

# DANIEL

## Community Group Discussion Guide

Week 3 | Humble

Daniel 4

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### Introduction

If you asked me to list my top five biblical characters, Daniel would definitely be one my list. Here's why! Daniel's first person I think of who models how to be prepared for the challenging and hard times that are an inevitable part of everyone's life. This four week series shows us how he does this.

Read Daniel Chapter 4 before answering the following questions.

### Questions for Study

1. Imagine you had to define humility for someone who didn't know what it meant. How would you explain it? What examples of humility have you seen, that you might share to help someone understand what humility looks like?
2. C.S. Lewis has been quoted as saying "Humility isn't thinking less of yourself; it's thinking of yourself less." What helpful insights does this quote shed on how we should understand humility?
3. Read the following verses and briefly explain what they tell us about humility and why humility is important: Isaiah 66:2; Philippians 2:3-11; 1 Peter 5:5-6.
4. Scan Daniel 4 again. In your own words, how would you summarize what is happening in this chapter of the Bible?
5. Look at verses 29 and 30. What was the focus of Nebuchadnezzar's attention before God stepped in and led Nebuchadnezzar into a humbling experience?
6. Now look at verses 34-35 and verse 37. What was the focus of Nebuchadnezzar's attention after his humbling experience?
7. In between Nebuchadnezzar's pride (vv. 29-30) and his humility (vv. 34-37), God led the king of Babylon into a (very!) humbling experience. Are there experiences God has used in your life to help lead you toward a high view of Him and a humbled view of yourself?
8. Compare what you know of Daniel (you can include material from the whole book of Daniel) with what we learn about Nebuchadnezzar. In contrast to the pride we saw in Nebuchadnezzar, how is Daniel a consistent picture of humility – including a high view of God?
9. How does a high view of God lead to a humbled view of ourselves?
10. Make an intentional commitment to focus your attention this week on God and not yourself. What practical steps can you take this week to focus on who God is and all He's done? How can you cultivate a high view of God?
11. Based on what you've learned about humility from Daniel 4, why is humility such an important virtue to cultivate for hard and challenging times?