

# COMPROMISE CULTURE

## Week #2: The Babylon Mentality

*My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.*

John 17:15-16 (NIV)

*Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves"...*

Genesis 11:4 (NIV)

*That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. ...*

Genesis 11:9 (NIV)

*...Your wisdom and knowledge mislead you when you say to yourself, 'I am, and there is none besides me.'*

Isaiah 47:10 (NIV)

1. The Babylon Mentality elevates \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The Babylon Mentality lowers \_\_\_\_\_.

*King Nebuchadnezzar, To the nations and peoples of every language, who live in all the earth: May you prosper greatly! It is my pleasure to tell you about the miraculous signs and wonders that the Most High God has performed for me. How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders! His kingdom is an eternal kingdom; his dominion endures from generation to generation.*

Daniel 4:1-3 (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.*

Daniel 4:26 (NIV)

3. God always provides a \_\_\_\_\_.

*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. 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?" At the same time that my sanity was restored, my honor and splendor were returned to me for the glory of my kingdom. My advisers and nobles sought me out, and I was restored to my throne and became even greater than before. Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven, because everything he does is right and all his ways are just. And those who walk in pride he is able to humble.*

Daniel 4:34-37 (NIV)

### • What will I do to stand strong and love well?

A. I will \_\_\_\_\_.

*I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.*

Psalms 145:1 (NIV)

*What are you so puffed up about? What do you have that God hasn't given you? And if all you have is from God, why act... as though you have accomplished something on your own?*

1 Corinthians 4:7 (TLB)

B. I will \_\_\_\_\_.

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.*

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

*Humble yourselves before the Lord, and He will lift you up.*

James 4:10 (NIV)

### Recommended Resources

- *The Daniel Dilemma*, by Chris Hodges
- *Thriving in Babylon*, by Larry Osborne
- *Awake, Not Woke*, by Noelle Mering
- *Counter Culture*, by David Platt