

First Words:

A. The _____ of Nebuchadnezzar – **Daniel 4:1-3**

1. Its scope – _____ - **Daniel 4:1** - *King Nebuchadnezzar to all peoples, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth: Peace be multiplied to you!*

2. Its purpose – _____ – **Daniel 4:2** - *It has seemed good to me to show the signs and wonders that the Most High God has done for me.*

3. Its subject – _____ – **Daniel 4:3** - *How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders! His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion endures from generation to generation.*

B. The _____ of Nebuchadnezzar – **Daniel 4:4-33**

1. The _____ of the dream – **Daniel 4:4-9**

a. The dream's effect - **Daniel 4:5** - *I saw a dream that made me afraid. As I lay in bed the fancies and the visions of my head alarmed me.*

b. The dream's difficulty - **Daniel 4:7** - *Then the magicians, the enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the astrologers came in, and I told them the dream, but they could not make known to me its interpretation.*

c. The dreams interpreter – **Daniel 4:8-9** - *At last Daniel came in before me—he who was named Belteshazzar after the name of my god, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods—and I told him the dream, saying, ⁹ “O Belteshazzar, chief of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in you and that no mystery is too difficult for you, tell me the visions of my dream that I saw and their interpretation.*

2. The _____ of the dream – **Daniel 4:10-17**

a. The tree described - **Daniel 4:10 & 12** - *The visions of my head as I lay in bed were these: I saw, and behold, a tree in the midst of the earth, and its height was great...¹² Its leaves were beautiful and its fruit abundant, and in it was food for all. The beasts of the field found shade under it, and the birds of the heavens lived in its branches, and all flesh was fed from it.*

b. The tree destroyed - **Daniel 4:13–14** - *“I saw in the visions of my head as I lay in bed, and behold, a watcher, a holy one, came down from heaven. ¹⁴ He proclaimed aloud and said thus: ‘Chop down the tree and lop off its branches, strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit. Let the beasts flee from under it and the birds from its branches. “*

c. The tree stump left - **Daniel 4:15** - *But leave the stump of its roots in the earth, bound with a band of iron and bronze, amid the tender grass of the field. Let him be wet with the dew of heaven. Let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth.*

d. The man's mind changed - **Daniel 4:16** - *Let his mind be changed from a man's, and let a beast's mind be given to him; and let seven periods of time pass over him.*

e. The agent and reason revealed - **Daniel 4:17** - *The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, the decision by the word of the holy ones, to the end that the living may know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will and sets over it the lowliest of men.’*

3. The _____ of the dream – **Daniel 4:18-27**

a. The _____ news - **Daniel 4:19** - *Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was dismayed for a while, and his thoughts alarmed him. The king answered and said, “Belteshazzar, let not the dream or the interpretation alarm you.” Belteshazzar answered and said, “My lord, may the dream be for those who hate you and its interpretation for your enemies!*

b. The _____ news - **Daniel 4:20 & 22a** - *The tree you saw, which grew and became strong, so that its top reached to heaven, and it was visible to the end of the whole earth...²² it is you, O king, who have grown and become strong.*

c. The _____ news - **Daniel 4:25** - *That you shall be driven from among men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. You shall be made to eat grass like an ox, and you shall be wet with the dew of heaven, and seven periods of time shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will.*

d. The _____ news - **Daniel 4:26–27** - *And as it was commanded to leave the stump of the roots of the tree, your kingdom shall be confirmed for you from the time that you know that Heaven rules. ²⁷ Therefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable to you: break off your sins by practicing righteousness, and your iniquities by showing mercy to the oppressed, that there may perhaps be a lengthening of your prosperity.”*

4. The _____ of the dream - **Daniel 4:28-33**

a. The king’s personal _____ - **Daniel 4:30** - *And the king answered and said, “Is not this great Babylon, which I have built by my mighty power as a royal residence and for the glory of my majesty?”*

b. The king’s personal _____ - **Daniel 4:33** - *Immediately the word was fulfilled against Nebuchadnezzar. He was driven from among men and ate grass like an ox, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair grew as long as eagles’ feathers, and his nails were like birds’ claws.*

C. The _____ of Nebuchadnezzar – **Daniel 4:34-37**

1. The king’s _____ - **Daniel 4:34** - *At the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High, and praised and honored him who lives forever, for his dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom endures from generation to generation...*

2. The king’s _____ - **Daniel 4:37** - *Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, for all his works are right and his ways are just; and those who walk in pride he is able to humble.*

This week as a Believer in Babylon I should:

Sunday - Continue or start our Daniel Devotions

Monday - Review Sunday’s Study Guide

Tuesday – Remember a time in your life where you believe the Lord was chastening you & write down how and why you were chastened by God.

Wednesday – Write down what areas in your life you lack humility in

Thursday – Spend time humbling yourself before the Lord in prayer

Friday – Pray through Daniel 4

Saturday - Review this past Sunday’s Study Guide

