

What was King Nebuchadnezzar's dream?

Dan 2: 5 The king replied to the Chaldeans, "The command from me is firm: if you do not make known to me the dream and its interpretation, you will be torn limb from limb and your houses will be made a rubbish heap. 6 "But if you declare the dream and its interpretation, you will receive from me gifts and a reward and great honor; therefore declare to me the dream and its interpretation." 7 They answered a second time and said, "Let the king tell the dream to his servants, and we will declare the interpretation." 8 The king replied, "I know for certain that you are bargaining for time

What did he mean 'bargaining for time'?

- When time was available to both, they took from King for themselves so they would live
- King could never get that time back.

You see this in ballgames – explain? "running out the clock"?

They are 'redeeming the time' solely for their control to gain an advantage.

Consider what bible translator (*New Test. In Modern Eng.*) John Phillips - **We are stewards of our time. /Time is a nonrenewable resource. It slips past us at an alarming rate. Once it's gone, it's gone. It can/ never be recalled. We invest each fleeting moment with something even if it is only idleness. "Redeem the time," says Paul. Suppose that a wealthy man were to give someone \$1440 a day to spend. He had to spend it. The gift did not allow him to save it, still less to hoard it. At the end of each day what was not spent was lost. The same sum would arrive every day until the end of life. Then an accounting would be made of what the recipient had done with the sum. There it was \$1440 a day to spend or squander, to be used buying things for oneself or in helping**