

The Definition Of The Word Church Pt9

In Captivity

DANIEL 1:1-4

1. *In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it. 2. And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the house of God: which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.*
3. *And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring certain of the children of Israel, and of the king's seed, and of the princes;*
4. *Children in whom was no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.*

DANIEL 1:6-7

6. *Now among these were of the children of Judah, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:*
7. *Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abednego.*

MAKING THE VALLEY FULL OF DITCHES [56-0728]

God has never been without a witness. God has always had a witness since the world began. Sometimes it come down to one man. But God has always has someone He could lay His finger on and say, *"This is My servant,"* in all ages.

THE DEEP CALLING TO THE DEEP [56-0415]

Sometimes it comes to just one person, like in the days of Noah, or the time of Elijah, and so forth. Sometime it's just one person. But He's never been without a witness, as long as there has been an earth. And He never will be without a witness, as long as there is an earth. There's always someone that He can put His hands on, and put His trust in, and say, *"This is My servant that'll do My will."*

Wouldn't it be nice today if He say about us? *"This is My servants, who I can put my trust in, and they'll do My will."*

DANIEL 3:1

1. *Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.*

DANIEL 4:8a

8a. But at the last Daniel came in before me, whose name was Belteshazzar, according to the name of my god, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods:

THE MARK OF THE BEAST [54-0513]

Did you ever notice the innocence of it, who that image was made of? It was Daniel, the image of a man.

THE MARK OF THE BEAST [54-0513]

You notice, Daniel is off the scene at that time. Get what I mean?

THE UNCERTAIN SOUND [62-0714]

The Gentile nation was issued in with King Nebuchadnezzar with unknown tongues and interpretation, and goes out the same way? Issued in by a worship of an image of a man, and go...holy man, Daniel, which was Belteshazzar, the image of Daniel, to make everybody worship that image of a holy man, and go out the same way?

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE SEALS [63-0324M]

And, remember, in the time of Babylon and Nebuchadnezzar, when the Gentile kingdom was issued in, see; when Gentile kingdom issued in, it come in by the worship of a man. Nebuchadnezzar made a statue of a man. And if you've got a spiritual mind, now listen to this revelation. That spirit, that man that he made a revelation of, or, he made a image of, by his revelation, was Daniel, a religious man being worshipped. See it? Because, he named him Belteshazzar, wasn't it? Or, Belteshazzar, which was the name of his god. And he made an image of that god, which was the image of Daniel.

POSSESSING THE GATE OF THE ENEMY AFTER TRIAL [64-0322]

Let's take the Hebrew children, 'cause they stood true and wouldn't tolerate with image-worship. They refused to bow down to an image that the king of the nation had made. It was made after a holy man, too, the image of Daniel.

Showed that the Gentile race was brought in under the false side, of worshipping an image of a holy man. It goes out the same way, when people will be forced to worship images of people. It come in by revelation, of Daniel being able to interpret the Word, that was wrote on the handwriting on the wall. That's the way it come in, and that's the way it goes out, the same way, of the image of the Gentile.

Notice, they refused to do it. And what did they do? They were Abraham's seed standing true to the Word, and they possessed the gate of the enemy, of fire. They did it. Well, God's Word is true.

DANIEL 3:15b-18

15b. ...but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands? 16. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, **we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.** 17. If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. 18. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.

DANIEL 3:28-29

28. Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God. 29. Therefore I make a decree, That every people, nation, and language, which speak any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: because **there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.**

DANIEL 4:29-34

29. At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon. 30. The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty? 31. While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee. 32. And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will. 33. The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws. 34. And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation:

DANIEL 5:13-14

13. Then was Daniel brought in before the king. And the king spake and said unto Daniel, Art thou that Daniel, which art of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my [father] brought out of Jewry? 14. **I have even heard of thee, that the spirit of the gods is in thee,** and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.

1) *father*

2) *fathers, ancestors*

BEGINNING AND ENDING OF THE GENTILE DISPENSATION [55-0109E]

God had to let him know who was the real King... After his death, Belshazzar, his grandson succeeded him, and then he was more wicked than King Nebuchadnezzar.

THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL [56-0902]

Really, Belteshazzar is called his son, but it was his grandson. It was his daughters--his... Nebuchadnezzar had a daughter, and she married a general and this general's boy was Belteshazzar. So then, it was his grandson.

"Though he is referred to in the Book of Daniel as the son of Nebuchadnezzar, the Babylonian inscriptions indicate that he was in fact the eldest son of Nabonidus, who was king of Babylon from 555 to 539, and of Nitocris, who was perhaps a daughter of Nebuchadnezzar." ~ britannica.com

DANIEL 5:25-28

25. *And this is the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.*
 26. *This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. 27. TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.*
 28. *PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.*

DANIEL 5:30

30. *In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain.*
 31. *And Darius the Median took the kingdom, being about threescore and two years old.*

DANIEL 6:10

10. *Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.*

DANIEL 9:1-3

1. *In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; 2. In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. 3. And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:*