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Daniel 3:28 NIV Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God." Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:1-2 NIV King Nebuchadnezzar, to the nations and peoples of every language, who live in all the earth: May you prosper greatly! ² It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:3 ^{NIV} How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; his dominion endures from generation to generation. Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:4-5 NIV

I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at home in my palace, contented and prosperous. ⁵ I had a dream that made me afraid. As I was lying in bed, the images and visions that passed through my mind terrified me.

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Daniel 4:6-7 NIV

So I commanded that all the wise men of Babylon be brought before me to interpret the dream for me.⁷ When the magicians, enchanters, astrologers and diviners came, I told them the dream, but they could not interpret it for me. Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:8-9 NIV

Finally, Daniel came into my presence and I told him the dream. (He is called Belteshazzar, after the name of my god, and the spirit of the holy gods is in him.) ⁹ I said, "Belteshazzar, chief of the magicians, I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in you, and no mystery is too difficult for you. Here is my dream; interpret it for me."

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Deuteronomy 6:4-9 NIV Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

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Daniel 4:18-19 NIV

"This is the dream that I, King Nebuchadnezzar, had. Now, Belteshazzar, tell me what it means, for none of the wise men in my kingdom can interpret it for me. But you can, because the spirit of the holy gods is in you." ¹⁹ Then Daniel (also called Belteshazzar) was greatly perplexed for a time, and his thoughts terrified him. So the king said, "Belteshazzar, do not let the dream or its meaning alarm you." Belteshazzar answered, "My lord, if only the dream applied to your enemies and its meaning to your adversaries!"

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Daniel 4:20-22 NIV

"The tree you saw, which grew large and strong, with its top touching the sky, visible to the whole earth, ²¹ with beautiful leaves and abundant fruit, providing food for all, giving shelter to the wild animals, and having nesting places in its branches for the birds— ²² 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." Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:23 NIV

"Your Majesty saw a holy one, a messenger, coming down from heaven and saying, 'Cut down the tree and destroy it, but leave the stump, bound with iron and bronze, in the grass of the field, while its roots remain in the ground. Let him be drenched with the dew of heaven; let him live with the wild animals, until seven times pass by for him.'" Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:24-25 NIV

"This is the interpretation, Your Majesty, and this is the decree the Most High has issued against my lord the king: ²⁵ 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."

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Daniel 4:26-27 NIV

"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. ²⁷ Therefore, Your Majesty, be pleased to accept my advice: Renounce your sins by doing what is right, and your wickedness by being kind to the oppressed. It may be that then your prosperity will continue." Week One Daniel 1

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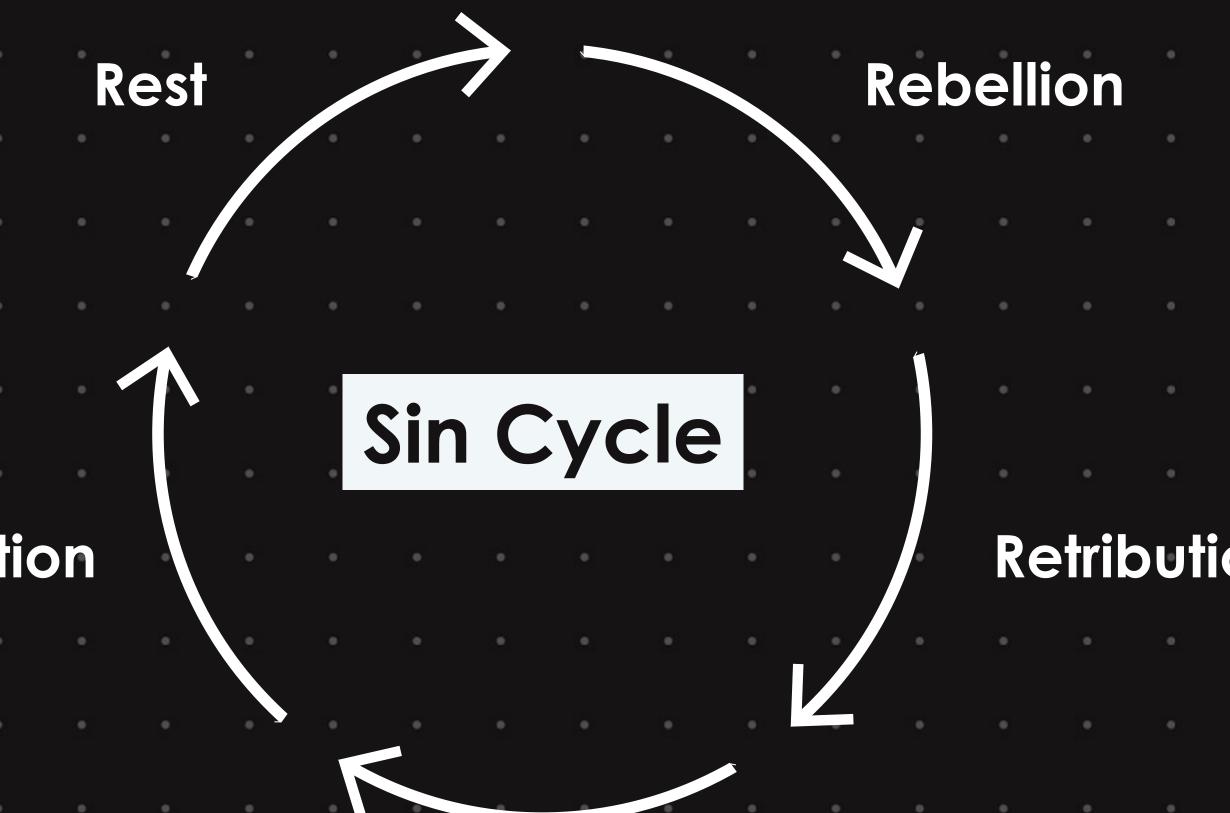
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Daniel 4:28-30 NIV

All this happened to King Nebuchadnezzar. ²⁹ Twelve months later, as the king was walking on the roof of the royal palace of Babylon, ³⁰ he said, "Is not this the great Babylon I have built as the royal residence, by my mighty power and for the glory of my majesty?"

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Daniel 4:31-32 NIV

Even as the words were on his lips, a voice came from heaven, "This is what is decreed for you, King Nebuchadnezzar: Your royal authority has been taken from you. ³² You will be driven away from people and will live with the wild animals; you will eat grass like the ox. 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." Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:33 NIV

Immediately what had been said about Nebuchadnezzar was fulfilled. He was driven away from people and ate grass like the ox. His body was drenched with the dew of heaven until his hair grew like the feathers of an eagle and his nails like the claws of a bird. Week One Daniel 1

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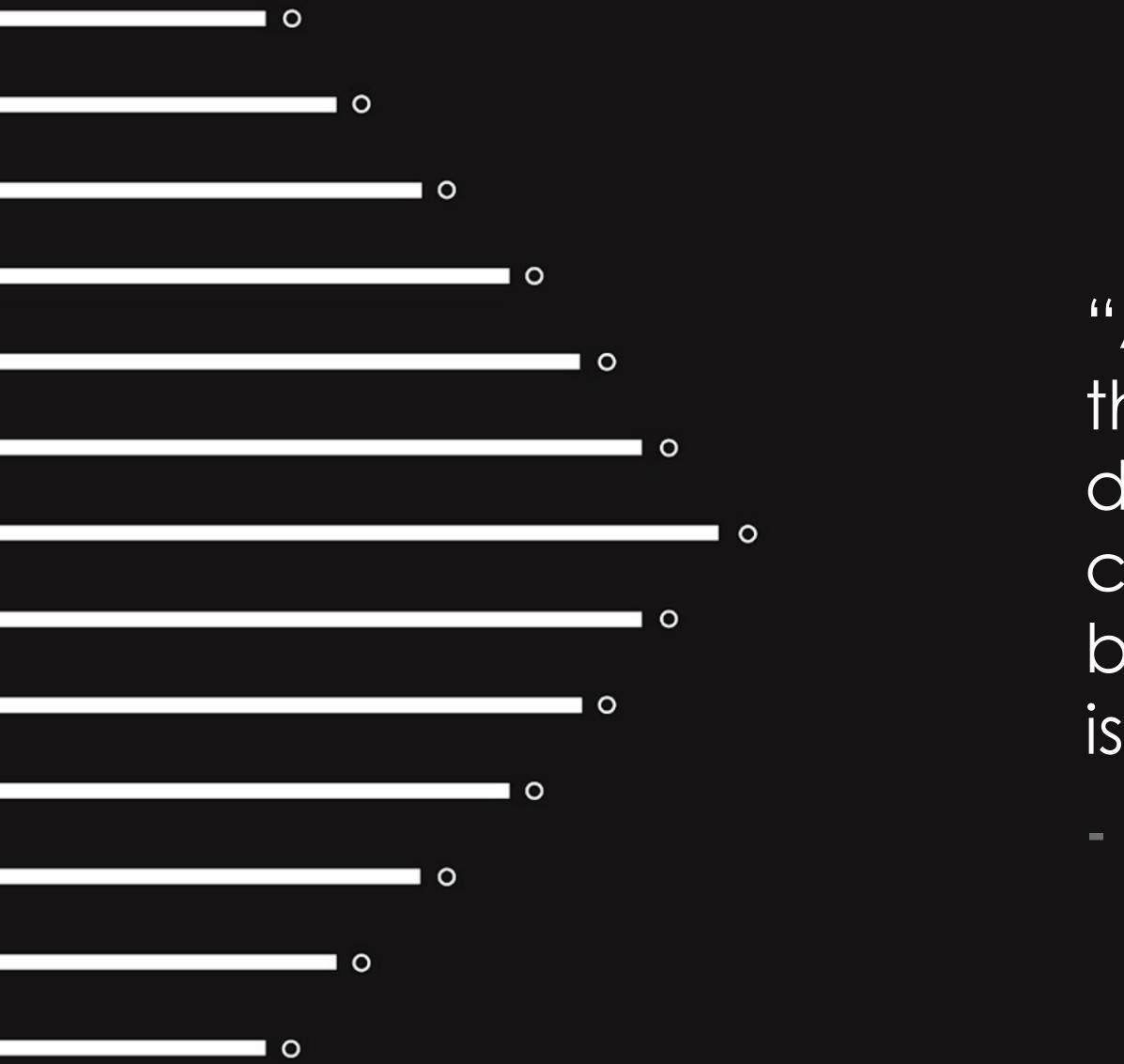
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"According to Christian teachers, the essential vice, the utmost evil, is Pride. Unchastity, anger, greed, drunkenness, and all that, are mere fleabites in

