

# Daniel: Chapter Four

# Isaiah 55:1-5

“Ho! Everyone who thirsts,  
Come to the waters; And you who have no money, Come, buy and eat.  
Yes, come, buy wine and milk Without money and without price.

Why do you spend money for what is not bread  
And your wages for what does not satisfy?

**Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good,  
And let your soul delight itself in abundance.**

Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live;  
And I will make an everlasting covenant with you—The sure mercies of David.

Indeed I have given him as a witness to the people,  
A leader and commander for the people. Surely you shall call a nation you do not know,  
And nations who do not know you shall run to you, Because of the Lord your God,  
And the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you.”



# Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while He may be found,  
Call upon Him while He is near.  
Let the wicked forsake his way,  
And the unrighteous man his thoughts;  
Let him return to the Lord,  
And He will have mercy on him;  
And to our God,  
For He will abundantly pardon.

**“For My thoughts are not your thoughts,  
Nor are your ways My ways,” says the Lord.  
“For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
So are My ways higher than your ways,  
And My thoughts than your thoughts.”**

# Isaiah 55:10-13

“For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there,  
But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud,  
That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater,

**So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth;  
It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please,  
And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.**

“For you shall go out with joy, And be led out with peace;  
The mountains and the hills Shall break forth into singing before you,  
And all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.  
Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree,  
And instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree;  
And it shall be to the Lord for a name,  
For an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.”



# Daniel 4:1-18

# Daniel 4:1-3

**“Nebuchadnezzar the king,  
To all peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth:  
Peace be multiplied to you.**

**I thought it good to declare the signs and wonders that the Most High  
God has worked for me.  
How great are His signs,  
And how mighty His wonders!  
His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
And His dominion is from generation to generation.”**

# Daniel 4:4-9

**“I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at rest in my house, and flourishing in my palace. I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts on my bed and the visions of my head troubled me. Therefore I issued a decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known to me the interpretation of the dream. Then the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers came in, and I told them the dream; but they did not make known to me its interpretation. But at last Daniel came before me (his name is Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god; in him is the Spirit of the Holy God), and I told the dream before him, saying: “Belteshazzar, chief of the magicians, because I know that the Spirit of the Holy God is in you, and no secret troubles you, explain to me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and its interpretation.”**



# Daniel 4:10-12

“These were the visions of my head while on my bed:

I was looking, and behold,

A tree in the midst of the earth,

And its height was great.

The tree grew and became strong;

Its height reached to the heavens,

And it could be seen to the ends of all the earth.

Its leaves were lovely,

Its fruit abundant,

And in it was food for all.

The beasts of the field found shade under it,

The birds of the heavens dwelt in its branches,

And all flesh was fed from it.”

# Genesis 3:22-24

Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. **And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever**”—therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. So He drove out the man; **and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.**

# Revelation 22:1-5

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. And they shall reign forever and ever.



# Proverbs 13:12

Hope deferred makes the heart sick,  
But when the desire comes, **it is a tree of life.**

# Proverbs 3:18-19

She is **a tree of life** to those who take hold of her,  
And happy are all who retain her.

The Lord by **wisdom** founded the earth;  
By understanding He established the heavens;

# Daniel 4:13-16

**“I saw in the visions of my head while on my bed, and there was a watcher, a holy one, coming down from heaven.**

**He cried aloud and said thus:**

**‘Chop down the tree and cut off its branches, Strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit. Let the beasts get out from under it, And the birds from its branches. Nevertheless leave the stump and roots in the earth, Bound with a band of iron and bronze, In the tender grass of the field. Let it be wet with the dew of heaven, And let him graze with the beasts On the grass of the earth. Let his heart be changed from that of a man, Let him be given the heart of a beast, And let seven times pass over him.**



# Daniel 4:17-18

**‘This decision is by the decree of the watchers,  
And the sentence by the word of the holy ones,  
In order that the living may know  
That the Most High rules in the kingdom of men,  
Gives it to whomever He will,  
And sets over it the lowest of men.’**

**“This dream I, King Nebuchadnezzar, have seen. Now you,  
Belteshazzar, declare its interpretation, since all the wise men of  
my kingdom are not able to make known to me the interpretation;  
but you are able, for the Spirit of the Holy God is in you.”**

