

The Pattern of Babylon

Prophetic
Fulfillment

Foretaste
of the
End Times

Handwriting
on the Wall

Ancient
and
Spiritual
Babylon

Prophetic Fulfillment

- **Daniel 5** is the prophetic fulfillment of **Daniel 2** where Daniel predicts to an *almighty* King Nebuchadnezzar that Babylon will fall to an inferior kingdom **Daniel 2:39**
- By October 12, 539 BC, when Babylon fell to Medo-Persia, Daniel was now an old man, probably in his mid-eighties
- Sixty-six years after Daniel's prediction, he sees the fall of Babylon **Daniel 2:39**
- God exacts His judgment on Babylon using the Medo-Persians as predicted in **Jeremiah 25:11-13, Jeremiah 51:11-13**
- Daniel must have been quite aware of what is happening at the time

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- **Daniel 5:1-4** emphasis five times in four verses that the king Belshazzar and his cohorts drank wine. They were "*drunk with wine*".
- They are drinking from the vessels of God's Sanctuary **2 Chronicles 36:18**
- King Nebuchadnezzar never drinks from them, which would have defiled them
- Lastly, the king and his subjects praise the gods of gold and silver, of bronze, iron, wood, and stone. In the same order of Nebuchadnezzar's *dream statue*. **Daniel 2:32-33**
- They do not give recognition the Most High God, one to which king Belshazzar would have been familiar **Daniel 5:22**
- Idol worship is an abomination to the Lord **Deuteronomy 29:16-18, Ezekiel 14:6, Deuteronomy 27:15**

Daniel 5:1-4	Revelation 17:1-5
Judgment	<p>¹Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying, "Come here, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters, ²with whom the kings of the earth committed <i>acts of</i> immorality, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her immorality." ³And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns. ⁴The woman was clothed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a gold cup full of abominations and of the unclean things of her immorality, ⁵and on her forehead a name was written, a mystery, "BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH."</p>
Besides many waters	
King and subjects drink wine	
Golden vessels	
Idol worship - Abominations	
<p><i>The woman whom you saw is the great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth. Revelation 17:18</i></p>	

