
To live with an evil king.
But favor was given by God to them -
God orders everything!

3. Their caretaker let them eat regular food;
For ten days they had a test.
With veggies and water their faces did shine;
The king found that they were best.

(Can be sung to: Viva la Compagnie)

There once was a boy named Daniel,
far away from home,
Courageous boy named Daniel,
but he was not alone.

God took care of Daniel - three true friends had he;
Boys who stood together; on this they all agreed:
They would not eat that kingly food,
They wouldn't take a bite!
Their parents taught them better than to eat that way,
They decided to eat right!
Not a bite, not a bite, not a single bite!
They stood for the Lord and against the world,
They decided to eat right!

Chorus 1:

Not a bite! (**No!**) Not a bite! (**No!**)
Not a single bite! (**No, No!**)
Not for a month or a week or a day,
They decided to eat right! (**EAT RIGHT!**)

Chorus 2:

Not a bite! (**No!**) Not a bite! (**No!**)
Not a single bite! (**NOT A BITE!**)
Not for a second or a minute or an hour -
They decided to eat right!
(Right, right, right, right, right! EAT RIGHT!)

(Can be sung to: Only a Boy Named David)

1. Daniel and his three companions
Strong against the idols stood;
Overcame to eat like God said,
Set their hearts toward God for good!

2. Daniel went to his companions,
Made the king's decree known to them;
Four together prayed for wisdom,
God to Daniel revealed the dream.

(Counterpoint)

The ones who *know their God show strength;
They show strength and action take!
The ones who know their God are strong
To act and not their God forsake.

(Can be sung to: Something Every Heart is Loving)

** verse begins when counterpoint gets here!!*

Oh, yes, I can!

(I can choose my friends so carefully.)

Oh, yes, I can!

(I can choose my friends so carefully.)

Oh, yes I can (*Oh, yes I can!*)

Choose carefully (*Choose carefully!*)

Oh, YES!

I can choose my friends so carefully!

Oh, yes, I can!

(I can choose friends who choose carefully.)

Oh, yes, I can!

(I can choose friends who choose carefully.)

Oh, yes I can (*Oh, yes I can!*)

Choose carefully (*Choose carefully!*)

Oh, YES!

I can choose friends who choose carefully!

(musical directions:

Part 1 starts.

Part 2 is in italics.

BOLD words are sung by both parts: part 1 is LOW, part 2 is HIGH!!!!)

(Can be sung to: Come Let Us Sing)

1. Behind the scenes, behind the scenes,
The heavens rule in everything.
Our prayers are heard! God sends His Word;
Be strong, be peaceful, and be strong.

2. When troubles come, go find a chum;
Together we can overcome!
Just step away, take time to pray!
Request compassions of our God.

3. God grants, God gives, God makes us live;
We're His – our ways belong to Him.
Because, behind the scenes, behind the scenes,
The heavens rule in everything.

(Can be sung to: Aloha 'Oi)

1.
Head and shoulders, trunk and legs, trunk and legs;
Head and shoulders, trunk and legs, trunk and legs;
Sixty cubits high, idol reaching to the sky -
We won't bow down when their music plays!
(NO WAY!)

2.
Gold and silver, bronze and iron, bronze and iron;
Gold and silver, bronze and iron, bronze and iron;
Feet and toes of iron mixed with clay:
Nebuchadnezzar's statue blows away!
Nebuchadnezzar's statue blows away!
(BLOWS AWAY!)

(Can be sung to: Tavern in the Town, Chorus only)

1. You saw that from the mountain
A stone was cut, A stone was cut, a stone was cut;
You saw that from the mountain a stone was cut,
Without hands, a stone was cut.

2. That stone did crush the iron and
The bronze and the clay,
The silver and gold, it all went away.
That stone did crush the iron and the
Bronze and the clay, the silver and gold that day.

3. This means that in the days of those kings
The God of the heavens will raise up,
Will raise a kingdom which cannot be
Destroyed, but will see no end.

4. This final kingdom puts an end
To all other kingdoms,
It stands forever, God made it known.
This final kingdom puts an end
To all other kingdoms;
God's kingdom stands alone.

(Can be sung to: Mango Walk)

1. Let the name of God be blessed.
Let the name of God be blessed.
It is He who changes seasons,
Causes kings to rise and fall.
Let the name of God be blessed.

2. Let the name of God be blessed.
Let the name of God be blessed.
He reveals the hidden things;
And the light dwells with Him.
Let the name of God be blessed.

3. Let the name of God be blessed.
Let the name of God be blessed.
We will give You thanks and praise,
You have answered our requests,
Let the name of God be blessed.

(Can be sung to: Let us Break Bread Together)

1. If they take me from my home country
And bring me to another -
No matter what they do to me,
I will not forget my God!

I will not forget my God!
I will not forget my God!
Bring me here or take me anywhere,
I will not forget my God!

2. They can try to make us all bow down
And worship lifeless idols;
But their music we won't listen to,
We will not forget our God!

We will not forget our God!
We will not forget our God!
Bring us here or take us anywhere,
We will not forget our God!

