

GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

October 10, 2021 Daniel 4:1-37 "The Most High Rules the Kingdom of Men"

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

- 1. ICEBREAKER Daniel 4 gives the story of a very unlikely convert with King Nebuchadnezzar. Share the story of someone you know with a similar, powerful story of God's mercy and grace to an unlikely recipient.
- 2. After hearing the King's dream, Daniel responds with genuine care and compassion for Nebuchadnezzar (v. 18-19). At the same time, Daniel does not allow this compassion to prevent him from sharing difficult truths in the following verses.
 - o Why is compassion an essential part of our witness to those far from God?
 - o How do we see truth and love work together as we share the gospel with others?
- 3. Even a year following the Lord's warning, King Nebuchadnezzar has still refused to follow the counsel of Daniel with repentance and change (v. 28-29). What is the danger in living a life where we hear from the Lord regularly but do not respond to Him in quick obedience?
 - o What steps can we take to avoid being spiritually lethargic?
 - o How do we cultivate a life of obedience while simultaneously resting in God's grace?
- 4. Have you ever walked through a season of delayed obedience in a particular area or had difficulty following a specific calling from the Lord? Describe how the Lord gently led you to respond in repentance, faith, and obedience.
 - o Is there anything the Lord is calling you to today that you are having difficulty obeying? How can your Growth Group come alongside you to respond in obedience and faith?
- 5. Even though Nebuchadnezzar experienced a difficult and humbling season, we see many evidences of God's grace toward him. What are some of the ways we see God's grace in His dealing with King Nebuchadnezzar in this chapter?
- 6. Is there anyone in your life you are having difficulty entrusting to the Lord to bring them to salvation? How does Daniel 4 give us hope for those trapped in prideful rebellion?
 - o Spend some time praying for this person's salvation and for your faithfulness as you minister to them.