

EXCELLENCE IN EXILE, PART 3

# DIVINE WISDOM FOR STRUGGLING NEIGHBORS

Daniel 2:1-30

*God's faithful people can help connect faithless people to God.*

## **What it looks like when people around us face life with WORLDLY wisdom (1-13)**

Some of our neighbors may be consumed with worry, anxiety, and insecurity. (1)

Some of our neighbors may seek professional help for their deepest troubles. (2-4)

Some of our neighbors may become suspicious of the world's best experts. (5-9)

Some of our neighbors may hear the world's experts admit their own limitations. (10-11)

Some of our neighbors may grow increasingly insecure and perhaps even violent. (12-13)

## **What it looks like when God's people help others face life with DIVINE wisdom (14-30)**

Because God is *gracious*, his people can approach a neighbor's crisis with wisdom and tact. (14-15)

Because God is *missional*, his people can view a neighbor's crisis with a sense of divine purpose. (16)

Because God is *all-knowing*, his people can take a neighbor's crisis to him in prayer. (17-19a)

Because God is *sovereign*, his people can praise him in the midst of any crisis. (19b-23)

Because God is *revealing*, his people can offer wisdom for a neighbor's crisis when needed. (24-28a)

Because God is *good*, his people can serve neighbors in crisis even if they believe differently. (28b-30)