comparison: it was through Pride that the devil became the devil: Pride leads to every other vice: it is the complete anti-God state of mind."

- C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity

Daniel 4:34a NIV

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. Week One Daniel 1

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Daniel 4:34-35 NIV

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. His dominion is an eternal dominion; his kingdom endures from generation to generation. ³⁵ All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?"

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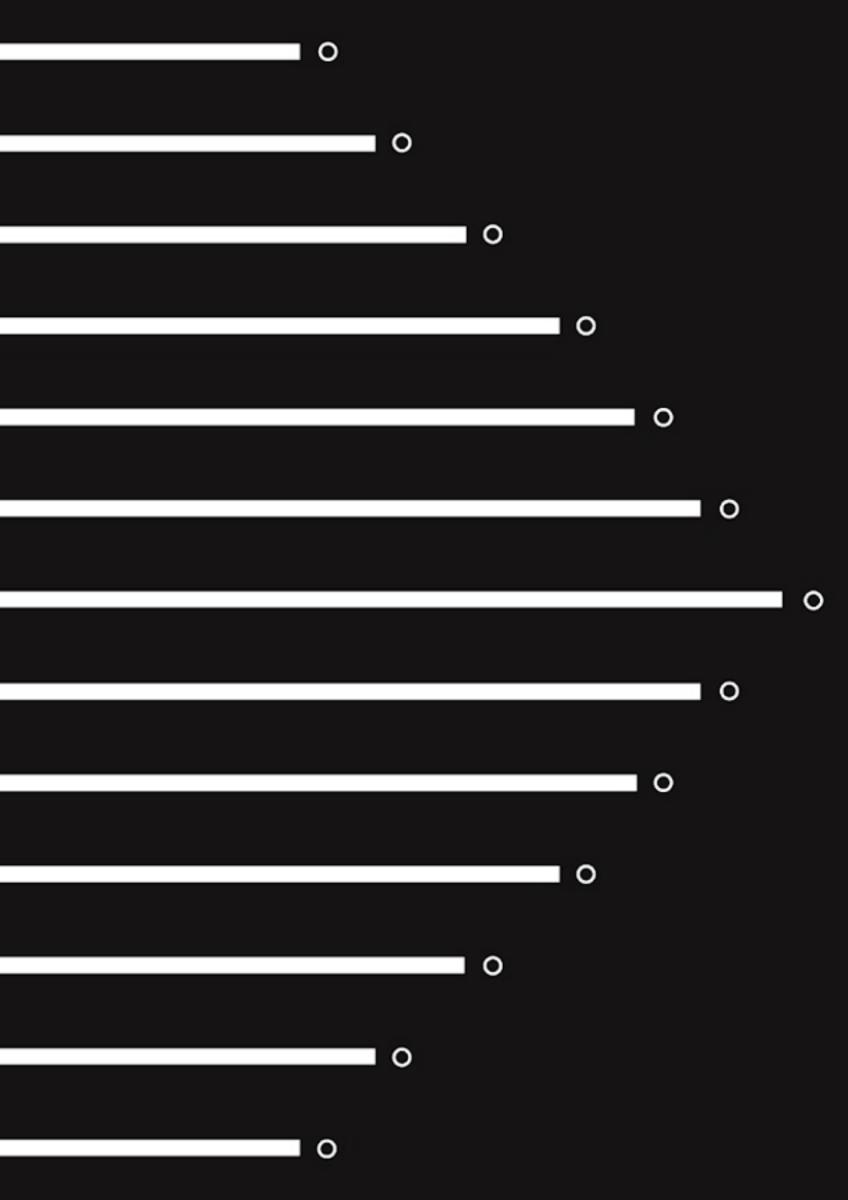
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God humbles the proud.

