Daniel 5:1-31 – *Even kings have a King*

1. Taking on God is Foolishness (v1-17)

Belshazzar > God > Nebuchadnezzar > People

(V1) Belshazzar stands confidently vs (v6) Gone pale, knees knocking and can barely stand

No matter how powerful we think we are, we cannot stand against the King of heaven

2. Even kings Have a KING (v18-31)



God gave Nebuchadnezzar his kingdom, greatness, glory and majesty. (v18)

Even our every breath is a gift from God (v23).



The handwriting on the wall:

- **Mene:** Your days are numbered.
- **Tekel:** You have been weighed and found wanting.
- **Peres:** Your kingdom will be divided

  (v25 Parsin = plural & v28 Peres = singular)



Even under the rule of another kingdom, God remained sovereign

(Ezra 1:1–4) King Cyrus sends God's people home to rebuild the temple.

3. Be Comforted and Be Brave - God is Sovereign

Be Comforted - *There is a day of "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Parsin" coming, when everyone will face God's judgement. (Acts 17:31)*

Pray for Our Leaders

Have the Bravery of Daniel – Have a **BIG** view of God.
Daniel had the courage to speak the truth to the most powerful king because he knew that ***even kings have a King!***

God > kings > people