

THE HIGH COST OF AN ARROGANT SPIRIT – PART 2

DEAR NEXT PRESIDENT – PART 2 – LIFEGROUP QUESTIONS

WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU LEARNED FROM ONE OF YOUR GRANDPARENTS?

- Belshazzar did Not learn the history of his grandfather.

PASTOR MARK ENCOURAGED OUR NEXT PRESIDENT TO NOT MISTAKE GOD’S SILENCE FOR HIS ABSENCE.

- How have you responded to the silence of God during a difficult time?
- How about during a season of victories?

DESCRIBE A TURNING POINT IN YOUR LIFE WHEN YOU QUIT HOPING GOD DIDN’T SEE YOUR FAULTS AND INSTEAD EMBRACED HIS WILLINGNESS TO FORGIVE YOUR FAULTS.

- Why do you think some people continue to pretend God doesn’t see, instead of coming clean?

Proverbs 5:21 (NIV)

²¹For a man's ways are in full view of the LORD, and he examines all his paths.

PASTOR MARK ENCOURAGED OUR NEXT PRESIDENT NOT TO IGNORE HISTORY, BECAUSE IT WILL COST US ALL.

- Belshazzar knew the pride and humility of his grandfather Nebuchadnezzar, yet didn’t learn.
- What is a lesson that took you too long to learn?

PERHAPS YOU’VE HEARD OF THE IDIOM, “I CAN SEE THE WRITING ON THE WALL.” DANIEL 5:23-28 IS WHERE THAT COMES FROM.

- Has there ever been a time you saw, “The writing on the wall,” and even though it caught you by surprise, it shouldn’t have? How did you respond?

PASTOR MARK REMINDED OUR NEXT PRESIDENT THAT THEY ARE ACCOUNTABLE. TOO OFTEN PEOPLE IN POWER FEEL THAT THEY ARE EXCEPTIONS TO RULES THAT GOVERN ALL.

- What is the greatest danger of thinking that you are an exception to rules?
- Possible answers: self deception, foolish decisions, etc.

THE LAST QUESTION PASTOR MARK ASKED US TO ASK OURSELVES WAS THIS, “DO I FEAR GOD?”

- What does it mean to you to, “Fear God?”
- Answers should eventually come around to the idea that, “I need God on my side so bad I will do what is hard, and become what I am not, so that He does not need to oppose me.”