

Writing on the Wall

Materials

- ☐ White board or butcher paper attached to the wall
- ☐ Markers for the white board or crayons for butcher paper
- ☐ 14 small pieces of paper per team
- ☐ Optional: small box or container for each team

Instructions

For each team, write the message “God is sovereign,” putting one letter on each small piece of paper and numbering them. Draw a line(s) on the white board to make separate sections for each team to write their message or attach pieces of butcher paper to the wall. Have markers or crayons ready.

At the other end of the room, divide students into teams and have them line up. Stack the message papers (or put into a box or container) in number order for each team and place near the front of each line. When you say go, the first students in line will run to the paper stack, draw the first piece off the top (being careful not to mess up the number order), race to the white board or butcher paper and write the letter from their piece of paper. Then they'll leave the marker or crayon there and race back to tag the next player in line. Continue until one team finishes writing all the letters of the message in the correct order.

Suggested Discussion

- ? What message did we write on the wall (or white board)? *God is sovereign.*
- ? What does sovereign mean? *God is in control of everything.*

King Belshazzar did not honor God as the one who controls everything. Belshazzar was very proud and felt that he was greater than anyone else—even the Lord. Then when he used God’s special cups to worship false gods, that’s when God sent Belshazzar a message. His punishment for his pride would come very soon. And it did that same night. Belshazzar was killed, and his kingdom was taken over.