**Daniel 4:19-37**

# Daniel 4:19

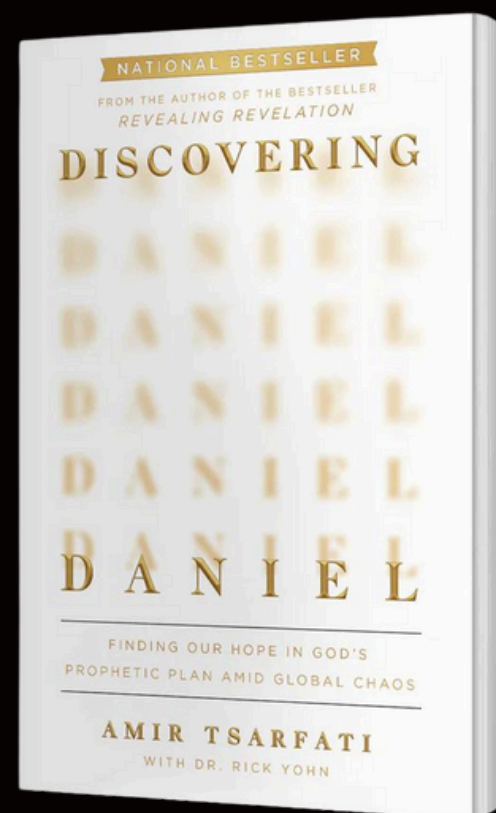
Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was astonished for a time, and his thoughts troubled him. So the king spoke, and said, “Belteshazzar, do not let the dream or its interpretation trouble you.”

Belteshazzar answered and said, “My lord, may the dream concern those who hate you, and its interpretation concern your enemies!”



# Amir:

*“It seems a genuine affection had grown between king and wise man. Daniel had accepted that the Lord placed him in this position, and he was striving to do his job to the best of his abilities.”*



*Discovering Daniel, p. 87*

# Daniel 4:20-22

“The tree that you saw, which grew and became strong, whose height reached to the heavens and which could be seen by all the earth, whose leaves were lovely and its fruit abundant, in which was food for all, under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and in whose branches the birds of the heaven had their home—

it is you, O king, who have grown and become strong; for your greatness has grown and reaches to the heavens, and your dominion to the end of the earth.”

# Daniel 4:23-24

“And inasmuch as the king saw a watcher, a holy one, coming down from heaven and saying, ‘Chop down the tree and destroy it, but leave its stump and roots in the earth, bound with a band of iron and bronze in the tender grass of the field; let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let him graze with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him’; **this is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the Most High, which has come upon my lord the king:**

# Daniel 4:25

**“They shall drive you from men, your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make you eat grass like oxen. They shall wet you with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses.”**

# Daniel 4:26-27

“And inasmuch as they gave the command to leave the stump and roots of the tree, **your kingdom shall be assured to you, after you come to know that Heaven rules.**

Therefore, O king, let my advice be acceptable to you;  
break off your sins by being righteous, and your iniquities by showing mercy to the poor. Perhaps there may be a lengthening of your prosperity.”



# Daniel 4:28-30

**All this came upon King Nebuchadnezzar.** At the end of the twelve months he was walking about the royal palace of Babylon. The king spoke, saying, “Is not this great Babylon, that **I** have built for a royal dwelling by **my** mighty power and for the honor of **my** majesty?”

**First Person  
Personal Pronouns  
When God is Not in Sight**

# John 10:10

**“The thief does not come except to steal,  
and to kill, and to destroy.**

**I have come that they may have life, and  
that they may have it more abundantly.”**

# Song of Songs 5:2-3

## HaShulamith's Account

I sleep, but my heart is awake; It is the voice of my beloved!

He knocks, saying,

“Open for **me**, **my** sister, **my** love,  
**My** dove, **my** perfect one;  
For **my** head is covered with dew,  
**My** locks with the drops of the night.”

“I have taken off **my** robe;  
How can I put it on again?  
I have washed **my** feet;  
How can I defile them?”

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His perfect  
love for her.

6

Her pride in  
making it all  
about herself.

# Song of Songs 6:1-3

## HaShulamith's Return

The Daughters of Jerusalem

*“Where has your beloved gone, O fairest among women?  
Where has your beloved turned aside,  
That we may seek him with you?”*

HaShulamith

My beloved has gone to his garden, To the beds of spices,  
To feed his flock in the gardens, And to gather lilies.

I am my beloved's,  
And my beloved is mine.

He feeds his flock among the lilies.

# Daniel 4:31-33

**While the word was still in the king's mouth, a voice fell from heaven:** “King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: the kingdom has departed from you! And they shall drive you from men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. They shall make you eat grass like oxen; and seven times shall pass over you, until you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses.”

**That very hour the word was fulfilled concerning Nebuchadnezzar;** he was driven from men and ate grass like oxen; his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair had grown like eagles' feathers and his nails like birds' claws.



# Daniel 4:34-35

**“And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding 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 is from generation to generation.  
All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing;  
He does according to His will in the army of heaven  
And among the inhabitants of the earth.**

**No one can restrain His hand  
Or say to Him, “What have You done?”**

# Daniel 4:36

“At the same time my reason returned to me, and for the glory of my kingdom, my honor and splendor returned to me. My counselors and nobles resorted to me, I was restored to my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added to me.”

Why We Can Trust This  
Account is True:

Because it's humiliating for  
King Nebuchadnezzar.

# How We Can Be Confident Nebuchadnezzar is in Heaven:

Because people don't tell life-changing, humbling accounts about themselves with joy unless they know they are loved and forgiven by God.

This is called  
**internal evidence**  
that the Bible is true.

# John 4:16-18, 28-29

Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.”

