

## Daniel 4:28-37

INFININTE GOD puny kings 7: A Return to Reason

*Babylon ...*

### I. Mighty Man

- A. Super Power
- B. Seriously Pagan
- C. Sinful Pride

### II. God's Servant

- A. A Chastising Rod
- B. A Captive People
- C. A Broken Reed

### III. Meets His Maker

- A. Reasonable Faith
- B. Humble Worshipper
- C. Gives God Glory

*... falls.*

## **Children, Listen ...**

1. What kind of king was Nebuchadnezzar?
  
2. What was God using him to do for His people?
  
3. What very strange thing happened to Nebuchadnezzar?
  
4. When his mind became clear, what did Nebuchadnezzar do?
  
5. Babylon was a mighty kingdom of earth. There have been many other too. But what Kingdom is above all other kingdoms and who is its King?

## **A Beautiful Meltdown**

He was at the top of the world. Nebuchadnezzar had become the most powerful man on earth in his day. Granted, he was a brutal, narcissistic pagan, but things were going well for the Babylonian king, that is, in a worldly sense. But God had his hand on Him. Not only was the Lord going to use him to discipline His own people, he had a wonderful plan for the proud king's life. It would come with a cost and it cut to the quick of his biggest issue, pride. Nebuchadnezzar's transformation came through utter humiliation in the form of an emotional and mental crisis that led to a spiritual crisis that led to a revelation that changed his life! Before his crisis he had at least developed a concept of the greatness of YHWH, God but it is on the other side of his God-ordained meltdown that his perspective and undoubtedly his life dramatically change to the point where he would declare: "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." Even hitting rock-bottom, when God ordains it for our good, is an act of His grace toward those He loves.