**Daniel 5: Uncovering and Healing the sin under every other sin**

**Read Daniel 4:37-5:31**

1. Pride is central to this incident of King Belshazzar including Daniel’s recollection of King Nebuchadnezzar’s humbling. In reflecting on both of these stories how would you define pride?
2. There are a number of consequences of pride reflected in this story. What are they, and what impact do they have on the individual and the world around them?
3. From your own experience what other consequences of pride are there in our lives?
4. *Read Exodus 19:9-22; Isaiah 6:1-8 and Hebrews 12:18-24; 28-29.* What do all of these incidents have in common with Belshazzar’s response to the handwriting on the wall? What impact do such encounters have on human pride?
5. God seemed to have infinite patience with King Nebuchadnezzar’s pride and judges Belshazzar in the aftermath of this one expression of pride. Why do you think that is?
6. *Read Philippians 2:1-11.* How can reflecting on the humility of God in Jesus shape within us pride’s corresponding virtue, humility? What are the practical implication of this?