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We ignore the past to our peril

It's been 23 years since Nebuchadnezzar was king (died 562 BC).
The year is 539 BC and Belshazzar rules as regent to his father Nabonidus.

*Will the new king heed the lesson of Nebuchadnezzar?
And if he doesn't what will God do?*

1. God terrifies the proud (vv. 1–16)

Daniel is now an old man, likely in his 80s

2. God reveals their culpability (vv. 17–23)

Without excuse (like us - Rom 1:20–21)

3. God judges the guilty (vv. 24–31)

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A dollar, a dollar, two cents, and 50 cents
Numbered, Numbered, Weighed, Divided

Rulers: Be Humble and honour God

Believers: Be Confident and trust God Rules

**If you're interested in seeing where the Bible got it right before history knew, google the
Cylinders of Nabonidus*