



A Sought-Out Voice in Exile

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A couple of ice-breakers:

1. Who is someone in your life currently that you count on for diligence and wisdom in the crisis or needing counsel moments? What has made them that person for you?
2. To a person who is not a Christ follower: What do you think makes a Christ follower a respected yet approachable person they would want to talk to amid crisis or needed counsel? Why? What are hindrances? Why?

Jump back to our text from Sunday:

3. **Purely for fun:** Try to, as a group, repaint the setting of what God orchestrates in chapter 5, which leads to Daniel speaking to King Belshazzar. Then, read Daniel 5:1-9 as a group. See how you did!
4. **Read Daniel 5:10-12.** What words would you use to describe the Queen's view of Daniel? Why? Did any of Sunday's phrases - a. Be diligent b. Stay humble c. Remain truthful- land with you? Why or why not?
5. Do you think those same traits you used to describe Daniel are still traits God uses today? If so, why? How?
6. **Read Daniel 5:13-24.** How would you describe Daniel and Belshazzar's conversation? What is the most impactful part of it for you to read, imagine, and think about? Why?
7. What do you think led to Belshazzar seeing/hearing about all that took place with Nebuchadnezzar and yet living even worse? How or why does this still happen? How can you personally relate to this in your own life?

8. **Read 1 Corinthians 10:11-14 as a group.** In what ways does this verse convey a message similar to Daniel and Belshazzar's conversation?

9. What do you think are the timeless applications and nuggets of wisdom we should seek to apply this week to bear more faithful witness in the following places:
 - a. At work
 - b. At home
 - c. Online
 - d. With your family
 - e. Areas you are around Non-Christians most

10. Pray as a group over what you have shared.