

## DANIEL: AN UNCOMPROMISING LIFE "Pride Comes Before the Fall" Daniel 4 June 23, 2024

1 Peter 5:6 (NASB) / C.S. Lewis Quote / Daniel 4:17

**C.S. Lewis Quote:** "There is one vice of which no man in the world is free; which everyone in the world loathes when they see it in others; and of which hardly any people, except some Christians ever imagine that they are guilty themselves. There is no fault which we are more unconscious of in ourselves; and the more we have it in ourselves, the more we dislike it in others."

## Will read initially just Daniel 4:1-9; 19-27

- 1) Neb's recognition of God Vs 1-3
- 2) Neb's reason for his troubled heart Vs 4-5
- 3) Neb recounts the dream Vs 10-17
- 4) Daniels' <u>role</u> & his <u>readiness</u> to speak the truth Vs 6-9, 18
- 5) Daniel relates the meaning of the dream & gives a powerful <u>reminder</u> & gives the strong <u>recommendations</u> Vs 19-27
- 6) Neb's response <u>pride</u> Vs 28-30
- 7) God's response *I will humble you* Vs 31-33
- 8) Neb's repentance & restoration Vs 34-37

## **RESPONSE QUESTIONS:**

- 1. How is pride connected to all other sins? Where do you need to repent of pride in your life?
- 2. Describe a time when God troubled your heart to get your attention? How did you respond? What changed?
- 3. Where has God placed you where you need to be willing to speak up and share the truth of God's Word in love? Why is this often hard?
- 4. How can someone experience great success in this world like Neb & remain humble? Why is it so hard to do?
- 5. How could Neb have used his kingdom to honor God instead of trying to steal glory from God? How can you use your gifts, talents, & success to serve God?