



WHEN IN BABYLON

Daniel 2

WARM UP

What is one of the *first* or most *interesting* jobs you've had?

SET IT UP

Daniel was dragged from his home and forced to march 500 miles to the capital of Babylon. And there, far from his family, his people, his place of worship—far from everything familiar—his convictions were put to the test. Daniel thrived in a society that didn't share his values. If Daniel can do that in Babylon, what can we do today?

CHAT IT UP

1. **You pick: Share a story about your best boss or worst boss.**
2. In Daniel 2 the king has a dream his advisors cannot interpret. Enraged, he sentences them to death. **Read verses 12-14. How does Daniel respond to this unfairness?**
3. **How would you have felt when Arioch showed up at your door with the order to execute you? What do you think you would have done?**
4. **What does Daniel's response reveal about him?** (Answer: He believed that no one could touch him if God did not allow it for His good purposes.)
5. You probably don't have the king's men showing up at your door to execute you. **How do you typically respond to the just and unjust authorities in your life?** (Think: Bad bosses, good police officers, etc.)
6. **Read Daniel 2:19-23. What did Daniel's trust in God do for Daniel?** (Answer: Gave him confidence and peace.)
7. **Read Daniel 2:45-47. What did Daniel's trust in God's sovereignty do for his bad boss?** (Answer: Daniel's response revealed God's greatness to the king.)
8. **How do you need apply this truth to your life?** (Hint: Do you usually trust or fret?)

WRAP IT UP

When we forget that God is in control, then fear takes control. When this world seems out of control, remind yourself that God is not.

LEADER TIPS

- It might be good to explore question five by asking your group members to list the authorities in their lives. This would also be a good question to ask your group to elaborate on their answers.