SERMON REFLECTIONS

How Great is Your God?

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Reflection Questions

- 1. Read Daniel 4 aloud as a DG are there any truths which the Holy Spirit is impressing on your heart from this story/chapter? Do share.
- 2. King Nebuchadnezzar gave the highest praise to the God of Israel. This was something which would have seemed impossible to the exiled Israelites at that time.
 - a) What might be some of the limitations or very improbable/impossible things (please exclude things which are physically and scientifically impossible, e.g. becoming the President of a country you are not a citizen of, or going back in time) that are in:
 - i. your life including your family
 - ii. your work situation
 - iii. Singapore
 - iv. the world
 - b) What could/must happen (what must God do?) in order for the impossible situations you have shared above to become possible?
 - c) If what you shared in 2(b) is within the will of God, please commit them to the Lord in prayer now (e.g. if you shared that God must give your pre-believing parent a dream so as to believe in Jesus, then pray as a DG now).



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- 3. Nebuchadnezzar had a "vision" in his dream the Great Tree being cut down. He was frightened/troubled and even when the meaning of the dream/vision was explained to him, he did not obey to do what is right. In the book of Daniel, God allowed Daniel to see many "visions" (other persons' dreams or even visions of the heavens and the future), and he was always faithful and obedient to God.
 - a) What are the things which capture the visions of people today (whether for good or for bad)?
 - b) What are some possible ambitions and plans that people might have for their lives? [if you are willing, can you share an ambition or plan you have, or used to have when you were younger]
 - c) From the Bible, what can you discern are God's vision/purposes for His people? [if you are willing, and you are quite sure about it, can you share what you know are God's plans for your life?]
- 4. God took away Nebuchadnezzar's sanity and made him to live like a wild animal for seven years but restored him when he repented, because God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble (James 4:6). There are three possible types of pride which God resists:
 - Arrogance
 - Self-centred type of self-sufficiency
 - False humility
 - a) Do you know of anyone (perhaps even a Christian) who is proud (in an ungodly way)? Share what this person's pride is about.
 - b) Have you been proud in a way that God would resist? Are you willing to humble yourself, repent and seek never to be proud in an ungodly way?

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