(Can be sung to: The Girl I Left Behind Me)

1. Our God is living,
He's not a statue,
Our God can see us,
our God can hear, too.
He's not an idol
of gold or silver,
We serve the God
who's real and true!

2. He is the Most High,
God of the heavens;
He holds our breath and
rules heaven's army;
The God of gods and
the Lord of kings, too –
He can overrule
the king's decree!

(Can be sung to: Oh, My Lovin' Brother)

1. We will not! we will not!
We will not, not, not!
We will not serve your gods!
We have purposed in our heart,
We will not bow down –
We will not, not, not!

2. “Make it hot! Make it hot!
Make it seven times hot!
You had better serve our gods!”
But our God whom we serve
 can deliver us.
We will not, not, not!

3. We will not! We will not!
We will not, not, not!
We will not serve your gods!
Even if God does not
 get us out and it's hot,
We will not, not, not!!

(Original Tune)

1. I see four men walkin'
In the midst of the fire! (*They're loose!*)
I see four men walkin'
In the midst of the fire! (*Not harmed!*)
Not three, but four (*Not three, but four!!*)
There were three before (*There were three before*);
Looks like an angel with them,
And He's the fourth. (*And He's the fourth!*)

2. You servants of God most high –
Come out, come here! (*Come out! come here!*)
Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego
Came out, came near. (*Came out! came near!*)
Every leader there (*Every leader there!*)
Saw what God had done (*Saw what God had done*)
No burn, no singe, no smell, no harm! (*Gasp!*)
No not one! (*Gasp! No not one!*)

3. Blessed be the most high God
Of these servants three! (*servants three*)
Blessed be the most high God!
Now I make a decree. (*make a decree*)
They've changed my word (*they've changed my word*)
Even though I'm king! (*even though I'm king*);
Never say a word against their God; no, not a thing!

(*Can be sung to: Just Taste and See*)

1. What do you do when your friends say
Let's do something you know you really shouldn't?
That's the time to walk away and part company.
Part company, part company,
That's the time to walk away and part company.

2. We don't need that kind of friend
And we don't need to be with them,
They'll only hurt us in the end,
They're bad company!
Bad company, bad company,
Don't be afraid to say "Goodbye" to bad company.

3. What kind of friends then should we play with,
Have overnight and spend the day with?
Those who take the upright way;
They're good company!
Good company, good company,
Those who take the upright way;
They're good company.

(Traditional Irish Sea Shanty)

1. On top of my palace, I'm looking around -
I'm Nebuchadnezzar, with Babylon's crown.
By my might, my power and my majesty
I've built up my greatness, and my royalty.

2. My my my my my my my! It's all about me!
My might and my power and my majesty!
A voice came from heaven! 'Twas spoken to me-
"The kingdom is taken from you, oh, King!

3. Go out to the pasture - eat grass like a bull;
Until you can learn that the heavens rule!"
And after those days I looked up to the sky;
My reason returned and I blessed the Most High.

4. His works are all truthful, and just are His ways;
I learned He is able the proud to abase.
His reign is eternal, He's never outdone;
I praise and I honor the living One.

(Can be sung to: On Top of Old Smoky)

1. Belshazzar, he had a party;
A thousand lords, and the wine was hearty;
He sent for gold and silver vessels from
The house of God in Jerusalem.
The king, his lords, and his wives and such,
They praised their gods of iron and
Wood and stone so much.
They drank from vessels which to God belong!
They failed to honor Him, their actions wrong.

2. On the wall were fingers and a hand
Writing words that none could understand.
Oh, what alarm! The king cried out and shook;
His knees were knocking; had a desperate look.
“Go call my counselors and men so wise!
If you can read this you will earn a great prize!”
But none could tell what the words did mean,
Until the advice from the wise old queen.

3. “In your kingdom, there is a man;
Light and insight and wisdom are found in him.”
When Daniel came, the king did plea:
“Can you read these strange words to me?”

4. “You must surely know the story well;
How God had made your forefather to excel.
Then arrogance and pride increased;
‘Til God reduced him to the life of a beast.
You knew this, but humbled not your heart;
You praised your idols, but Jehovah honored not.
So, I will tell you what the writings mean:
It’s Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin.

5. God has numbered your kingdom’s span;
And it is ended and divided, that’s His plan.
The scales have weighed,
And you are judged to lack;
Now Mede and Persian armies will attack.”
That very same night, Belshazzar was slain;
And Darius, the Mede, took the kingdom’s rein;
The Jews were sent back to Jerusalem.
Yes, God behind the scenes had worked again!
God behind the scenes had worked again!

(Can be sung to: La Marche Des Rois)

Part 1

Daniel, a chosen man of God!
Captive, he was in Babylon.
Faithful, he prayed thrice daily;
For seventy years
Daniel prayed toward God's land.
(for His house and people)

Part 2

Daniel, Daniel, Daniel,
A man of God!
Captive, captive, captive
In Babylon.
Faithful, faithful, faithful,
Praying three times daily;
Daniel prayed to God.
(for His house and people)

(Can be sung to: Colonel Bogey March)

1. “We’re jealous of that Daniel.
The King likes him the best.
He’s faithful and not negligent,
He’s better than the rest!
He’s so distinguished, has an excellent spirit!
How can we trap him? He prays to his God!