The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.”

Jesus said to her, “You have well said, ‘I have no husband,’ **for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly.**”

The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, **“Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did.**  
**Could this be the Christ?”**



# Some Humbling Accounts in the Bible

Jacob with Leah

Peter denying Jesus

Judah with Tamar

Mother of Zebedee's Sons

Joseph with Potipher's Wife

and Jesus

Moses with the Egyptian

Saul of Tarsus and Jesus

David with Bathsheba

# Romans 8:1

**There is therefore now no  
condemnation to those who are in  
Christ Jesus, who do not walk according  
to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.**

# Aramaic Central Verse:

“Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol  
and honor the King of heaven, all of whose  
works are truth, and His ways justice.

And those who walk in pride He is able to  
put down.”



Daniel 4:37

# Psalm 51:12-13

*A Psalm of David when Nathan the prophet went to him,  
after he had gone into Bathsheba.*

“Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,  
And uphold me by Your generous Spirit.  
Then I will teach transgressors Your ways,  
And sinners shall be converted to You.”

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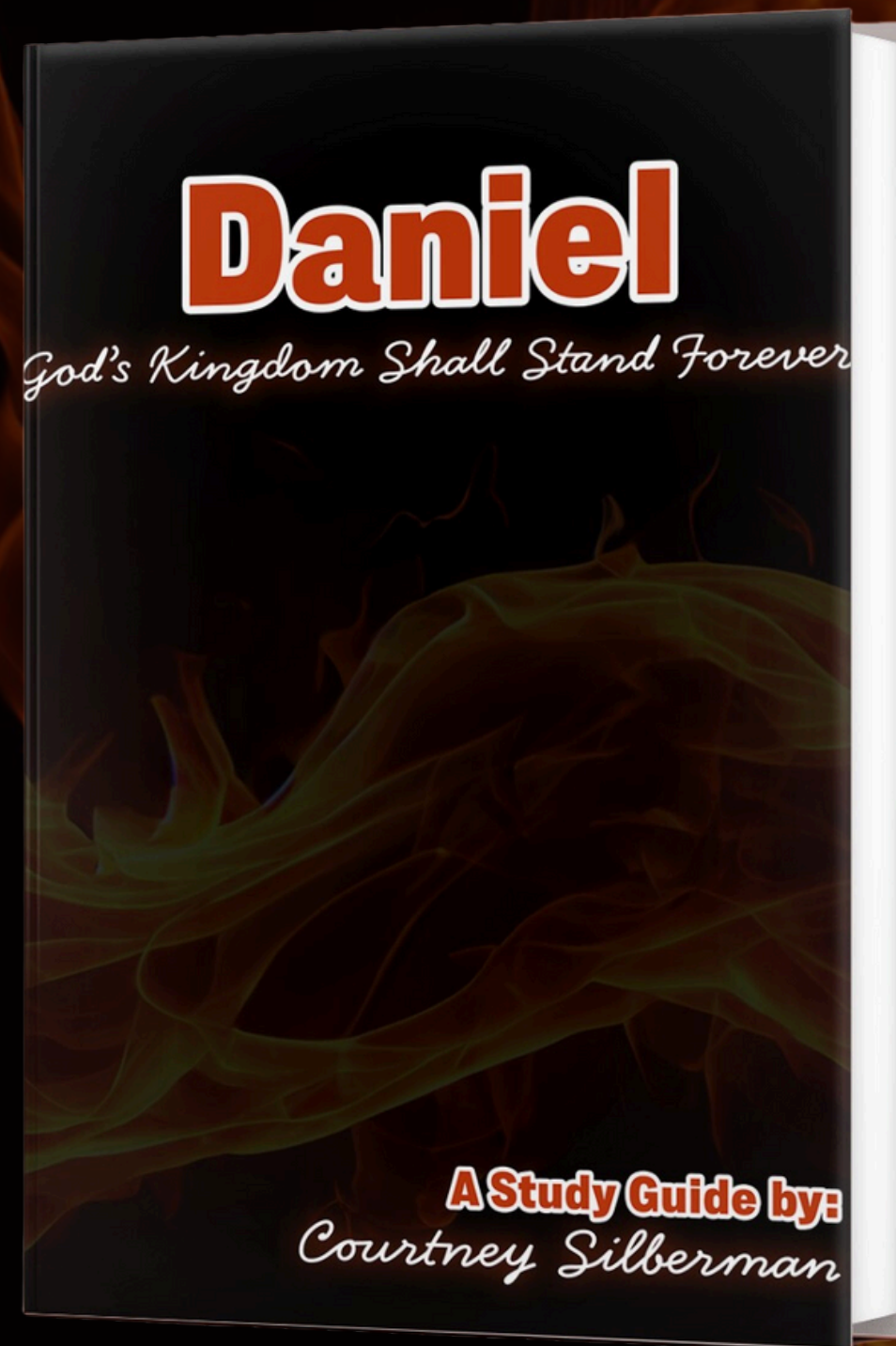
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