



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

1. Nabonidus, then the king of Babylon, left his son **Belshazzar** in charge of the kingdom while he was gone. This is why Daniel was made the third highest ruler (Daniel 5:7, 29). Belshazzar was called Nebuchadnezzar's "son" because he was a king after Nebuchadnezzar.
2. 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

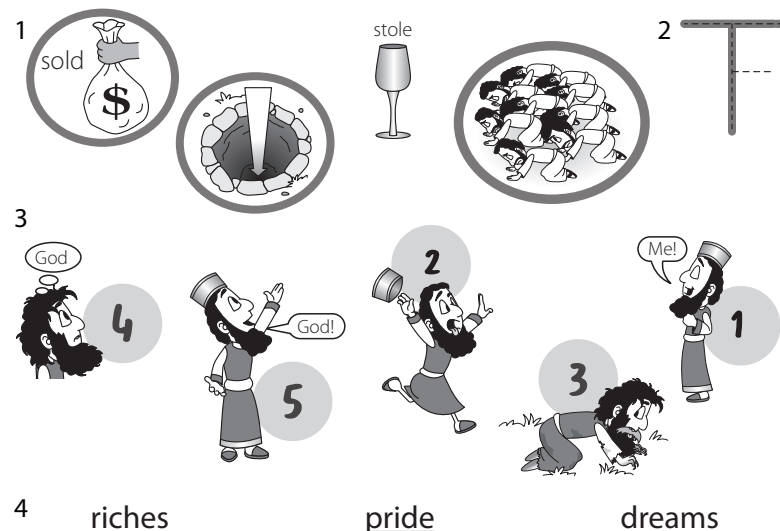
1. Name the first four New Testament books. These books are in the division (*History Gospels Letters*). See Appendix B.
2. Draw a line under **Daniel** in your Bible (Daniel 1:7).
3. Fill the box with red when you find each one in your Bible.
☐ Genesis 2:22 ☐ Revelation 22:19
☐ Joseph ☐ The scepter will not depart from Judah

Answers: Joseph (Lesson 4), The scepter (Lesson 14)

Remember It?

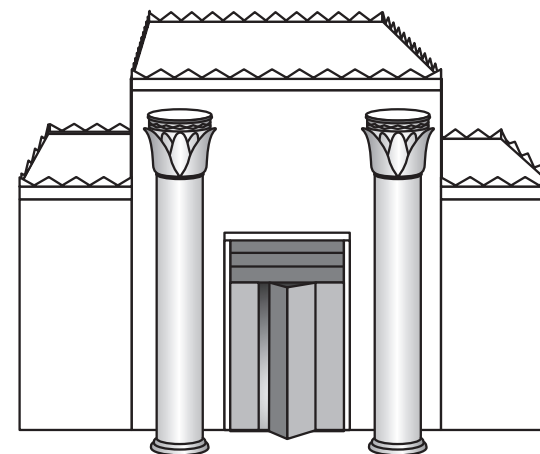
1. Circle each picture that shows something Joseph's brothers did.
2. Trace a **T** if the sentence is true and an **F** if it is false: After the three Jews were brought out of the furnace, King Nebuchadnezzar said God had rescued them.
3. In the gray circles, number the pictures in the correct order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



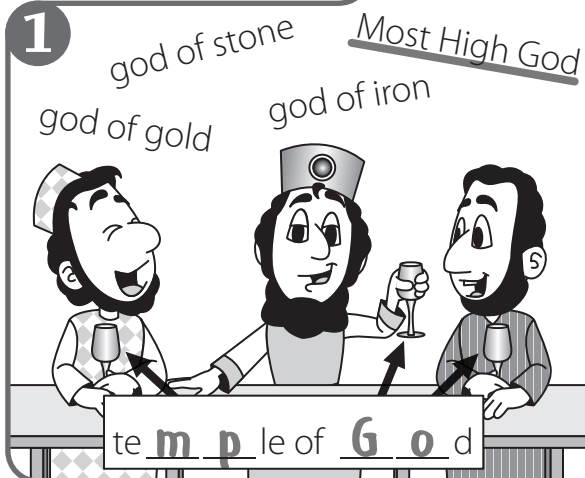
Guess What...

The **temple** was God's special building where the Israelites worshiped God and offered sacrifices. King David's son Solomon built the first temple. When the Israelites prayed, they would face the temple.



