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1. What was one thing that stood out to you from the message?
2. Nebuchadnezzar's outrage came from feeling threatened. What kinds of situations tend to trigger insecurity in you? How do you usually respond when those feelings surface?
3. **Read Daniel 2:5-6.** Nebuchadnezzar asked them to do something impossible. What was it?

Why is it impossible to expect other people to fix your insecurities?
4. If insecurity is the result of an ever-changing world, how can we avoid being tossed around by every shift in culture, relationships, or circumstances?
5. **Read Daniel 2:44-47.** How does knowing that Jesus and his kingdom never change help you face the instability of life today?

Do any parts of your life feel like they're built on shifting sand?
6. What does it look like to build your life on the Rock?
7. When we are secure in Jesus, the Rock who never changes, it allows us to respond to outrage with outrageous love. What would that kind of love look like in one of your current relationships or environments?

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Bible Reading for Today

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²⁷ Daniel replied, "No wise man, enchanter, magician or diviner can explain to the king the mystery he has asked about, ²⁸ but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries. He has shown King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen in days to come.

³⁹ "After you, another kingdom will arise, inferior to yours. Next, a third kingdom, one of bronze, will rule over the whole earth. ⁴⁰ Finally, there will be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron—for iron breaks and smashes everything—and as iron breaks things to pieces, so it will crush and break all the others. ⁴¹ Just as you saw that the feet and toes were partly of baked clay and partly of iron, so this will be a divided kingdom; yet it will have some of the strength of iron in it, even as you saw iron mixed with clay. ⁴² As the toes were partly iron and partly clay, so this kingdom will be partly strong and partly brittle. ⁴³ And just as you saw the iron mixed with baked clay, so the people will be a mixture and will not remain united, any more than iron mixes with clay.

⁴⁴ "In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever. ⁴⁵ This is the meaning of the vision of the rock cut out of a mountain, but not by human hands—a rock that broke the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold to pieces.

"The great God has shown the king what will take place in the future. The dream is true and its interpretation is trustworthy."

⁴⁶ Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell prostrate before Daniel and paid him honor and ordered that an offering and incense be presented to him. ⁴⁷ The king said to Daniel, "Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery."