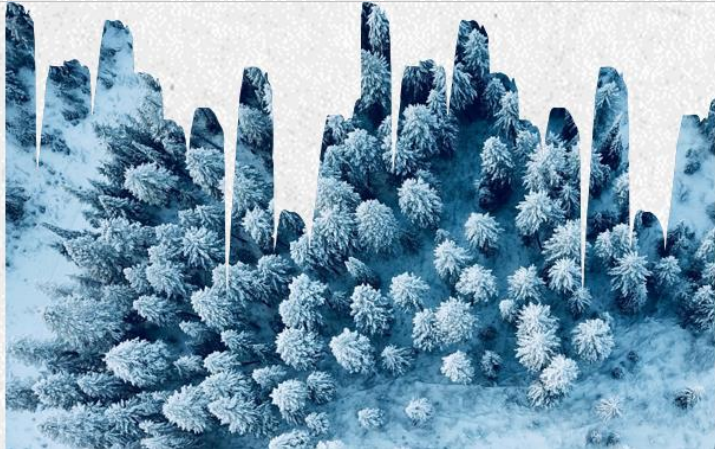


HIGHER GLORY (Part 14)

What Should I Do to Make God Appear For
Me as 'the Lord Almighty'?

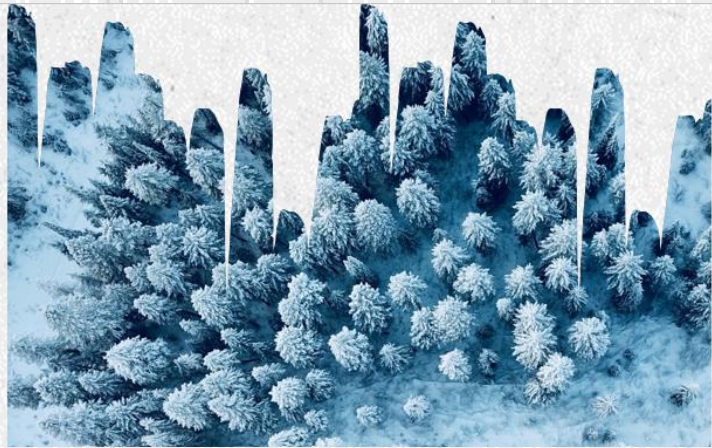


Ans.:

“ARE YOU AFTER GOD’S HEART?”

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HAGGAI 2:9 (NIV)

⁹ ‘The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house,’ says the LORD Almighty. **‘And in this place I will grant peace,’** declares the LORD Almighty.”

2 CORINTHIANS 3:18

¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, **just as by the Spirit of the Lord.** (The transformation journey is by the Holy Spirit).

Ephesians 3:20-21

“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, be the glory throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen”

“ARE YOU AFTER GOD’S HEART?”

In Daniel 1:3-16,

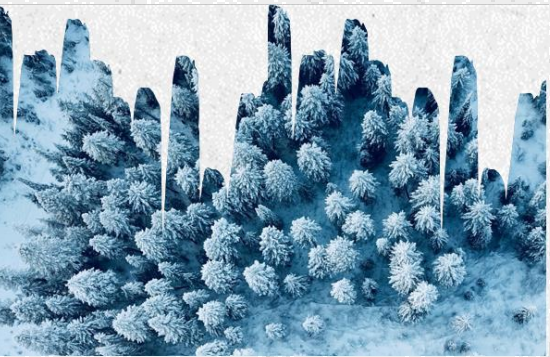
Four men (Daniel, Meshach, Shadrach and Abednego) were among the captured Israelites from the royal family and nobility who were selected to be trained to serve in king Nebuchadnezzar’s service. The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king’s table.

Every other selected Israelites accepted the food and wine BUT Daniel and his three (3) friends refused the food and the wine because they did not want to defile themselves.

Brethren, these four Hebrew boys were after God’s heart but the other Israelites were not.

Result was that God came to these four boys as the “**the Lord Almighty.**”

Vs-11 ¹¹ Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over them, ¹² “Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. ¹³ Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see.” ... ⁵ At the end of the ten



days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food... God appeared to them as “the Lord Almighty.”

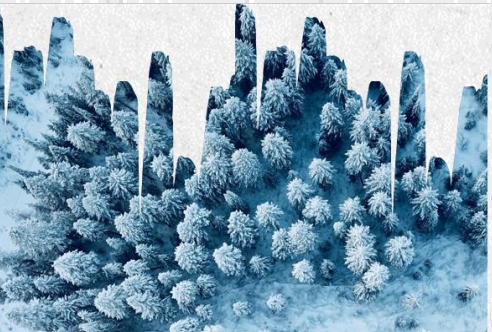
¹⁷ To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds.

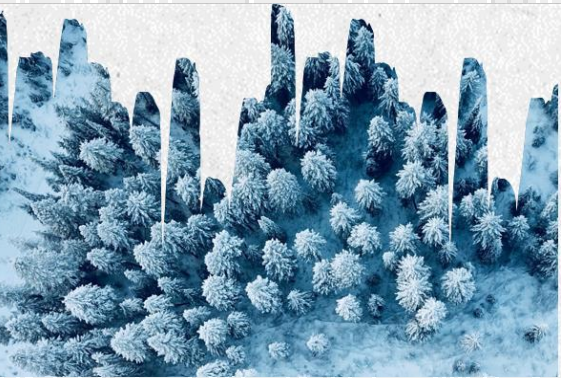
Also, ²⁰ In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanterers in his whole kingdom.

