

*DANIEL 5:1-23 ~ January 31, 2021*

Why do you suppose the Holy Spirit saw fit to not have an obituary or any information really provided about Nebuchadnezzar's passing? How might this omission help us understand the purpose of Daniel's book?

In fact, Belshazzar was not literally Nebuchadnezzar's son, but a descendant. Use Google, an encyclopedia, or a Bible commentary to try to find out what the exchange of power looked like between chapters 4 and 5. Why do you think Daniel skipped all that?

Compare what you know about Nebuchadnezzar's rule with what you learned about Belshazzar's. Why is it so staggering that Belshazzar was so proud?

Compare Daniel's greetings toward Nebuchadnezzar versus how he greets Belshazzar. Why do you think they are so different?

Belshazzar should have learned from Nebuchadnezzar's mistakes. What other Scriptures can you think of that teach us to learn from the lives of others?

Look carefully at Daniel's words. Why is it significant that a hand was manifested on the wall?

How does the gospel help you find hope in this passage?

### *Psalm 79*

We will be highlighting one Psalm per week during our music liturgy

**Read the Psalm and consider the following questions.**

*What does this Psalm teach us about God?*

*What does this Psalm teach us about ourselves?*

*How does this Psalm show us our need for a savior?*

*How does this Psalm lead us toward hope in God?*

*How should/can we pray in light of this Psalm?*