

DANIEL 5:1-31 By Louis Powell

### FIRST FACTS

The connection between Daniel 4 and 5 is Nebuchadnezzar's 7 years \_\_\_\_\_\_\_for his pride. This information is shared by Daniel to a different king, Belshazzar.

We must search all scripture to match prophecy to its fulfillment. For this session we will exercise the "line upon line" instructions in matching scriptures and prophecies to their fulfillment.

### VERSES 1-2

How many lords did Belshazzar have at his great feast?

Belshazzar was not really the son of Nebuchadnezzar. He was a \_\_\_\_\_\_.

The golden and silver vessels that Belshazzar used were from the \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jerusalem.

# VERSES 3-4

Belshazzar used the vessels to praise \_\_\_\_\_\_ gods of gold, silver, brass, iron, wood, stone.

# ISAIAH 44:27, 28; 45:1, 2

Rivers will be dried up; Jerusalem will be built and the	of the temple will be laid.

What is the name of the person this letter is written to?

How many years before Babylon was conquered did Isaiah write this letter to Cyrus?

What relationship is Esther to Cyrus?

What was the relationships between Darius the Mede and Cyrus?

# VERSES 5-11

What information did Belshazzar get from his wise advisors?

Who wanted Belshazzar to call for Daniel to come?



#### **VERSES 12-16**

What position of the kingdom did Belshazzar offer to Daniel for its interpretation?

### **VERSES 17-23**

 Who gave Nebuchadnezzar the kingdom?

 What did peoples, nations and languages do because of Nebuchadnezzar?

 Belshazzar knew about the lesson God gave Nebuchadnezzar. He did not \_\_\_\_\_\_ himself.

#### **VERSES 24-28**

What is the meaning of TeKeL?

What year did Cyrus conquer Babylon?

### **VERSES 29-31**

How long did Darius the Mede rule Babylon?

Who was in control of fulfilling the 70 years of captive prophecy for the Jews?

(Ref.: Adam Clarke, Karl Keil, Warren Wiersbe, J. Vernon McGee, Chuck Missler, Finis Dake, David Stern, Ancient Christian Commentary, Matthew Henry, Herodotus, Encyclopedia Britannica 1910)



The chapters of Daniel are not all in chronological order.
Chronological Order
1 Babylonian Captivity 606 B.C.
2 Nebuchadnezzar's Dream 602 B.C.
3 Nebuchadnezzar's Image
4 Nebuchadnezzar's Pride
7 The vision of the 4 beasts 556 B.C.
8 Ram and He-goat vision 554 B.C.
5 Babylon falls to Persians 539 B.C.
9 Vision of seventy weeks 538 B.C.
6 The Lions' Den
10 -12 Closing visions

# **Key Dates**

- 726 Assyrians conquer and take captive Northern Israel
- 612 B.C.: Nineveh (Assyrian) falls to an alliance of Babylon and Media.
- 609 B.C.: Pharaoh Necho leads army against Assyria. Josiah fights Necho and gets killed (2 Chr 35:20-24).
- 606 B.C.: Battle of Carchemesh: Nebuchadnezzar vs. Pharaoh Necho W bank of Euphrates (Jer 46:1-6). Jehoikim is captured (2 Chr 36:5-8).

# Siege #1

- 603 B.C.: 1st Siege of Jerusalem: Jehoikim released as a vassal; Daniel and 3 friends taken as hostages. Siege #2
- 598 B.C.: Jehoikim dies after 5 year battle (Jer 22:17-19). His son, Jehiachin ("Jeconiah"), reigns until the siege is over (Jer 22:24-30).
- Jeconiah is captured along with 10,000 captives, including Ezekiel (Ezek 1:1-3;
- 2 Kgs 24:8-20; 2 Chr 36:6-10), 1000 skilled artisans; etc. (2 Kgs 24:1-4).
- 597 B.C.: Zedekiah, Jehoikim's uncle, installed as vassal king at Jerusalem.
- 586 B.C.: Jerusalem temple destroyed; Zedekiah blinded and taken to Babylon.

Answers: Punishment, 1000, grandson, temple, pagan, foundation, Cyrus, 200, grandmother, uncle and father-in-law, none, the queen, third, God, tremble, humble, weighed, 539 B.C., 2 years, God