

“Our God is Sovereign Over the Nations”

(Sunday Morning July 7th, 2024)

Passage: Daniel 5:1-12

Dan 2:34 “You continued looking until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and crushed them”

Acts 17:26 “and (God) He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation”

When the Prophet is removed from the public discussion, and the word of God is m_____ or removed, the results are always tragic.

I. An Astonishing I _____ Was Given to the Men of State

1) The S _____ of This Feast

In order to acquire the throne, Nabonidus married one of Nebuchadnezzar’s daughters, and he made her son a C _____.

2) The S _____ of This Feast

a. They Overindulged in A _____

Isa 5:22 “Woe to those who are heroes in drinking wine and valiant men in mixing strong drink”

b. They Committed S _____ Sins

Esther 1:9 “Queen Vashti also gave a banquet for the women in the palace which belonged to King Ahasuerus”

3) The S _____ of This Feast

Dan 1:2 “...some of the vessels of the house of God; and he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into the treasury of his god”

4) The S _____ of This Feast

Rev 9:20-21 “20 The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; 21 and they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts”

More alcohol is consumed in _____ than in any other city in the United States.

II. An Alarming I _____ Was Given by the Man of Faith

1) A S _____ Was Found

Matt 5:13 “You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men”

Ps 119:11 “Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You”

2) A S _____ Was Preached

Heb 10:29 “How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?”

Job 12:10 “In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind” (NIV)

3) A S _____ Was Read

a. First, It Had Been Prophesied That a Conqueror Would Come From the N _____

Jer 50:2-3 “2... ‘Babylon has been captured, Bel has been put to shame, Marduk has been shattered; Her images have been put to shame, her idols have been shattered.’ 3 ‘For a nation has come up against her out of the north; ...’” (Emphasis Added)

b. Second, It Had Been Prophesied That Babylon Would be Destroyed by a Coalition of Forces That Would Include the Army of the M _____

Jer 51:11 “Sharpen the arrows, fill the quivers! The LORD has aroused the spirit of the kings of the Medes, because His purpose is against Babylon to destroy it; for it is the vengeance of the LORD, vengeance for His temple” (Emphasis Added)

c. Third, It Had Been Prophesied That Their Fortifications Would Not be Enough to P _____ Them

Jer 51:53 “Though Babylon should ascend to the heavens, and though she should fortify her lofty stronghold, from Me destroyers will come to her,’ declares the LORD” (Emphasis Added)

d. Fourth, It Had Been Prophesied That Their Destruction Would Come as a Result of Some Form of S _____

Jer 50:24 “I set a snare for you and you were also caught, O Babylon, while you yourself were not aware; you have been found and also seized because you have engaged in conflict with the LORD.” (Emphasis Added)

e. Fifth, It Had Been Prophesied That Their Destruction Would Involve the Diversion or D _____ of Water

Jer 51:36 “... ‘Behold, I am going to plead your case and exact full vengeance for you; and I will dry up her sea and make her fountain dry’” (Emphasis Added)

f. Sixth, It Had Been Prophesied That Their Destruction Would Come While One of Nebuchadnezzar’s G _____ Was on the Throne

Jer 27:6-7 “6 Now I have given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, My servant, and I have given him also the wild animals of the field to serve him. 7 ‘All the nations shall serve him and his son and his grandson until the time of his own land comes; then many nations and great kings will make him their servant’”

g. Seventh, Cyrus the Persian Had Even Been Mentioned by N _____ as the One Who Would Allow the Jews to Return to Their Homeland (Isaiah 45:1-3 Turn and Read)

Rom 3:23 “for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”

John 3:16 “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life”