

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

BIG IDEA: God's people live beyond earthly kingdoms.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Daniel 5
Romans 13:1-5
Matthew 20:17-27
Matthew 28:18-20
Ephesians 1:15-23
1 Timothy 2:1-8
1 Peter 2:11-17

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Why did Belshazzar party while his city was surrounded by an army?

What was Belshazzar's sin?

Why was Belshazzar so frightened when he saw a hand writing on the wall?

What was Daniel's relationship with the king?

Why would Daniel tell Belshazzar to keep the reward?

Why don't we learn from our parents?

Why did Daniel include this story in his writings?

Where does the authority to rule come from?

What happens to rulers when they forget this?

What happens to subjects when they forget this?

PRAYER FOCUS:

Thank God for His everlasting kingdom.

Ask God for the wisdom to see His kingdom.

Ask God for the humility

to submit to those who rule over you.

Give God praise as you see Him at work around you.

FAMILY RESOURCE

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READ DANIEL 5:1-4

Why would you give a party for 1,000 people?
Use your best tableware for dinner tonight.

READ DANIEL 5:5-6

Enjoy finger painting.

READ DANIEL 5:7-23

Why was the king so scared?
Draw a picture of something that REALLY frightened you.
Tell why it was so scary.

READ DANIEL 5:24-28

What did the message mean?
Use a scale to see how equally you divide dessert.

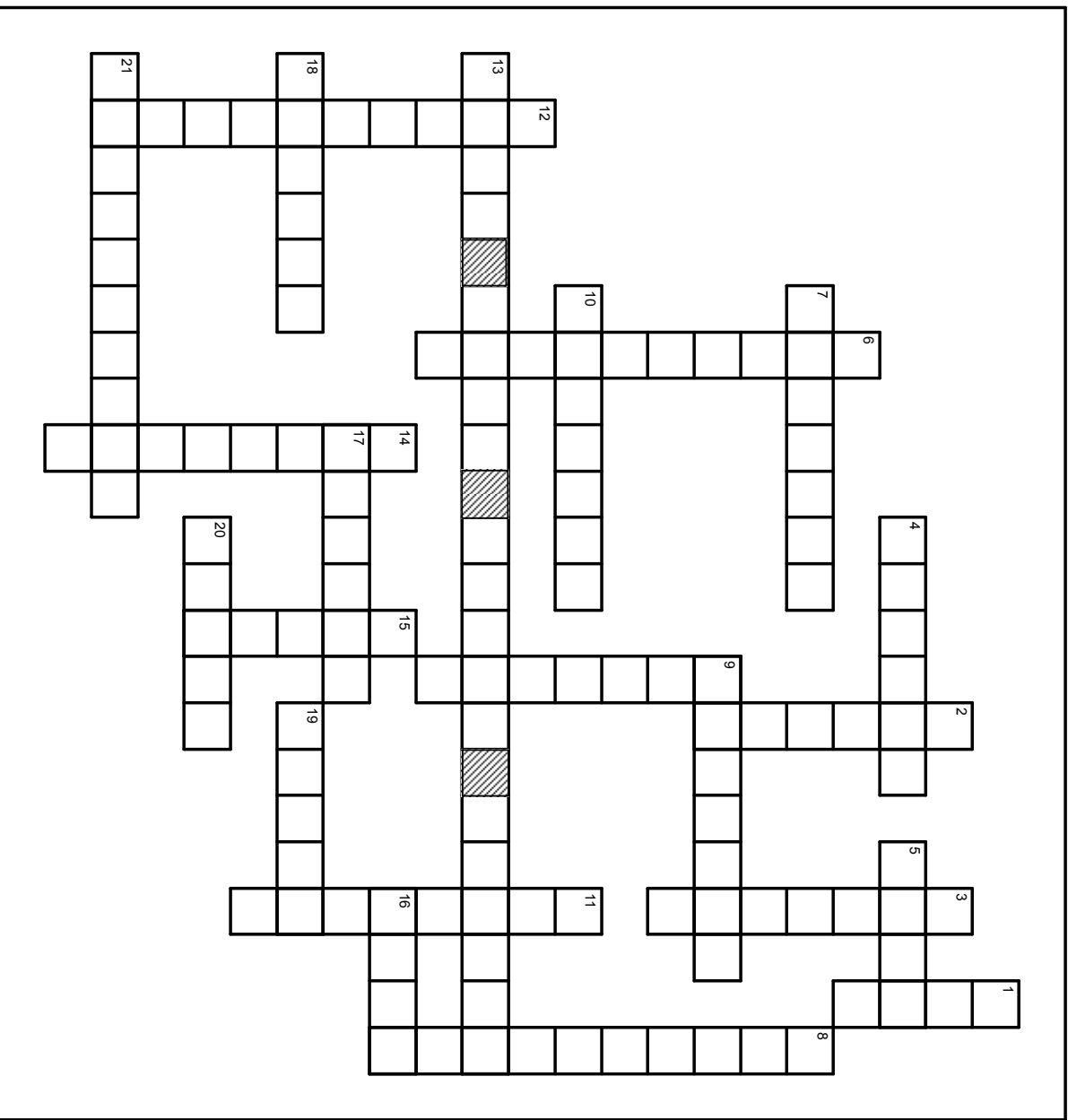
READ DANIEL 5:29-31

How long did Daniel get to keep his new position?
Play follow the leader, but change the leader every minute.

