

# APPLICATION

## 5 Keys to Thriving while Living in Babylon

### 1 \_\_\_\_\_ to the True King

We have *purposed* to follow God over all

**Praise, extol, and honor the King of \_\_\_\_\_**

**Hebrews 13:14-15** – “For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come. By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.”

**Repent of \_\_\_\_\_ – and embrace \_\_\_\_\_**

**Luke 15:7** – “I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.”

### 2 Deep Ties to \_\_\_\_\_

We need each other’s fellowship and encouragement!

#### DANIEL CHALLENGE #1 – Heartfelt Community \_\_\_\_\_

Make a commitment to *at least* a monthly meal with fellow believers from church. (*Who will you invite? When?*)

### 3 Courageous Testimony: \_\_\_\_\_ but \_\_\_\_\_

We honor the earthly king – but we *obey* God

### 4 Reliance on \_\_\_\_\_: Daily and Urgent

Our *power* comes from God – not human might

#### DANIEL CHALLENGE #2 – Heartfelt Community \_\_\_\_\_

Make a commitment to pray *FOR* others and *WITH* others.  
→ *When will your prayer time be?*

### 5 Gardening with an Eye on the \_\_\_\_\_

Make Babylon *better*, while we wait for the *Eternal* Kingdom

**Micah 6:8** – “He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?”



## THE BOOK OF DANIEL

How to Thrive while Living in Babylon

Part 9: “Nebuchadnezzar is Cut Down”

### TODAY’S TEXT: Daniel 4:1-37

#### 4:1-2 – An Extremely Unusual Author: A \_\_\_\_\_ King!

**Romans 2:10-11** – “glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: For there is no respect of persons with God.”

#### 4:3-9 – Daniel \_\_\_\_\_ to Babylon After the Furnace

**Daniel 3:12** – “There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.”

#### 4:10-18 – Nebuchadnezzar’s \_\_\_\_\_

- The Great \_\_\_\_\_
- The \_\_\_\_\_ and the Holy One  
“Watcher” = *’ir* = (*aramaic*) waking, watchful, watching over, angel  
“Holy One” = *qadīš* = (*aramaic*) holy, saint, separate, set apart  
**1 Peter 1:10-12** – “Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you... which things the angels desire to look into.”
- The Great Tree is \_\_\_\_\_ Down
- The Stump \_\_\_\_\_ with bands of Iron and Brass
- Seven \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_ of a beast  
“Heart” = *lᵒḥab* = (*aramaic*) heart, mind, soul, self  
“Times” = *’idān* = (*aramaic*) set time, 1 year
- The Kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_ vs. The Kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4:19 – Daniel’s Overwhelming \_\_\_\_\_

“Astonied” = *šʾmam* = appalled, stunned, overcome with shock, desolate

**Psalms 143:4** – “Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate (*šāmēm* = related Hebrew word).”

- An \_\_\_\_\_ to Daniel’s prayers?

**Daniel 2:28** – “But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days...”

#### 4:20-26 – The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Dream

- The Great Tree = King Nebuchadnezzar
- The Watcher and the Holy One = \_\_\_\_\_ of the Most High
- Great Tree Cut Down = you will be driven \_\_\_\_\_ of power
- Stump protected = The Kingdom of Babylon will be \_\_\_\_\_
- Seven years as a beast = “Boanthropy” = ‘psychotic depression’
- = judgement will last until you know the Most High \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4:27 – Daniel’s Counsel: \_\_\_\_\_ course!

**Jeremiah 18:7-8** – “At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it; if that nation, against whom I have pronounced, turn from their evil, I will repent [*deep change of mind*] of the evil that I thought to do unto them.”

**Note:** The Prophet Jeremiah is writing at the same time as Daniel!

- God \_\_\_\_\_ – but we have a \_\_\_\_\_

**Ezekiel 14:6** – “Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.”

**Micah 6:8** – “He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?”

#### 4:28-30 – Nebuchadnezzar’s Bondage to \_\_\_\_\_

**Psalms 73:5-6** – “They are not in trouble as other men; neither are they plagued like other men. Therefore pride compasseth them about as a chain; violence covereth them as a garment.”

**Obadiah 1:3-4** – “The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee... Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.”

#### 4:31-33 – The Vision is \_\_\_\_\_

**Daniel 5:20** – “But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne, and they took his glory from him”

**Proverbs 11:2** – “When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.”

**Proverbs 16:18** – “Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.”

**Proverbs 29:23** – “A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.”

#### 4:34-35 – Nebuchadnezzar’s \_\_\_\_\_

##### Key Bible Term: *Repentance* = A Deep Change of Mind

‘Repent’ = *metanoō* = change mind, reconsider, think differently

**Acts 26:19-20** – “Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision: But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet [*fitting / worthy*] for repentance.” (See also: **Matthew 3:1-8**)

**Revelation 2:5** – “Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.”

**Ezekiel 14:6** – “Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.”

*True Repentance is always judged by its \_\_\_\_\_...  
did anything change?*

#### 4:36 – Nebuchadnezzar’s \_\_\_\_\_

**Acts 3:19** – “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord”

#### 4:37 – The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ Conclusion

**Psalms 2:2-4** – “The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed... He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.”

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