



**MONTEREY
CHURCH**
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SMALL GROUPS MINISTRY DISCUSSION GUIDE

WELCOME

What is one thing you are looking forward to in 2026?

WORSHIP

Listen to "Still the King" - Chris Tomlin

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWXeGMjB6PM>

WORD

*Message Title: Babylon: In It, Not of It | "Beware of Jealousy" (Part 8) by
Pastor Bryan James, 1/4/2026*

Scriptures: Daniel 6

1. What part of the message stood out to you this week? Why?
2. What is the message for 2026 that God is reinforcing to us through Sunday's sermon?
3. **Read Daniel 6:1-9.** What is it about Daniel that stirs up the jealousy of the administrators/satraps, causing them to come under Satanic influence and action? Do you find similar situations 'routine' today?
4. The message gives us insight on the importance of perceiving and honoring the order (visible and invisible) that God has put in place in the various environments we exist in. Share your key takeaways for how to honor and thrive within God's order. Does this come easily to you or is it something you have to work at? Why or why not?
5. **Read verses 10-22.** In coming against Daniel, who are the administrators and satraps weakening and how so? Who are they ultimately threatening in their rebellion?
6. Daniel perceived the legitimate order (Darius), saw when there was a violation, and appealed to the higher authority (God), remaining faithful (verses 10-11). How can we apply Daniel's example in situations we face today?
7. **Read verse 23-28.** What is the *warning* to some and *encouragement* to others through Sunday's message? Do you feel encouraged, convicted or both?
8. We grieve the Holy Spirit the most by the way to treat each other. In what areas can you grow in grace and love towards your brothers and sisters in Christ?

WITNESS

Show the love of Christ this week by simply striving to love others well.

CLOSING PRAYER & INTERCESSION

Share prayer requests and pray for one another.

Allow space to wait and listen for God to speak, as you pray.