



## A FIRM HOPE AND SURE SONG DANIEL 2

### Section 1: Irony in Daniel's Exile (1:21—2:4)

### Section 2: Futility in a Rising Flood (2:5-16)

### Section 3: A Firm Hope and Sure Song (2:17-24)

### Section 4: Revelation and Resolutions (2:25-45)

### Section 5: Accepting Positions of Influence in Babylon (2:46-49)

## Worship in Babylon

“I want to join in the preparation of this (Lady Wisdom’s) nourishing feast. So, in the cool blue light of morning, I’ll imitate my mother and the many generations of women in the line of Lady Wisdom. I’ll subdue my heart in quietness, I’ll fear the Lord, I’ll eat the satisfying food of good living. And hopefully, in time, I too can become a host at Lady wisdom’s table.”

~ Joy Clarkson  
*The Feast of Lady Wisdom*

“On Christ the solid rock I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand.”  
~ Edward Mote (1834)

## Going Deeper

(For individual or small groups to go deeper with the passage)

1. Read Daniel chapter 2. Who are the main characters? What roles do they play?
2. Based on this account, what words would you use to describe the king, the king’s advisors, Daniel (and the guys), and God?
3. The author of the book of Daniel intended for this account to provide something needed for God’s people to live faithfully in a mostly “God-less” society. What are some ideas the author conveys? Do you need to hear these in your life?
4. Where do you see the end of “Babylonian” thinking? When it comes to fully knowing life, the future, and who we are and God is, what is needed?
5. How does this story challenge you or comfort you?
6. Spiritual Exercise: Reflect on what gave Daniel the confidence to sing worship while in exile. Read the “song” a few times in Daniel 2:20-23. How is God encouraging you to live firmly and faithfully in your experience of “exile”? How can you act in faith?