

"Stand Up!"
Courageous Series
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There are 2 confrontational extremes:

- 1) Some are **UNWILLING** to confront
- 2) Some confront **UNLOVINGLY**

"Your Majesty, you are that tree! You have become great and strong; your greatness has grown until it reaches the sky, and your dominion extends to distant parts of the earth." Daniel 4:22

- "You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox and be drenched with the dew of heaven. Seven times will pass by for you until you acknowledge that the Most High is sovereign over all kingdoms on earth and gives them to anyone He wishes. The command to leave the stump of the tree with its roots means that your kingdom will be restored to you when you acknowledge that Heaven rules." Daniel 4:25-26

"King Nebuchadnezzar, please accept my advice. <u>Stop sinning</u> and <u>do what you know is right</u>." Daniel 4:27

- "...be merciful to the poor. Perhaps then you will continue to prosper." Verse 27

"Brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should **gently and humbly**, **help that person back onto the right path....**" Galatians 6:1

- "And remembering that next time it might be <u>one of you who is in the wrong.</u>" Galatians 6:1

2 simple prayers that are memorable & applicable when confronting someone:

- 1) "God, help us to confront with the goal of **RESTORATION**"
- 2) "God, help me to confront with CAUTION"

You're not responsible for their $\underline{\textbf{RESPONSE}}$

"At the end of that time, I, Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes toward heaven, and my sanity was restored. Then I praised the Most High; I honored and glorified Him who lives forever." Daniel 4:34

C3 Group Questions

<u>Accountability:</u> Were you at church on Sunday to grow & learn? Did you read/listen to the Bible & pray this week on a regular basis? If so, share what stood out to you in your time with God?

<u>Ice Breaker:</u> Tell a time when you confronted someone? How did you do it & what was the result from it?

Review: What one thing stood out to you (either helpful, insightful or troubling) from the weekend's message?

Group Discussion:

Which of the 2 confrontational extremes do you find yourself most often taking?

What obstacles might be standing in your way of taking a more prayerful approach when confronting others?

Read & discuss Daniel 4:22-27 & Galatians 6:1.

Share a time when someone confronted you. How did they confront you, & did the way they confront help you or hurt you?

What's one situation you're dealing with that you're having to trust God for the results?

Who do you need to confront? How will you prayerfully confront them?

How can this group pray for you this week? Who in this group can you pray for this week?

Next Steps: ("Do not merely listen to the word.....Do what it says." James 1:22)

Read over the following Bible passages this week:

- Day 1: Daniel 4:1-18
- Day 2: Daniel 4:19-27
- Day 3: Daniel 4:28-37
- Day 4: Galatians 6:1-10
- Day 5: Matthew 18:15-20
- Day 6: Philippians 2:1-4
- Day 7: Ephesians 4:29