



DANIEL 4

FAITHFUL THROUGH IT ALL

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. - Romans 8:28

God is Sovereign overall! Perhaps no other book of the Bible sums up this truth with more clarity than Daniel Chapter 4. It's an obscure writing, not from Daniel, but a confession and conversion of King Nebuchadnezzar. In it, we find the power of God to humble the proud. Time after time King Nebuchadnezzar had opportunities to see the glorious wonders of God and repent of his pride and Idol worship, (and the worship of himself) but he always just added the "most high" to the top of his stack of gods. When, yet again, earthy wisdom and sorcery alike failed to explain another dream, God, by way of Daniel, stepped in with a warning to repent. Instead, he went straight back to his pride, puffed up with his accomplishments, and the word of God was fulfilled. He was sentenced to 7 years of a 'mindless prison' until he recognized the sovereignty of God.

Read Daniel 4. It is the mercy of God to humble the proud. How is this severe 'punishment' for the benefit of Nebuchadnezzar? How has God humbled you?

Discussion Questions

1. We have seen Daniel remain faithful to God over the last 4 chapters, and God has remained faithful to Daniel. How can we show God Faithfulness like Daniel in our daily lives?
2. Define the word 'Sovereignty'. How does knowing God is Sovereign affect the way you live?
3. What does it mean to 'live in the spirit' VS to walk by the spirit? What can you do in your daily life to walk by the spirit and not your flesh?
4. King Nebuchadnezzar knew the spirit of God was in Daniel, do people know the spirit of God is in you? How?
5. Recognizing God's sovereignty is to understand EVERYTHING is HIS, and thank Him for everything in your life, good and bad. How can you be thankful for the bad things in life? Is there a 'bad' thing in your life that you are grateful for?