

SMALL GROUP Q'S

Surprising Strength

April 24, 2016

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- 1.) Imagine you were in Daniel's shoes when the captain of the king's guard came to your house with a sword. How would you have felt, and what would have been the first couple of things you thought to do?

- 2.) How have you experienced the reality of something outwardly impressive (Magnus Samuelsson) that actually had limited strength OR something outwardly unimpressive (Svend Steensgard) with remarkable strength?

- 3.) Describe what your own kingdom looks like when you pursue it. What are the important things that are always a part of your personal kingdom? How do you respond when they don't function the way they are supposed to in your perfect world that you can control?

- 4.) Read Daniel's prayer in verses 20-23 together. What is most comforting to you about what we learn about God in this prayer?

- 5.) Will said, "When we pretend we are the strong ones, our friends and neighbors are offered the hope merely of being more like us. But when we admit we are weak, our friends and neighbors are offered the comfort of us being like them and the hope of one strong enough for all of us to depend on." What does it look like to share your weakness with a friend or neighbor?

- 6.) Talk about the image of the stone that becomes a mountain that grows to fill the whole earth. How does it encourage you? How does it help you as you consider your prayer life?



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