## **Daniel 1**

Text: Daniel 1:3-20

**Purpose:** The cultural landscape has changed and Daniel finds himself in Babylon. Chapter one begins the journey of Daniel and their friends navigating a hostile culture and helps us understand how to follow God's truth when it matters most.

**Opening Question:** What's your favorite food?

Read and Discuss: Daniel 1:3-20

- 1. What was the purpose of King Ashpenaz, choosing men and training them? How does our culture impact or influence your life?
- 2. Why was it important for Daniel to not eat the king's food?
- 3. How did God protect and show favor to Daniel?
- 4. What are some ways that Christians navigate our culture? How do we engage culture but still follow Jesus?
- 5. In what ways can we "stand out" in the midst of our neighborhood, work, and family?

## Calvary Season of Prayer: Petition

You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you" (John 15:16).

- In this season of Petition, please take a few minutes with your group to pray and ask God to build and support our church.
- Take a few minutes together to pray and ask God...
  - To cause love to be known as the primary characteristic among us.
  - To cause the good news of Jesus to be shared consistently
  - To work in Calvary's leadership transition and transform us into a healthier community