

Discussion Guide

The Book of Daniel Part Four: The Humbled King

1. 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s: Which decade do you love the most and why? Based on his singing, can you guess Pastor Tim's?
2. Pastor Tim said that Nebuchadnezzar was virtual signaling. Where have you seen virtual signaling – publicly expressing an opinion that is socially acceptable and politically correct, but is disingenuous – within the Church and culture today?
3. Read Daniel 4:27. Daniel genuinely cared for Nebuchadnezzar. What reasons would Daniel have to hate him? Why does Daniel care for him?
4. Read Matthew 5:43-45. How do we see Daniel's care for Nebuchadnezzar reflected in this passage? How should we relate to those that we might consider our enemies- or those with different political, moral or social values? How can this be played out in person and on social media?
5. Share a time when someone confronted you. How did they confront you, and did the way they confront you help or hurt you?
6. Read Galatians 6:1. When necessary, how should we confront others? What obstacles might be standing in our way of taking a more prayerful approach when confronting others?
7. Pastor Tim said that sometimes we go through a season of pruning. How and where is God pruning you?
8. The book of Daniel is about remaining faithful. Do you think Nebuchadnezzar turned back from his faith again or remained faithful to the end? What are ways we can strengthen our relationship with God to assure our remaining faithful?

Next Steps

1. Read Philippians 2:1-11. Pray that your mindsets and attitudes would be like Christ, taking a posture of humility. Pray Psalm 139: "Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there is any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!"
2. Who do you need to confront? How will you prayerfully confront them
3. Continue to engage with Scripture readings, devotional thoughts, and spiritual practices throughout the week.