



WHEN DOING RIGHT COSTS YOU

THE TURNING POINT SERIES: EPISODE 2 OF 5

Daniel 4

AND IT WILL BE IN THE LAST DAYS, SAYS GOD, THAT I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT ON ALL PEOPLE; THEN YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS WILL PROPHECY, YOUR YOUNG MEN WILL SEE VISIONS, AND YOUR OLD MEN WILL DREAM DREAMS.

1) SOME ARE **UNWILLING** TO CONFRONT.

2) SOME CONFRONT **UNLOVINGLY**.

Your Majesty, you are that tree! You have become great and strong; your greatness has grown until it reaches the sky, and your dominion extends to distant parts of the earth. Daniel 4:22

You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox and be drenched with the dew of heaven. Seven times will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone he wishes. Daniel 4:25 NLT

The command to leave the stump of the tree with its roots means that your kingdom will be restored to you when you acknowledge that Heaven rules. Daniel 4:26

King Nebuchadnezzar, please accept my advice. Stop sinning and do what is right. Break from your wicked past and be merciful to the poor. Perhaps then you will continue to prosper.' Daniel 4:27

**MAIN IDEA: IT TAKES COURAGE TO SPEAK TRUTH—
BUT LOVE MAKES THAT COURAGE REDEMPTIVE.**

1) GOD, HELP ME CONFRONT WITH THE GOAL OF **RESTORATION**.

2) GOD, HELP ME CONFRONT WITH **CAUTION**.

*Twelve months later, as the king was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon, he said... Is not this the great Babylon **I** have built as the royal residence, by **my** mighty power and for the glory of **my** majesty? Daniel 4:29-30*

Even as the words were on his lips, a voice came from heaven, This is what is decreed for you, King Nebuchadnezzar: Your royal authority has been taken from you. You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox. Daniel 4:31-32

Seven times will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone he wishes. Immediately what had been said about Nebuchadnezzar was fulfilled. He was driven away from people and ate grass like the ox. His body was drenched with the dew of heaven until his hair grew like the feathers of an eagle and his nails like the claws of a bird. Daniel 4:32-33

BOANTHROPY—A PERSON, IN A DELUSIONAL STATE, BELIEVES HIMSELF OR HERSELF TO BE AN OX OR COW...AND ATTEMPTS TO LIVE AND BEHAVE ACCORDINGLY.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. John 3:17

At the end of that time, I, Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes toward heaven, and my sanity was restored. Then I praised the Most High; I honored and glorified him who lives forever. Daniel 4:34

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