The Tale of Two Kings

Nebuchadnezzar Belshazzar



Daniel 5:25 NIV

"This is the inscription that was written: MENE, MENE, TEKEL, PARSIN''

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Daniel 5:26-29 NIV

"Here is what these words mean: Mene: God has numbered the days of your reign and brought it to an end.²⁷ Tekel: You have been weighed on the scales and found wanting. ²⁸ Peres: Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians." ²⁹ Then at Belshazzar's command, Daniel was clothed in purple, a gold chain was placed around his neck, and he was proclaimed the third highest ruler in the kingdom.

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Daniel 5:30-31 NIV

That very night Belshazzar, king of the Babylonians, was slain, ³¹ and Darius the Mede took over the kingdom, at the age of sixty-two.

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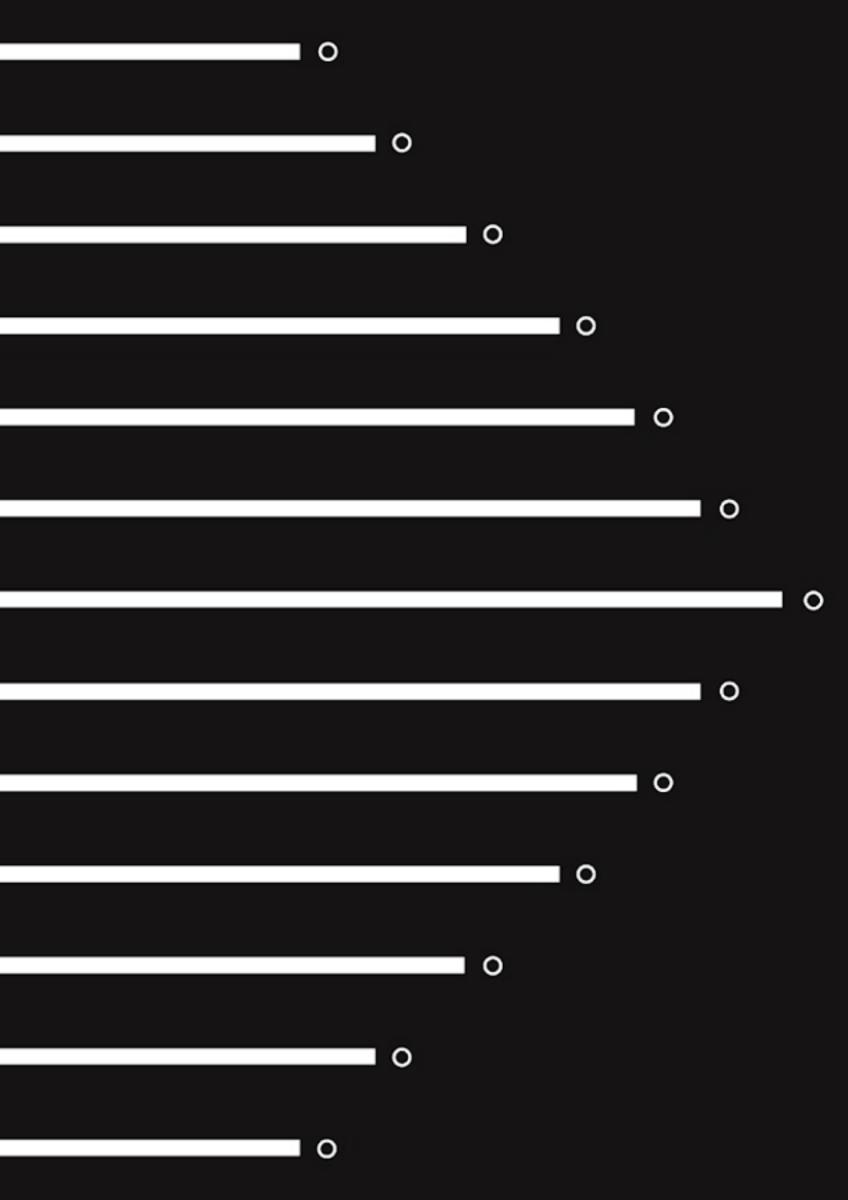
