

Letter From A Madman

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Daniel 4:28-37

There is a certain clarity and freedom in madness that sanity rarely allows. King Nebuchadnezzar was troubled by a dream of a great tree. The tree was a fountain of life and blessing, and in its abundance all creatures flourished and found shelter. Shockingly, the tree was stripped, its branches torn away, and the trunk cut down. Nothing remained but a stump, bound with iron and bronze.

In his alarm, the king called for his wisest counselor, Belteshazzar, whom we know as the prophet Daniel, to interpret the dream. Daniel explained that the tree was Nebuchadnezzar himself. He would be humbled by an extended period of madness, taking on the appearance of a beast and living in an open field. Eventually his sanity would return—the stump would sprout new life.

He learned an invaluable lesson: None of us is “too big to fail.” The Lord exalts and brings down; our chief duty is to honor and glorify Him.

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