2. King Darius, live forever!
We think you are so cool!
No prayer to anyone but you -
Write up a brand new rule!
Establish an edict: thirty days no prayer!
Those who pray to God or man,
Throw in the lions’ lair!”

3. Though Daniel was aware of
What the edict did forbid,
He knelt and at his window prayed
Just like he always did.
He prayed to His God,
Even while they watched and hid;
Prayed to His God, just like he always did!

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4. King Darius was so upset
He'd fallen for the trap.
Not harming Daniel was his goal;
He worked all day on that.
“Your law now demands that
You throw him to the lions’ den!”
Darius agreed then, and they threw him in.

5. “Your God you serve continually,
He will deliver you!”
The king then fasted all night long,
His sleep fled from him, too.
He went to the lions’ den at the morning dew;
Shouted to Daniel —
“Has your God delivered you?”

6. “My God has sent His angel
And has shut the lion’s jaws,
For innocence was found in me.”
They did not use their claws!
“My God delivers! My God delivers!
My God delivers — He’s the living God!”
Daniel’s God delivers, Daniel’s God delivers
Daniel’s God delivers — He’s the living God!

(Can be sung to: Wait for the Wagon)

1. Long ago their fathers dwelt in
A rich and spacious land;
It flowed with milk and honey,
In hills and valleys grand.
It was given by Jehovah, and kept by Him secure.
As long as men would love Him, He made their safety sure.

2. But the people's love grew colder;
From God they turned away;
They tested His endurance: to idols went astray.
They were conquered and made prisoner;
To Babylon were led,
Where Daniel was a captive,
But remembered what God said.

3. Windows open toward Jerusalem,
On bended knees he prayed,
For God to show compassion, and bring them home one day.
Daniel asked God to remember His promise to their race,
To keep His holy city and build His dwelling place.

(Counterpoint to **second half** of verse)

Oh, Lord, hear! Lord, forgive!
Take action, Lord, don't delay!

(Can be sung to: Yellow Rose of Texas)

1. There's a land where I really want to be!
There's a land where I really want to be!

Chorus

There's a land! There's a land!
There's a land where I really want to be!

2. There's a city in the land where I really want to be!
There's a city in the land where I really want to be!

3. There's a wall around the city
In the land where I really want to be!
There's a wall around the city
In the land where I really want to be!

4. There's a house behind the wall around the city
In the land where I really want to be!
There's a house behind the wall around the city
in the land where I really want to be!

5. I'm gonna pray for the house behind the wall
Around the city in the land where I really want to be!
I'm gonna pray for the house behind the wall
Around the city in the land where I really want to be!

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6. For the people to return I'm gonna pray,
For the house behind the wall around the city
In the land where I really want to be!
For the people to return I'm gonna pray,
For the house behind the wall around the city
In the land where I really want to be!

(Chorus)

There's a land! There's a land!

There's a land where I really want to be!

7. Three times a day for the people to return
I'm gonna pray, for the house behind the wall
Around the city in the land where I really want to be!
Three times a day for the people to return
I'm gonna pray, for the house behind the wall
Around the city in the land where I really want to be!

(Can be sung to: There's a Hole in the Bottom of the Sea)

1. Daniel, man of preciousness,
Preciousness, preciousness,
Daniel, man of preciousness,
God has heard your word.

(high part)

Daniel, man of preciousness,
Preciousness itself;
God has heard, God has heard,
God has heard your word.

2. Those who turn many to
Righteousness — shine like the stars;
Those who turn many to righteousness will shine.

(high part)

Shine like the shining of the heavenly expanse!
Shine like the shining of the heavenly expanse!

(Original Tune)

Daniel prayed, Darius gave,
And the people's hearts were brave!
Many went back home so
God's promise could be fulfilled.
We can go, we can pray,
And our money send that way –
For your house, oh, Lord;
To recover, restore, rebuild.

(Can be sung to: Muss Ich Denn)

1. Cause Your face to shine upon
Your sanctuary that's torn down!
For Your sake, Lord! For Your sake, Lord!
Cause Your face to shine!

2. Praying people pray each day;
They pray for God to have His way.
Daniel showed us how in chapter
Nine, verse seventeen!

(Original Tune)

1. God had a man - a man to pray
For God to have His way;
To carry out His plan in that day;
To the land they should return!
Daniel prayed — his heart yearned.

2. Yes, Daniel prayed, the Word records,
With his window opened toward
Jerusalem, land of his Lord.
Seventy years, three times a day,
Daniel faithfully prayed.

3. He daily knelt with prayer and praising,
Thanking God for every blessing.
For God's own sake petition making.
Yes, praying boldly when
It had been forbidden.

4. Prayer lays the rails God's train can run on;
Prayer opens every door;
Prayer makes the plan of God go forward;
Young Daniel took this way;
For God's move he did pray.

(Can be sung to: Shenandoah)