

Worship Service November 1, 2020 Pastor Bruce Adrian

# Kings & Kingdoms Daniel 4:28-37

#### The King Who Went Crazy (With a Lesson for Presidents and Us on Election Day)

The PATHWAY of the pride of self to the praise of God travels through the valley of humiliation.

### Three Stages of King Nebuchadnezzar's Story

Stage 1: The PRIDE of Self (Vs. 28-30)

#### The Essence of Pride

Pride is the ENJOYMENT of self-sufficiency rather than God-sufficiency and self-exaltation rather than God-exaltation.

## **Stage 2: The VALLEY of Humiliation** (Vs. 31-33)

#### The Reason for the Valley of Humiliation

God leads us to the valley of humiliation so we can FEEL the bestiality of pride and TASTE the bitter grass of its field.

Stage 3: The PRAISE of God (Vs. 34-35, 37)

## **Application for the Presidential Election**

God will sovereignly CHOOSE the next President of the United States.

"...the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom He will." Daniel 4:32 ESV

#### Two Things This Does Not Mean

- It does not mean that you should not VOTE.
- 2. It does not mean that God will APPROVE all the policies of the person who wins.

#### Two Things This Does Mean

- It means that the Presidential winner should not BOAST, but should be humbled under the mighty hand of God.
- 2. It means that you should take heart and be **ENCOURAGED** by the sovereignty of God in this election.

#### When It Comes to the Election on Tuesday

Vote <u>WITHOUT HOPE</u> in any one person and vote <u>WITH HO</u>PE in our sovereign God and His Son Jesus Christ!

The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He will. Proverbs 21:1