MEMORY VERSE:

Live such _____ among the _____ that,
though they _____ you of doing _____,
they may see your good _____
and glorify _____ on the day He _____ us.
1 Peter 2:12

God Changes Kings



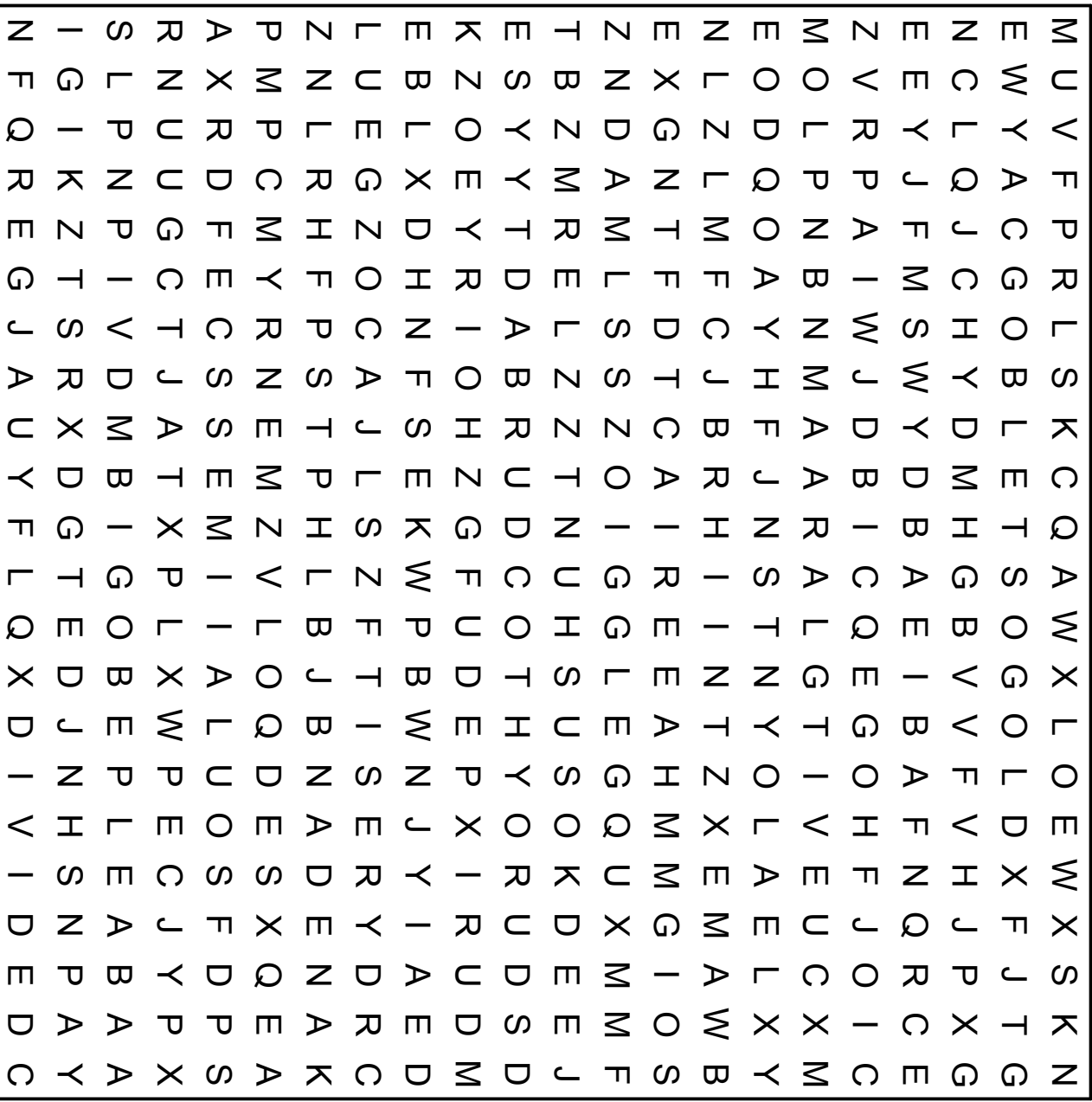
Across

4. he could interpret the writing (Daniel 5:17)
5. where the writing was (Daniel 5:5)
7. fancy glasses for drinking (Daniel 5:2)
9. taken away (Daniel 5:20)
10. there are 5 of them on each hand (Daniel 5:5)
13. the writing on the wall (Daniel 5:25)
16. valuable metal (Daniel 5:16)
17. a royal color (Daniel 5:7)
18. the new ruler (Daniel 5:31)
19. Belshazzar's mother (Daniel 5:10)
20. worship (Daniel 5:23)
21. introduced as (Daniel 5:29)

Down

1. sickly (Daniel 5:6)
2. place of worship (Daniel 5:3)
3. totally confused (Daniel 5:9)
6. slave wives (Daniel 5:3)
8. scared (Daniel 5:6)
9. split apart (Daniel 5:28)
11. full of pride (Daniel 5:20)
12. he gave a banquet (Daniel 5:1)
14. showed up (Daniel 5:5)
15. killed (Daniel 5:30)

God Changes Kings



Belshazzar
 temple
 appeared
 purple
 queen
 arrogant
 honor
 divided
 slain
 concubines
 pale

goblets
 fingers
 frightened
 baffled
 gold
 deposed
 MENE MENE TEKEL PARSIN
 proclaimed
 Darius
 wall
 Daniel

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1. NAISL -----
2. OLDG -----
3. ORHNO -----
4. DEESODP -----
5. EADRRPEA -----
6. DVIEDDI -----
7. EUNQE -----
8. TOLBSGE -----
9. EFRGSIN -----
10. IEDANL -----
11. DUAIRS -----
12. CAMPEILRDO -----
13. BRASHLZAEZ -----
14. LLWA -----
15. AGATNORR -----
16. HRTFEIENDG -----
17. NSNEOCUCBI -----
18. LPETEM -----
19. EALP -----
20. LBFFEDA -----
21. EPRUPL -----

Write the message from the wall here:
