

**Story Time - Read the story to the children**  
**Lesson 158: NEBUCHADNEZZAR IS HUMBLLED**  
**DANIEL 4:28-37**

All these things happened to King Nebuchadnezzar. Twelve months after the dream, King Nebuchadnezzar was walking on the roof of his palace in Babylon. While on the roof, the king said, "Look at Babylon! I built this great city. It is my palace. I built this great place by my power. I built this place to show how great I am." The words were still in his mouth when a voice came from heaven. The voice said, "King Nebuchadnezzar, these things will happen to you: Your power as king has been taken away from you. You will be forced to go away from people. You will live with the wild animals and eat grass like an ox. Seven seasons (about seven years) will pass before you learn your lesson. Then you will learn that God Most High rules over human kingdoms and gives them to whoever He wants." These things happened immediately, within the same hour! Nebuchadnezzar was forced to go away from people. He began eating grass like an ox. He became wet from dew. His hair grew long like the feathers of an eagle, and his nails grew long like the claws of a bird. Then at the end of that time, I, Nebuchadnezzar, looked up toward heaven, and I was in my right mind again. Then I gave praise to God Most High. I gave honor and glory to Him who lives forever. God rules forever! His kingdom continues for all generations. People on earth are not really important. God does what He wants with the powers of heaven and the people on earth. No one can stop His powerful hand or question what He does. At that time God gave me my right mind again, and He gave back my great honor and power as king. My advisors and the royal people began to ask my advice again. I became the king again--even greater and more powerful than before. Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, give praise, honor, and glory to the King of Heaven. Everything He does is right. He is always fair, and those who walk in pride He is able to put down!

**158. NEBUCHADNEZZAR IS HUMBLING**  
**(DANIEL 4:28-37)**



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### MEMORY VERSE:

*“Those who walk in pride He is able to put down.” DANIEL 4:37*

### TRUE OR FALSE

1. King Nebuchadnezzar was walking around the royal palace and said, “Look at this great Babylon that GOD has built!” TRUE or FALSE
2. While Nebuchadnezzar was still talking, a voice came from heaven and said, “King Nebuchadnezzar, your power as king has been taken away from you....!” TRUE or FALSE
3. The voice also said that Nebuchadnezzar would be near his people always. TRUE or FALSE
4. The voice said that Nebuchadnezzar would eat grass like an ox and live like an animal. TRUE or FALSE
5. These things happened to Nebuchadnezzar immediately, within the same hour! TRUE or FALSE

### ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

1. What was Nebuchadnezzar doing when he heard the voice from heaven?
2. What things did the voice tell Nebuchadnezzar was going to happen to him? (He would lose his power as king, be taken away from his people, eat grass like an ox, and live with the animals).
3. How long was Nebuchadnezzar going to have to live like this?
4. What happened to his hair and fingernails?
5. What did he eat?
6. After the seven seasons had passed, and his right mind returned to him, what did Nebuchadnezzar say or do?

## Lesson 158 Activity/Discussion

### Proud Animals

Give each child a blank piece of paper and markers or crayons.

Discuss what pride is (say something like “I am the GREATEST teacher that Calvary Chapel EVER had!” or something like that to show pride, it will make the children giggle!)

Pass out the paper and tell them to draw an animal that might make them think of pride or of being proud (some suggestions might be a lion, tiger, peacock, eagle, or bear). After drawing have each child share their picture with the class and tell why they chose that animal as representing pride.

### **ALTERNATE ACTIVITY/CRAFT:**

#### **Have a Slice of Humble Pie**

Use this activity to reinforce the memory verse today. You will need a sheet of construction paper for each child (any color), a “Humble Pie” template, markers or crayons, scissors, and glue stick. The children should cut out the slices from the template and glue them in the right order onto a piece of construction paper, then decorate.

**PRAYER** Lead the children in a prayer of commitment to reject pride and embrace humility. If there are any children who have not yet responded to the Gospel, give them opportunity.

Template: Humble Pie Puzzle

Have a slice of  
**Humble Pie**

