

Daniel
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Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed –07/28/25

Daniel – Lesson 5
Daniel 4

Note: Daniel 4 is an official document written by Nebuchadnezzar after the events of his dream, its interpretation and fulfillment.

1. Compare Daniel 2:47 and 3:28 with 4:1-3. How do we know at the beginning of this chapter that a change has occurred in Nebuchadnezzar?
2. Read 4:4-18. What was Nebuchadnezzar's initial response to the dream? To whom did he first turn for an explanation? How did he refer to Daniel? Why did he think Daniel would be able to interpret it? How does this indicate that he still really hadn't "gotten it" yet?
3. What were the key parts of the dream?
4. Read 4:19-27. Why was Daniel perplexed and terrified after hearing the dream? How do you think Daniel felt about Nebuchadnezzar?
5. What was his interpretation of the dream? What did he advise the king to do?
6. Read 4:28-33. How long did God withhold his judgment of the king? What brought about the immediate fulfillment of the dream?
7. Was Nebuchadnezzar a great king? Had he not built a great city and powerful kingdom? (v. 22) What was the problem? What had he lost sight of?
8. What was God's purpose for the dream? (4:17, 25 and 32)
9. Read 4:1-3, 34-37. What brought an end to Nebuchadnezzar's ordeal? What did he learn about God?
10. What major lessons about God and mankind (warning or encouragement) are taught in this chapter?