

DANIEL

HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

WORSHIP

Begin with Psalm 97, praising God for His surpassing greatness above all.

FELLOWSHIP

If you could commit any crime and get away with it what would you choose and why?

DISCUSSION

1. What did you find helpful or insightful from the sermon on Sunday?

Read Daniel 4:1-27

2. This is a big chunk of Scripture. Summarize as a group how the narrative unfolds from vv.1-8, 9-18, 19-27.

3. Here, God calls Daniel to engage in a conflictual conversation with Nebuchadnezzar. Has there been a time where you felt called by God to conflict with a friend or coworker? How did you feel before and after the conversation?

4. What do you anticipate Nebuchadnezzar's response will be to Daniel's interpretation? Why?

Read Daniel 4:28-36

5. What causes Nebuchadnezzar to humble himself?

6. The essence of pride lies in verse 30 – giving ourselves the credit for our accomplishments and living for our own glory. Where does this mindset manifest in the world and even in your own life?

7. How does the gospel humble us and turn our hearts from a verse 30 worldview to a verse 37 worldview?

PRAYER

Share prayer requests as a group. If you desire to, you may close with this prayer from The Valley of Vision:

"Lord, High and Holy, Meek and Lowly, You have brought me to the valley of vision, where I live in the depths but see you in the heights... Let me learn by paradox that the way down is the way up, that to be low is to be high, that the broken heart is the healed heart, that the contrite spirit is the rejoicing spirit, that the repenting soul is the victorious soul, that to have nothing is to possess all, that to bear the cross is to wear the crown, that to give is to receive, that the valley is the place of vision."