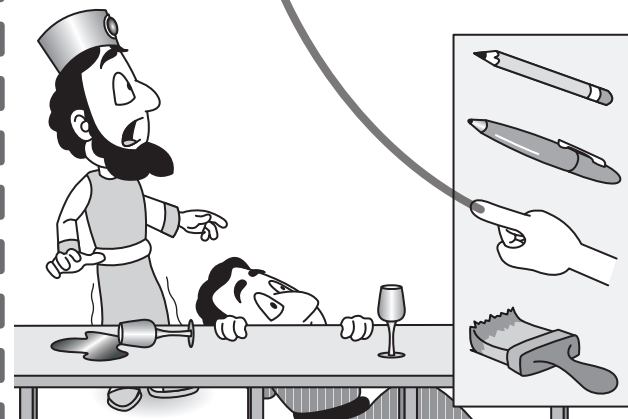
Discover the Bible

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Dan 5:1-6

Mene Mene Tekel Parsin



1. Summary of Daniel 5:1-6: After King Nebuchadnezzar died, Belshazzar became king of Babylon. He had a big feast. 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!

Where did the gold cups belong? Fill in the blanks. Underline the god that Belshazzar did not praise. Draw a line from the writing on the wall to the thing that wrote it.

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5:7-12

Whoever reads the writing will be (1st 2nd 3rd 4th) highest ruler in the kingdom.

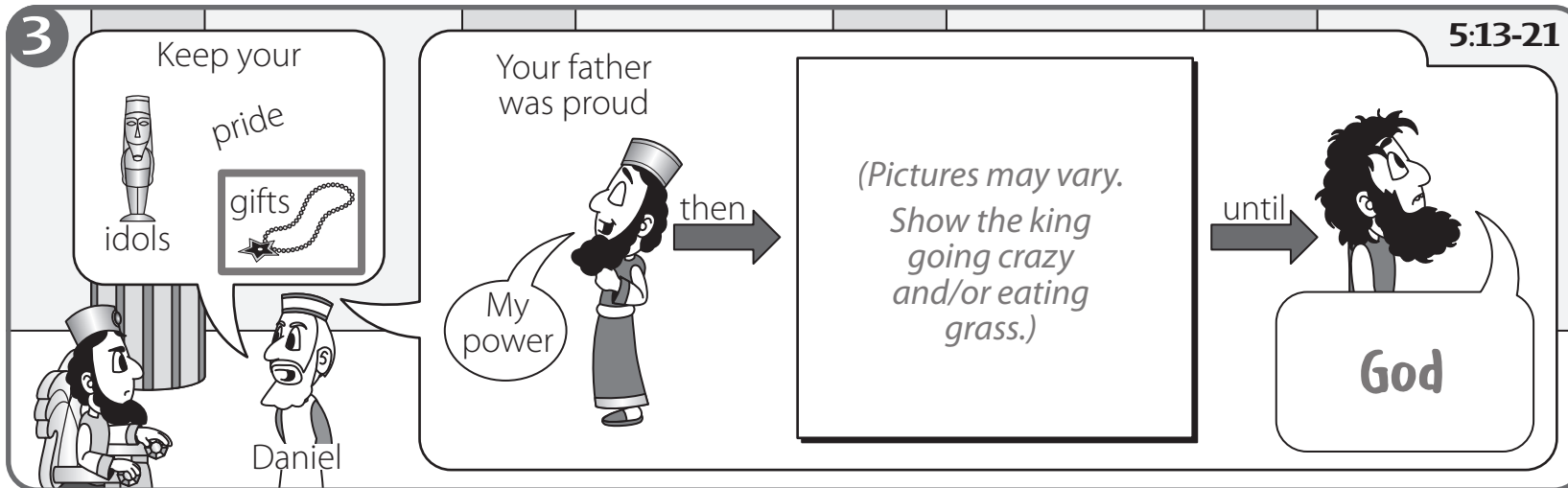


2. Summary of 5:7-9: King Belshazzar called his wise men together and said, "Whoever reads this writing will become the third highest ruler in the kingdom." However, none of the wise men could read it.

Read 5:10-12. Circle the answer in parentheses and fill in the blanks.


3

5:13-21




3. Read 5:13-21. Draw a box around what Daniel told King Belshazzar to keep. In the box, draw what happened to King Nebuchadnezzar when he became proud. Who did Nebuchadnezzar say ruled over everyone? Write it in the bubble.

4 **5:22-24**





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

gods of wood, bronze and gold



God

5 **5:25-28**

Mene

Tekel

Parsin

3,2,1,0

Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians.

Your days are numbered and coming to an end.

