

**“God is Never in a Hurry,  
But He is Always on Time”  
Daniel 4: 28-37**

**August 25, 2019**

Verse 28 - 30

**Pride ignores God's warning**

Never overlook the patience of God  
***12 MONTHS LATER!***

**What is mankind's root problem?**

1) **Denial** - God's delay prompts mankind to think God does not mean what He says

2) **Pride** - *"I know better than God"*

**This was Satan's problem!!**

# Warning Signs of a Proud Heart:

- 1) Usually thinks he/she is right
- 2) Easily offended
- 3) Does not like to be corrected
- 4) Obstinate towards authority - quick to find fault; no one does it better than me, etc.

**Nebuchadnezzar is wreaking with  
pride!**

**How are you doing???** (verse 30)

***PRIDE IGNORES GOD'S WARNINGS!!***

Verse 31 - 33

Payday . . . . . *someday*  
Nebuchadnezzar, it's time!!

**Payday comes; Nebuchadnezzar  
literally chokes on his words  
(verse 31)**

**The decree has been enacted -  
*FROM PALACE TO PASTURE!***

**H.A Ironside:**

***“In all this we see a picture of  
Gentile power in its alienation from  
God and bestial character, guilty  
of acting in madness.”*** (BEASTS)

The world empires from man's  
perspective - *precious and powerful!*  
From God's perspective - **BEASTS**



**A proud Nebuchadnezzar becomes  
a *BEAST!***

Verse 34 - 36

God is always on time -

*changed heart*

A

**God will use life circumstances to  
get your attention**

**The Goal:**

**A heart change, your spirit  
made alive**

**Ezekiel 36: 24-27**

**Titus 3: 4-7**

**Never forget:** God's grace limits suffering - **2 Corinthians 4: 16-18**

When suffering, we must keep an eternal perspective; ***this world is not our home!***

We must learn, (*Nebuchadnezzar has learned*) self must die -

**Ephesians 4: 22-24**

***With self out of the way, pride dies!***

# How is pride put to death permanently?

1) **DO** stay close to the fountain of living water - **Jeremiah 2: 13-14**

In the New Testament it is called, abiding in Christ

***No one can be at home in Christ and be prideful!!***

# How is pride put to death permanently? (cont.)

2) **DO** take your life focus off you  
Ephesians 4: 22

3) **DO** focus on God  
Jeremiah 9: 23-24

4) **DO** praise God like  
Nebuchadnezzar did - verse 37

**CONCLUSION: *GOD IS NEVER IN A HURRY, BUT HE IS ALWAYS ON TIME***

- God is never in a hurry
- God is process oriented; we are in a process of transformation

**The Goal of the Process:**

**A new you!**

***A life that brings glory to God!***

CONCLUSION: *GOD IS NEVER IN A HURRY, BUT HE IS ALWAYS ON TIME*

- God is interested in transformation - a new you - *from pride to praise!!*

Never forget:

God is never in a hurry, but always on time!



GOD IS NEVER IN A  
HURRY, *BUT HE IS*  
*ALWAYS ON TIME!*