### **First Baptist Church of Newark**

#### **Standing Tall**

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As we celebrate the graduates of 2020 I thought about all of the different challenges and exciting paths they will be on. But there is also a danger. Over the years I've noticed a spiritual trend that always discourages me. Many times in our younger years we commit our lives to following Jesus and living for God, only to find that when we get around 16 years old (junior and senior years) that the peer pressure starts to destroy those commitments.

My heart breaks as I watch our youth struggle to find themselves; only to realize that the world lifestyles end up leaving them empty inside, broken hearted and hurting emotionally. Sometimes these poor life decisions change the course of their entire lives.

But what if as a young person they took a stand for Godly living? Take a stand for living with morals and values. Not giving into temptations. Not doing self-destructive behavior. What if they were to stand tall?

**Exodus 20:5-6** You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for *I*, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

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#### Read Daniel 3:10-30

1. <u>STAND</u> up for God's <u>STANDARDS</u> and <u>DON'T</u> give in to the **PRESSURE**.

vs 10-18

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2. You may be <u>PUNISHED</u> for <u>DOING</u> the <u>RIGHT</u> thing.

vs 19-23

## 3. God will <u>WALK</u> with you <u>THROUGH</u> the <u>FIRE</u>.

vs 24-30