

## Thriving in Babylon: Character

Matthew 26:41 (NIV) “Watch and pray so that you do not fall into temptation.  
***The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.***”

How can I walk with godly ***character*** in the midst of a godless ***culture***?  
(Daniel 1:1-14 NIV)

1. **Pre-decide to live by the culture of God’s Kingdom.** (Daniel 1:8 NIV)

### ***The Power of Engaging Scripture***

1. Feeling lonely drops 30%.
2. Anger issues drop 32%.
3. Bitterness in relationships drops 40%.
4. Alcoholism drops 57%.
5. Sex outside of marriage drops 68%.
6. Feeling spiritually stagnant drops 60%.
7. Viewing pornography drops 61%.
8. Sharing your faith jumps 200%.

Romans 12:2a (MSG) Don’t become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. ***Instead, fix your attention on God. You’ll be changed from the inside out.***

What “***pre-decisions***” do you need to make?

2. **Stand your ground with tact and respect.** (Daniel 1:12-13 NIV)

When I walk in ***integrity with God***, I will have increased ***influence for God***.  
(Daniel 1:15-20 NIV)