

# (The Kingdoms King) Daniel 4:1-37

#### Main Idea

Stop acting as a "king" and honor The KING

**Ice Breaker:** Choose one from the following two questions to open up your discussion

- 1. How would you go about telling someone bad news?
- 2. Share a time when delayed something urgent and then regretted it later.

## **Discussion Questions**

1. How does King Nebuchadnezzar handle this dream differently then from his previous one (2:1-13)?

How you feel about God speaking to people in dreams in the past & now?

- 2. In verses 15 and 26 what hope is conveyed by allowing the stump to remain?
- 3. How does the interpretation of King Nebuchadnezzar relate to issues of pride, arrogance, and humility?
- 4. What does King Nebuchadnezzar conclude about God when he is restored to his right mind?
- 5. Thinking back these past months, how have you shown courage in declaring God's Word to others?
- 6. Why do you think success can make repentance difficult?
- 7. How can you appreciate your accomplishments without putting yourself down or bragging about it?

### Application

- 1.King Nebuchadnezzar praised Daniel's God but didn't fully submit his life to Him alone (v.2-3). This being said, many people go to church, talk Christianese, and "play" church but they don't honor The LORD with their lives. "Profession doesn't always mean possession"- NLT Life Application Study Bible. In other words, does your "talk" match your "walk"? Does your life match you'reprofessing Jesus Follower?
- 2. Notice how Daniel was shocked and grieved by the interpretation of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream to the point that he wished it was upon the king's enemies (v. 19). How is this so? This is Daniel who was taken from his home, nation and basically stripped away from everything he had known. Because Daniel had forgiven King Nebuchadnezzar, God was able to use Daniel. Many of us have been wronged in the past and find it difficult to forgive and forget. If we're honest some of us want to see that person suffer.

May we act like Daniel to love and serve someone who has hurt us. Pray that God will help you to forgive, forget and love!

#### **Bottom Line**

You need to renounce your throne!