

The Challenge Of Success | Daniel, Pt. 6

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A hot furnace tests silver and gold, but **people are tested by the praise they receive.** [Proverbs 27:21 \(NCV\)](#)

3 Side Effects Of Success

1. We get .

I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at home in my palace, **contented and prosperous.** [Daniel 4:4 \(NIV\)](#)

I said to myself, "**I have built this great Babylon** as my royal home. I built it by **my power** to show **my glory** and **my majesty.**" [Daniel 4:30 \(NCV\)](#)

2. We ignore the .

- Conflict
- Indulging
- Entitlement

3. We delay .

Therefore, Your Majesty, be pleased to accept my advice: **Renounce your sins by doing what is right**, and your wickedness by **being kind to the oppressed**. It may be that then your prosperity will continue. [Daniel 4:27 \(NIV\)](#)

Twelve months later, as the king was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon, he said, "Is not this the great Babylon I have built as the royal residence, by my mighty power and for the glory of my majesty?"

[Daniel 4:29-30 \(NIV\)](#)

Even as the words were on his lips, a voice came from heaven, "This is what is decreed for you, King Nebuchadnezzar: **Your royal authority has been taken from you** . You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox. Seven times will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone he wishes." [Daniel 4:31-32 \(NIV\)](#)

The Prescription:

up & up!

At the end of that time, I, Nebuchadnezzar, **raised my eyes toward heaven**, and my sanity was restored. **Then I praised the Most High; I honored and glorified him who lives forever.** [Daniel 4:34 \(NIV\)](#)

God did all this so you would never say to yourself, 'I have achieved this wealth with my own strength and energy.' **Remember the LORD your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful .**

[Deuteronomy 8:17-18 \(NLT\)](#)

Talk It Over

1. When in your life have you found it hardest to stay connected to God – during struggles or during seasons of success? Why do you think that is?
2. King Nebuchadnezzar had a full year after the warning to change his ways, but didn't. What causes us to delay doing what we know is right?

For your own notes:

Daily Bible Readings

Monday—[Luke 13:1-21](#)//Tuesday—[Luke 13:22-35](#)

Wednesday—[Luke 14:1-24](#)//Thursday—[Luke 14:25-35](#)

Friday—[Luke 15:1-10](#)//Saturday/Sunday—[Luke 15:11-32](#); [16:1-18](#)

Join us in-person or online next weekend for:

DANIEL, Part 7

Service Times:

Saturday @ **6:15pm**

Sunday @ **10:00am + 11:45am + 1:30pm**