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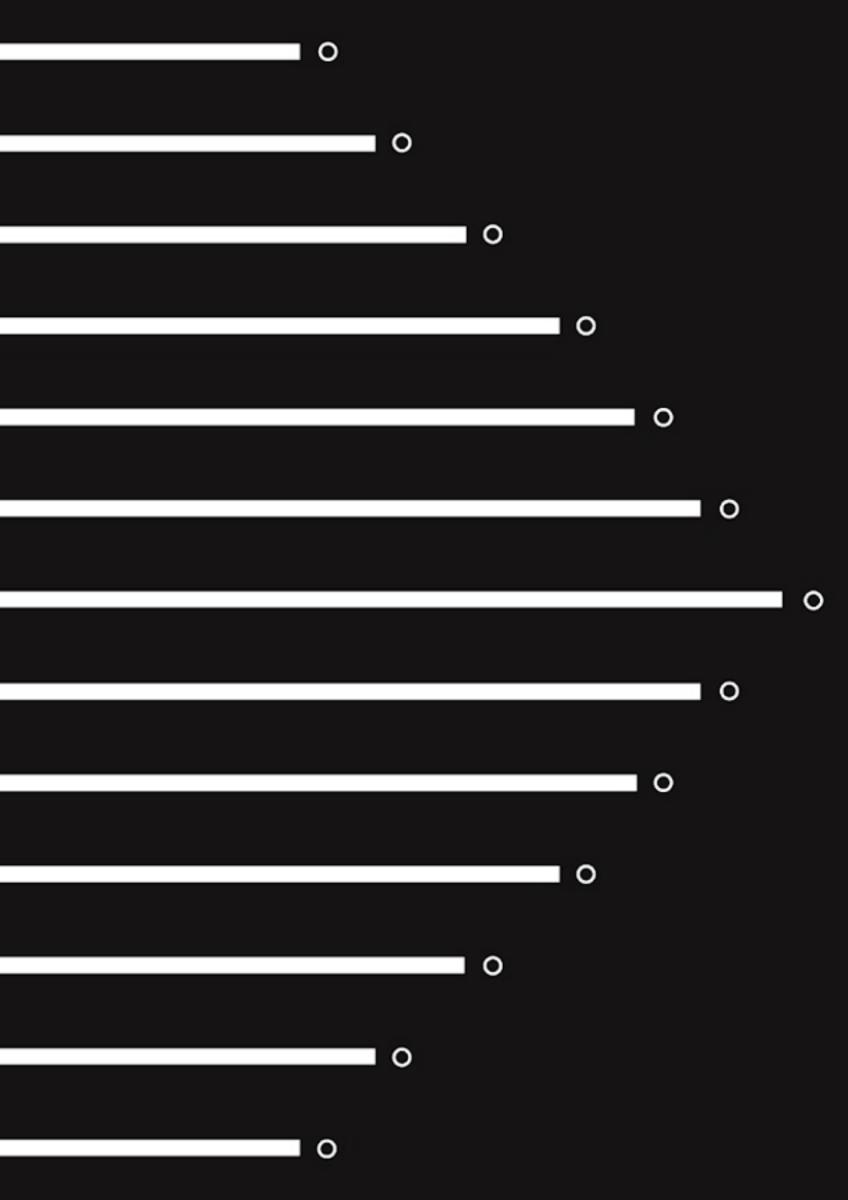
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God humbles the proud, and lifts up the humble.

James 4:10 NIV Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

1 Peter 5:6 NIV Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

Luke 14:11 NIV "For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Week One Daniel 1

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Philippians 2:5-8 NIV

mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death even death on a cross!

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Philippians 2:9-11 NIV Therefore God exalted him to the highest place in heaven and on earth and under the earth, to the glory of God the Father.

and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, Week One Daniel i

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