

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: Daniel found himself living in a culture not unlike ours. It was a world of rapid change, moral compromise, and pressure to conform. He found himself face to face with a series of future-defining decisions: compromise his values or stand for his convictions. His character, courage and convictions resulted in a reliable roadmap for the church today.

How do we maintain conviction in a culture of compromise?

Communion → Conviction → Character → Courage → Change

Daniel 5:1-31 (ESV)

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The Writing on the Wall:

- **MENE MENE:** Your Days are Numbered Psalm 90:12 (ESV)
Are you living each day with Purpose?
- **TEKEL:** You have been weighed in the balances, and found wanting 2 Cor. 5:10 (ESV)
Is their ‘substance’ in your life – specifically the Character of Christ?
- **PARSIN:** Your kingdom will be divided – and taken from you Matthew 6:33 (ESV)
Are you living for God’s Kingdom or your kingdom?

Devotion to Jesus is the place where the human heart is most satisfied.

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week’s message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) Do you agree that The Church exists to help people interpret “The Writing on the Wall?” Explain.
- 3) Read Psalm 90:12. How are you living each day with purpose, as if they are truly numbered?
- 4) Read 2 Corinthians 5:10. If you were to step onto a “Jesus substance” scale right now, how much Christlike Character would be counted in you?
- 5) Read Matthew 6:33. Are you living for God’s Kingdom or for your kingdom? Explain.