



Application Objective

Students will learn from the wrong things others do and will not repeat them.

Materials Needed

See Quick Instructions for normal materials.

Helpful Information

Cyrus, the Persian king, conquered Babylon and put Darius in charge.

Other Scriptures

1. King Nebuchadnezzar, when he conquered Jerusalem, took all the furnishings from God's temple to Babylon.
—Daniel 1:1-2
2. Stories of Old Testament people are written for our instruction.—1 Corinthians 10:11; 2 Peter 2:6

Memory Workout

1. Underline in your Bible, then fill the circle.
☐ **Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon** (Daniel 1:1)
☐ **Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego** (Daniel 1:7)
2. Find. Write the book, chapter and verse in the blank.
 a. God promises to bless Abraham
Gen 22:17-18
 b. God promises to bless Isaac
Gen 26:3-4
 c. God promises to bless Jacob
Gen 28:13-14

Answers: a) Lesson 14 b) Lesson 14 c) Lesson 14

Remember It?

1. Circle each picture that shows something Joseph's brothers did.
2. Trace a **T** if the sentence is true and an **F** if it is false: After the three Jews were brought out of the furnace, King Nebuchadnezzar said God had rescued them.
3. In the gray circles, number the pictures in the correct order to show what happened to King Nebuchadnezzar. The first one is done for you.
4. Underline the word that completes the sentence correctly: God punished King Nebuchadnezzar and made him act like an animal because of the king's ____.

Answers: 1) Gen 37:24; 37:28; 42:6; 44:1-2 2) Dan 3:28 3) Dan 4:30-32, 34, 36-37 4) Dan 4:29-30, 37

1 sold

2 stole

3 God!

4 riches

5 pride

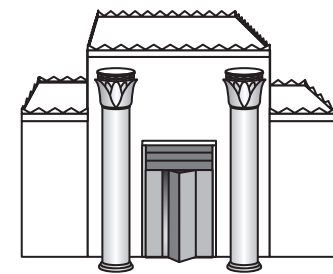
6 pets

7 food

8 dreams

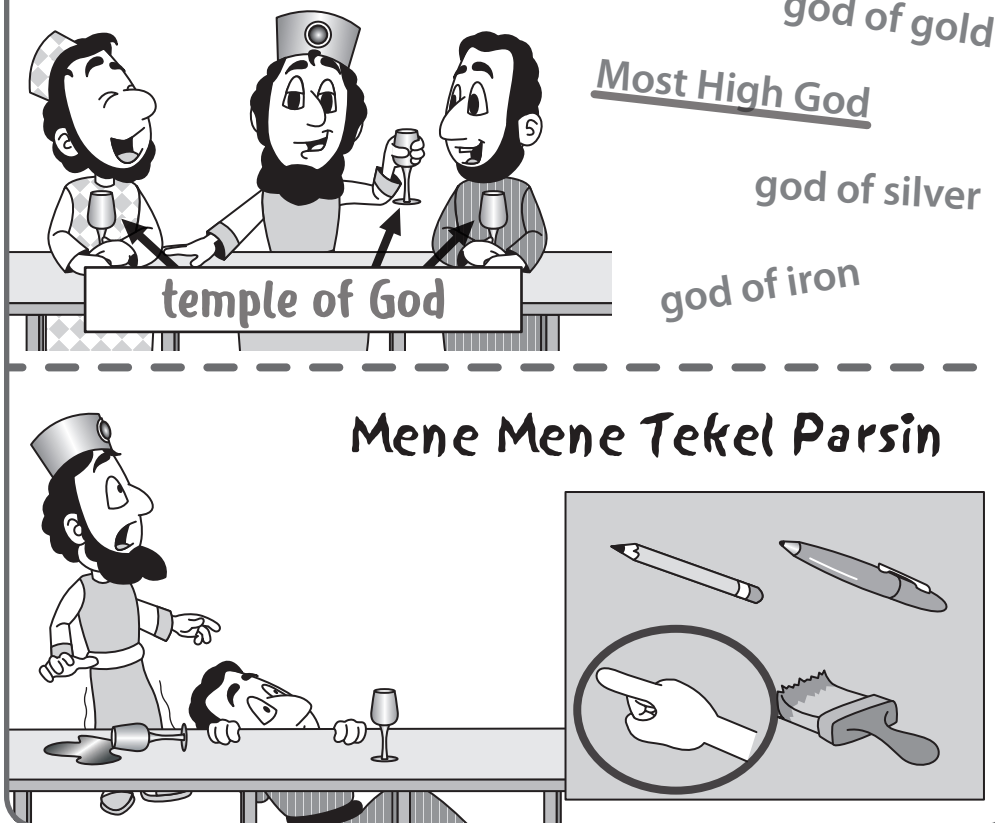
Guess What...

The **temple** was built in Jerusalem by King Solomon, the son of David, and was destroyed by the Babylonians. The temple was a special building where the Israelites worshiped God. It replaced a tent called the tabernacle that was made when Moses lived. When the Israelites prayed, they faced toward the temple.



Nabonidus, king of Babylon, left his son **Belshazzar** in charge of the kingdom while he was gone. For this reason, Daniel was made the third highest ruler. Belshazzar is called Nebuchadnezzar's "son" because he was a king after him.

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1. Summary of Daniel 5:1-6: After King Nebuchadnezzar died, Belshazzar became king of Babylon. He had a big feast, and he and his officials drank wine out of the gold and silver cups that Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple of God in Jerusalem. While they drank, they praised the gods of gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood and stone. Suddenly, a hand appeared and wrote in the plaster on the wall. The king was so frightened that his knees knocked together!

King Belshazzar, who was a king after Nebuchadnezzar, drank from the golden cups that belonged in what building? Name it in the box. Underline the god King Belshazzar did not praise. In the shaded box, circle what wrote on the wall.

