

Emmanuel Prayer List - October

Bolduc's Ministry in France (Pierre & Jeanine)

- God's direction/wisdom as Pierre will be ministering full time at Chelles Church.
- Jeanine, Pierre's wife, would like wisdom to support the ministry.
- Praise God for a successful visit to Canada, visiting many churches.
- Pray for Jeanine as she is on a leave of absence for her health, rest and renewal.
- Strength for children Anne-Sophie, Matthew, and Joel attending University and working.

Study Continued

7. Read verses 24-30. What did the writing on the wall mean?

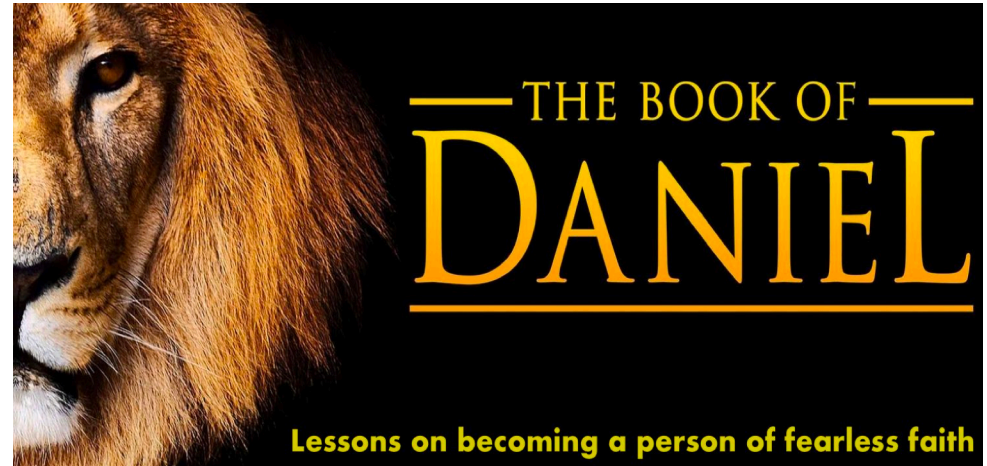
What was the result for Belshazzar (v.30)?

One day we will all stand before the judgement seat of God, and our lives will be numbered and weighed on the scales, so to speak. Will we be found wanting? Will our lives match up the standard that God expects?

Read Romans 3:3; Romans 3:23; John 3:16; 2 Cor 5:21; 1 John 1:9; 2 Peter 3:9.

Jesus is coming back, based on these verses, what has Jesus done to make our lives acceptable in His sight on judgement day?

8. Read again 2 Peter 3:10-13; Psalm 78:1-8; Deut 11:18-21. The writing is on the wall, it's just a matter of time, Jesus will come back. As Christians we are forgiven of our sins, but we are still called to live godly and holy lives, with a responsibility to the next generation, to teach them how to have a relationship with God. With this in mind what kind of lives ought we to live? How can we live lives that make a difference in the world?



*Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold,
but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.*

Matthew 24:12-13

1. Learn to stand alone - Daniel 1
2. Finding Peace and Wisdom - Daniel 2:1-28
3. Living for the purposes of God - Daniel 2:29-49
4. Becoming Faithful - Daniel 3
5. Humble Yourself - Daniel 4
6. **Heed the warnings - Daniel 5**
7. Be a person of integrity - Daniel 6:1-15
8. You don't need to survive - Daniel 6:13-28
9. Jesus is coming again - Daniel 7-8
10. The end of times - Daniel 9-11
11. Is your name in the book? - Daniel 12

Heed the Warnings - Daniel 5

2 Peter 3:10-13 The day of the Lord will come like a _____

The writing is on the wall =

BACKGROUND (v.1-4)

King Belshazzar:

Why he felt secure:

1 Corinthians 10:12 So, if you think you are standing firm _____

What does Jesus say about the love of many in the last days (Matt 24:12-13):

Signs of spiritual erosion in our lives:

THE WARNING

v.5-6 What caused Belshazzar's distress?

Eventually Daniel was called to read the writing on the wall, but before he did, he gave Belshazzar a history lesson (v.18-21):

v.22 But you his son, O Belshazzar, have not humbled yourself though you _____

Prov 22:6 What does it mean to train up a child in the way he should go?

Mene =

Tekel =

Parsin =

Belshazzar's response:

v.30 That very night...

THE PROMISE

2 Peter 3:9

2 Peter 3:15 Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means _____

1. Read 2 Peter 3:8-13. What is the first thing that comes to your mind when you read this?

Do you think that most Christians live their life in light of eternity? Explain. (Also read Col 3:1-3)

2. Read Daniel 5:1-6. Why do you think Belshazzar asked his servants to get those particular goblets? In what ways do people today, 'thumb their nose' at God?

3. What do you think was going through Belshazzar's mind when he saw the hand start to write on the wall? Do you think that he linked it to the God that he was being disrespectful to?

4. Belshazzar sought out the "wise men" of Babylon first, but they couldn't read the writing, or understand its meaning. Do you have a tendency to make decisions, big or small, without first seeking the will of God? If so, why?

5. Read v.10-12. The Queen heard the commotion, and advised Belshazzar to ask Daniel to come. You can tell from her words that she had respect for Daniel and his beliefs. We need people around us who will point us to God. This is why we encourage you to be in a small group, because you will have people around you who will point you towards God when you're going through a struggle. Is there someone in your life who gives you godly advice? How have you seen that influence you?

6. Read Daniel 5:17-23. Daniel didn't want Belshazzar's gifts, and the first thing he did was to give Belshazzar a history lesson on what happened to Nebuchadnezzar, and why. He then points out that Belshazzar (who is probably Nebuchadnezzar's grandson) had known all this and yet didn't learn from it, and humble himself. Sadly there are many children, and grandchildren, of Christians who have heard the word of God, but aren't following Christ. Why do you think this is?