



## Introduction (session two video)

### Getting started

In what ways do people turn on the “I Look Good” light?

### Winning is NOT receiving praise

*Daniel 4:30*

*The king spoke, saying, “Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for a royal dwelling by my mighty power and for the honor of my majesty?”*

What is Nebuchadnezzar’s core mistake? How can we avoid making the same mistake?

Nebuchadnezzar fails in spite of the warning from the dream interpreted by Daniel (Dan. 4:1-27). How has God warned us about seeking praise?

What price does Nebuchadnezzar (and perhaps us) pay for seeking praise, especially that which belongs only to God? (Daniel 4:31-33)

#### SIDENOTE



Detail of a terracotta cylinder of Nebuchadnezzar II, recording the building and reconstruction works at Babylon. 604–562 BC. From Babylon, Iraq, housed in the British Museum

## Winning IS giving praise

*Daniel 4:34-35*

*And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me; and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever:*

*For His dominion is an everlasting dominion,  
And His kingdom is from generation to generation.  
All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing;  
He does according to His will in the army of heaven  
And among the inhabitants of the earth.  
No one can restrain His hand  
Or say to Him, "What have You done?"*

This entire chapter of the Bible is surprisingly written by a pagan Gentile king. Does this encourage you in any way?

In what ways can we pursue humility without being brought as low as Nebuchadnezzar was?

Assemble your own list of "Praises to God" and offer it to Him as a means of expressing His glory.

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### SIDENOTE



The reconstruction of the Ishtar Gate in the Pergamon Museum in Berlin