

BOLD + BRAVE

As we journey into the book of Daniel, one of the major themes is the sovereignty of God. We're meant to see that God is in control of all things, despite how difficult and tumultuous the situation may be. Daniel and his friends experienced several terrifying situations and it can often leave us admiring and wondering how they were able to live and respond the way that they did. These young men were Bold + Brave - not because they have a unique temperament or personality that was different than you or me. They were able to stand firm and be courageous because they understood that God was in control and He is wise and trustworthy.

May God cause us all to be Bold + Brave.

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Message 4: *Pride Goeth Before a Fall*

Daniel 4

Sunday, June 21, 2020

Pursue God

Focus on the following practice in your pursuit of God:

Memorize God's Word. Choose a passage for the whole series or choose a new verse each week. Follow us on Facebook or Instagram to find tips and tricks for Scripture memory during this series.

Write the verse or verses you are memorizing here:

Pursue Others

Nebuchadnezzar's doxology (4:1-3) probably occurs years prior to the events of Daniel 4. What observations can you make about God? Man? Kingdoms?

What happened to Nebuchadnezzar between his doxology (4:1-3) and years later? (4:4, 30) In what ways have you followed this pattern of living?

Do a Google search on verses in the Bible on pride. Which ones speak to you? Consider memorizing one of them.

Daniel was a humble man who God used. How did his position of humility help him interpret the king's dream? (4:19)

Compare and contrast Nebuchadnezzar's pride with Daniel's humility.

What was Daniel's recommendation to the king? How does this compare to the gospel?

Bonus

In Daniel 4:27, Daniel tells Nebuchadnezzar that his repentance will be shown in how he shows mercy to the poor. Why? How can we apply this today?

Practice His Ways

Pay attention to how you speak with those around you. Could you be more winsome if you gave up complaining, sarcasm, or self-loathing (or something else) in your conversations with others?

What are you giving up in your conversations this week? Pray for the Holy Spirit to begin working this transformation in you.

Reflect on that experience and share your insight with someone. Ask that person to pray for you in this area – and pray for them!