

**Valley Bible Church**  
**Sermon Notes for December 13, 1992**

**“Taking a Stand”**  
**Daniel 1:8-21**  
**Part 2**

The major lesson in this passage is about conviction.

I. Daniel was a man of conviction.

A. He had a working knowledge of God’s word.

B. He sought to apply God’s word.

C. He determined to obey God’s word.

II. Daniel acted on the basis of his conviction (1:8b-13)

A. His initial request (1:8b-10)

Daniel sought to live out his conviction and pursue peace at the same time.  
Romans 12:18; Proverbs 15:1

B. His gentle persistence (1:11-13)

After the first request was rejected Daniel changes his approach. “Please test your servants for 10 days...” Who are we in conflict with today? Seek creative ways of gentle persuasion and reason.