Daniel 5 October 12, 2025

Read Daniel 5:1-12 and answer questions 1-5 on page 86 in the Be Resolute book.

Additional

questions:

- 1. In verses 1-2, was Belshazzar a real king of Babylon?
- 2. In verses 2-4, what did Belshazzar think of God as evidenced by drinking wine from the temple gold vessels and praising other gods?
- 3. In verse 7, Belshazzar promised to make the handwriting interpreter the third ruler. Who were the first and second rulers?

Babylonians rulers from King Nebuchadnezzar to Daniel 5 events

- 43 year reign of Nebuchadnezzar, died in 562 BC
- 2 year reign of Evil-Merodach (Nebuchadnezzar's son)
- 4 year reign of Neriglisar (killed Evil-Merodach, who was his brother-in-law)
- 9 month reign of Laborosoardoch (Neriglisar's son who was a young boy)
- 17 year reign of Nabonidus (appointed after Laborosoardoch was beaten to death)

Nabonidus was most likely married to a daughter of King Nebuchadnezzar or a former wife of King Nebuchadnezzar from 6 years earlier)

- 4. In verse 10, who is the gueen and why would she recommend Daniel?
- 5. In verse 12, why would Belshazzar not have summoned Daniel before?

Homework for October 19, 2025: Read Daniel 5:13-31 and pages 80-85 in the Be Resolute book by Warren Wiersbe. Answer questions 6-10 on pages 86-87.