You have been weighed on the scales and you don't measure up.

4. Read 5:22-24. Read the verse in the picture. On the arm, write who held Belshazzar (and holds you) in his hand.

5. Read 5:25-28. Draw lines connecting the correct words and pictures. For "Mene," use blue. For "Tekel," use brown. For "Parsin," use red.

6 **5:29**



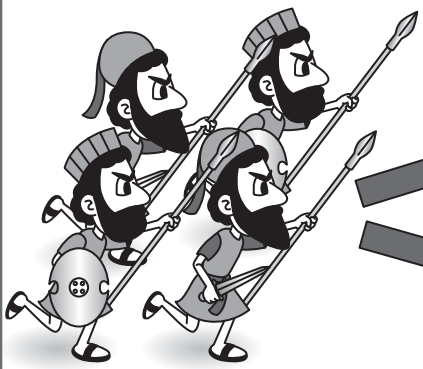
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7 **5:30**



Medes & Persians



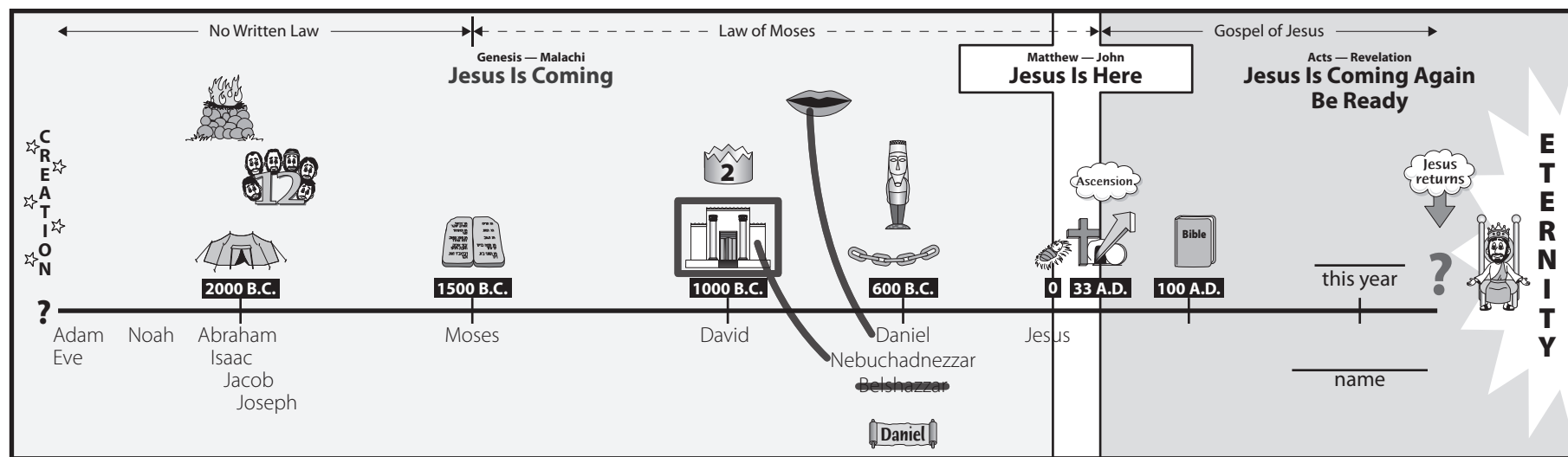
Belshazzar



Darius

6. Read 5:29. Color what Daniel was given. Trace the number that shows Daniel's place in the kingdom.

7. Read 5:30. Draw an X on the king who was killed by the Medes and Persians. Draw a box around the new king in 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. Draw a box around the temple Solomon built around 1000 B.C.
4. Draw a line from the temple to the king who destroyed it and took the people of Judah as captives to Babylonia (Daniel 1:1).
5. Draw a line through the king who was killed and replaced by the Medes and Persians.

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!" when they touch a bomb.) 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! *learning from others' wrongs*

Read Daniel 5:18-22.

- One day at band practice, two of Matt's friends got into a fight. They were suspended from band for two weeks, and they got in big trouble at home. A few weeks later, a kid at band practice made fun of Matt. Tell the rest of the story.
- In the Bible story, who did not learn from what another person did wrong?
- What does God want you to do when you see other people doing wrong? Did God's Son Jesus do wrong when the people around him did (Mark 15:3-5)? What did Jesus do when he was tempted (Matthew 4:10)?
- Ask God to help you see the bad things others do and learn from them. Ask him to help you not do the same kinds of things.