



WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

Faithful Presence

A Leap of Faith

Daniel 2:24-30

EXPLORING THE SERMON

- What did you hear?
- What did you think or feel about what you heard?
- What is one thing you can take away from the sermon this week?

VERSES FOR MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

*“No wise man, enchanter, magician or diviner can explain to the king the mystery he has asked about, but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries. **Daniel 2:27-28***

In these passages, King Nebuchadnezzar is troubled by his dreams, and has threatened to execute all the wise men of Babylon for not being able to successfully interpret his dreams. Daniel pleads to God for wisdom concerning the king and his dreams, and then requests to see the king to talk to him about his dreams. Daniel takes a leap of faith with the king by admitting to him that he cannot interpret his dreams, but that it is only God in heaven who can reveal mysteries. Daniel relies on God's faithfulness in the past, trusting that God will continue to protect him during his time in courts of Babylon.

- *Thomas reminds us that there should be a part of us that experiences fear when we take something seriously. When we are called to take a serious risk – whether it is appearing before the King as Daniel did, or on pledge Sunday – are we prepared to trust that God will be there for our very real needs, which can ultimately result in the flourishing of His people?*
- *Discuss some areas on your life where you need to trust God more. What are some ways you can reflect on His faithfulness to you that can help you move forward in faithfulness to Him?*

Heavenly Father, Thank you for the example of Daniel and his brave, faithful presence in the midst of constant danger and uncertainty. Reveal to us those areas in our lives in which you are calling us to trust you, and help us remember all the ways in which you have been faithful to us. **Amen.**

