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**SESSION 4 | COURAGE IN THE BOOK OF
DANIEL**

I. INTRODUCTION

- Defining Courage
 - Short Definition: *Christian courage is confident obedience to the Lord in the face of fearsome circumstances*
 - Long Definition: *Christian courage is the virtue of confident obedience to the Lord, with conviction and discernment, in the face of adversity, risk, or sacrifice required by fearsome circumstances.*
- Contrasting Courage
- So, Why Daniel?

II. THREE DANIEL NARRATIVES: WHEN COURAGE IS REQUIRED

- *Daniel in the Story of Scripture*
- *Daniel 1: Courage in Stepping Up*

- *Daniel 3: Courage in Standing Ground*

- *Daniel 6: Courage in Being Consistent*

III. FOUNDATIONS FOR COURAGE IN THE STORIES OF DANIEL

- Themes in Daniel
 - Sovereignty

 - Suffering

 - Fear of the Lord vs. Fear of Babylon/Fear of the King

 - Courage

- Foundations for Courage
 - Sovereignty of God

 - Fear of the Lord + Promises of the Lord

 - Christ as Example: Exile and King of Kings

IV. OUR RESPONSE

- Observe their Example of Courage: Fear God, not the King

- Be an Example of Courage: A Secondary Means of our Sanctification

V. RESOURCES

- When People are Big and God is Small, Ed Welch

- Worldliness: Resisting the Seduction of a Fallen World

- The Crook in the Lot, Boston