

	Daniel 4 - 5	New Testament	Today
God's Authority	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Nebuchadnezzar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Wilderness – Acceptance / restoration •Belshazzar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Utter disrespect – No hint or repentance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Peter <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Healing of the crippled beggar •Paul <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – “No authority except that which God has established” •Jesus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – “...yet not my will but yours be done.” 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •God values humbleness, obedience and acknowledgement •“Do not think of yourselves more highly than you ought”
Universal choice - acceptance or rejection of God	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Nebuchadnezzar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Unlikely candidate – God loves him and invests •Belshazzar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Symbolic of millions – Futility of his life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Paul <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Unlikely candidate – God sees through •Jerusalem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Jesus' grief 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Not for us to judge •God sees through, loves and invests – endless capacity •We need to be <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Patient and loving of all – Grieving for Belshazzar