2



2. Summary of 5:7-9: King Belshazzar called his wise men together and said, "Whoever reads this writing will become the third highest ruler in the kingdom." However, none of the wise men could read it.

Read 5:10-12. Fill in the blanks. In the white box, label the person who suggested Daniel.

5:13-24

3

Keep your
idols pride gifts

Daniel

Your father was proud

My power

then →

*(Pictures may vary.
Show the king
going crazy
and/or
eating grass.)*

until →

God

Daniel 5:22 But you, Belshazzar, his son, have not humbled yourself, though you knew all this.

Why?
Answers may vary.

God

3. Read 5:13-24. Circle what Daniel told King Belshazzar to keep. In the box, draw what happened to King Nebuchadnezzar when he became proud. Who did Nebuchadnezzar realize was the ruler over everyone? Name him in the bubble. Read the verse in the picture. On the arm, write who held Belshazzar (and holds you) in his hand. **Why** is this picture so ridiculous? (See verse 23.)

5:25-28

4

3,2,1,0

Mene Answers may vary. You don't have much time left.

Tekel You have been bad.

Parsin Your kingdom will fall and be divided.

4. Read 5:25-28. Match the picture with the word. In your own words, write what each word meant. Make each meaning easy to understand.

5:29-30

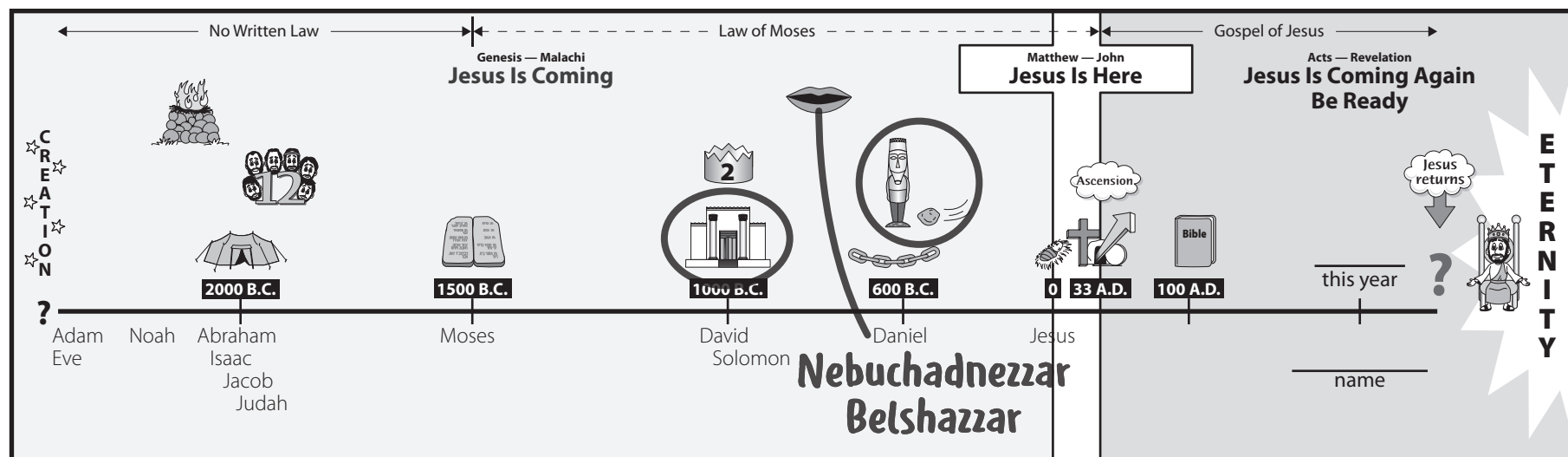
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*(purple clothes,
gold chain,
third highest ruler)*

Why?
Answers may vary.

Darius

5. Read 5:29-30. Draw Daniel's reward. **Why** do you think the gifts did not matter to him? What happened to King Belshazzar? In the box, name the new king of Babylon.



Time Line

1. Write this year and your name in the blanks.
2. Draw a line from the prophet lips (above 700 B.C.) to a man who was a prophet.
3. Circle the temple King Solomon built about 1000 B.C.
4. At the correct time, write the name of the king who destroyed the temple and took the people of Judah as captives to Babylonia (Daniel 1:1).
5. Name the king of Babylon who was killed and replaced by the Medes and Persians.
6. Circle the dream Nebuchadnezzar had that told about the kingdoms which would come after Babylon (Daniel 2:36-45).

Wall Map 1

1. Locate Babylon (15).
2. Label Media in green, along the lower edge of the Caspian Sea.
3. Label Persia in green, on the northeast edge of the Persian Gulf.

Wall Time Line

Place Belshazzar below 538 B.C.

Get Active

Send two students out of the room. Choose a large object in the room to be "home." Choose eight other large objects to be "bombs."

Bring both students in and tell them they are in a dangerous minefield, and to get home, they must touch the correct object. If they touch two bombs, they are out. (Everyone can shout, "Boom!") After the first student has tried (and probably failed), see if the second student learns from the first one's failure or success.

If there is one student, let the student go through the minefield twice or more and see if they learn from their previous mistakes.

Apply It!

- Read Daniel 5:18-22. Did Belshazzar know what God had done to Nebuchadnezzar? Why had Nebuchadnezzar been punished? Did Belshazzar learn from the things Nebuchadnezzar did wrong?
 - What is God saying to you for your life? Answer using the word "I" or "me."
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- Have you ever done something wrong even though you saw someone else make the same mistake and get into trouble? Why did you not learn from them? What bad choices have people made that you want to avoid? What did God's Son Jesus do when he was tempted to do wrong (Matthew 4:10)?
 - Talk to God about what he has taught you in this lesson.