



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

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Daniel 5:1-31

“You Have Not Humbled Your Heart”

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

1. ICEBREAKER - This biblical narrative gives us the origin for the phrase “the writing on the wall.” What are some of your favorite examples of foreshadowing in movies, books, and TV?
2. In this narrative, we encounter Belshazzar (one of Nebuchadnezzar’s successors). What are some similarities and differences between Belshazzar in Daniel 5 and his predecessor’s experience in Daniel 4?
3. Tony quotes Alistair Begg in stating that “every pastoral challenge...can in the end be traced to one thing: Pride.” What are some evidences of pride we see in Belshazzar in Daniel 5?
 - o How do we see pride manifested in our lives?
 - o How does pride function as the root of other areas of disobedience in our thoughts, words, and actions?
4. How do we confront pride biblically whenever we see evidence of it in our lives? How do you confront pride in the life of a fellow believer?
5. Belshazzar’s issue was not one of ignorance but one of arrogance – he had the correct information but failed in application. How are we in danger of falling into this same mindset in our context?
 - o How can we cultivate a soft heart toward the Lord and His word?
6. In this chapter, what did God do to humble Belshazzar in light of his persistent arrogance?
 - o What are some of the means the Lord uses, in His grace, to wake us up from the foolishness of our sin?
7. Without Christ, we are all weighed and found wanting. How does Daniel 5 help point us to the only hope we have through Jesus? What is our response to Him, in light of this passage?