It did not end here, the four boys stayed committed to seeking after God’s heart.

In Daniel 3, at king Nebuchadnezzar golden image,

¹² But there are some Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon—Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—who pay no attention to





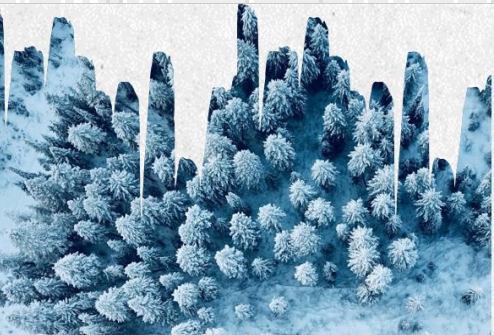
you, Your Majesty. **They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold you have set up.”**

¹³ Furious with rage, Nebuchadnezzar summoned Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. ¹⁵if you do not worship it, you will be thrown immediately into a blazing furnace. Then what god will be able to rescue you from my hand?”

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “king Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. ¹⁷ If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. ¹⁸ But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

Brethren, God delivered them from the burning furnace.

²⁶ Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, “Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, **servants of the Most High God,** come out! ” ⁷ ... They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was **a hair of**



their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them.

Brethren, when “a person is after God’s heart”, God will come to him/her as “the Lord Almighty.”

According to 1 Timothy 2:20-21, 20A large house contains not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay. Some indeed are for honorable use, but others are for common use. **21**So if anyone cleanses himself of what is unfit, he will be a vessel for honor: sanctified, useful to the Master, and prepared for every good work.

Many Israelites were captured/selected BUT only four (4) were after God’s heart and God came to them as “the Lord Almighty.”

No matter what man thinks or does, God remains the OWNER AND CONTROLLER of the universe.

Daniel 4:17 says that **“the Most High is ruler over the realm of mankind,** And bestows it on whom He wishes, And sets over it the lowliest of men.

The Most High Rules in the Affairs of Men

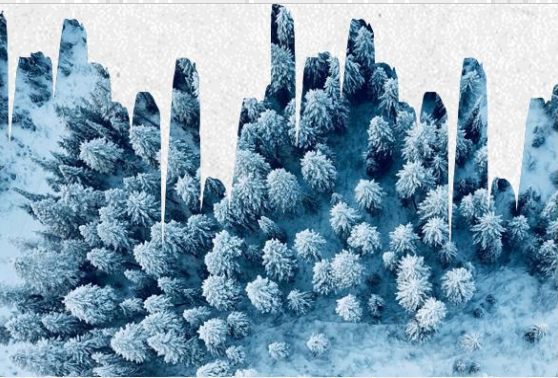
Nebuchadnezzar thought he was powerful but when his cup was full, God gave him the punishment he deserved:

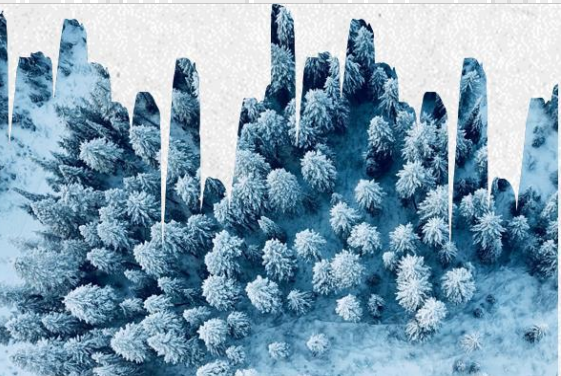
Daniel 4

²⁹ 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?”

³¹ 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 (7 years) 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.**”

³³ 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. ³⁴ 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?”

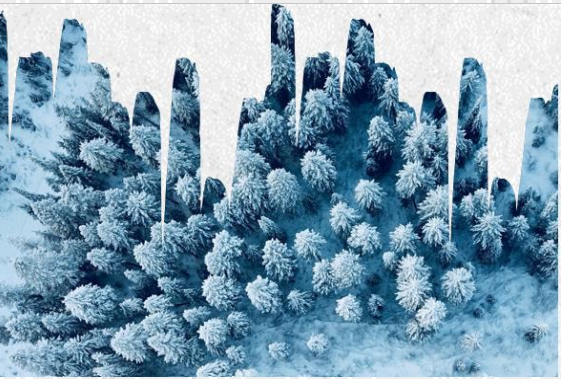
Brethren, “ARE YOU AFTER GOD’S HEART?”

In 1 Samuel 13, Samuel said to Saul:

¹⁴ But now your kingdom shall not continue. The LORD has sought for Himself a man after His own heart, and the LORD has commanded him *to be* commander over His people, because you have not kept what the LORD commanded you.”

Acts 13:22

²² After removing Saul, God made David their king. God testified concerning him: 'I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.'



**Brethren, to make God come as “the Lord Almighty”, God says
“ARE YOU AFTER GOD’S HEART?”**

No matter the pressures of life, let our goal be to be after God’s heart.

God Bless You!