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PT 3

"The Ability to Interpret" Pastor Matt Mylin September 12-13, 2020

Daniel 2:14-23; Daniel 1:17; Mark 8:31-33

1. <u>Humility</u>

Biblical humility is not low self-esteem. *Romans 12:3*

Biblical humility is not a lack of ambition.

Biblical humility is the ruthless elimination of pride. Proverbs 11:2

Biblical humility is the practice of giving God praise.

2. Stability

Stability is unshakable character in an unpredictable situation. *Daniel 2:24-28; Daniel 2:47-49*

3. Credibility

Credibility is being trustworthy. *Hebrews 10:23-25*

Celebrate and Care:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

Review:

God gives the ability to interpret circumstances through the lens of scripture. We build credibility when we walk in humility.

Open Up:

How is our culture today alike and/or different than the one Daniel faced?

Discuss:

Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.

- In your own words, what does it mean to be humble? What value does humility bring?
- How can we experience the stability God offers in trying times?
- We say, "Discussion leads to discovery, discovery highlights decisions, and decisions determine destiny." What could be missing if discussion is not a part of our decision making process?
- Read Daniel 2:20-23. What is one focal point you are most grateful for today?
- What erodes a person's credibility? How can it be regained if it has been diminished?

Engage:

Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.

Consider the three attributes of Daniel that we focused on this week: Humility, Stability and Credibility. Which one comes most naturally to you? Which one do you need to pay the most attention to?

Pray:

Read Hebrews 10:23-25. Consider the three "let us" instructions in these verses and pray for our church using them as a guideline.