

DEFINING MOMENTS

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

SERMON NOTES

October 27, 2024

Speaker: Pastor Brian Bennett

“The Handwriting on the Wall”

Defining Moments: “The handwriting on the wall”

When God sets our _____, we will know when to _____.

[Daniel 4:1-12]

Pride _____ our fall, but God _____ when we call.

[Daniel 4:34-37; James 4:6-10]

Pride _____ us to our work and _____ us to God’s work.

[Daniel 5:1-9]

Walls will fall as we let Jesus _____ our _____.

[Daniel 5:13-23; Ephesians 2:13-14]

The three charges against the king:

- _____ (v.22)
- _____ (v.23)
- _____ (v.23)

The _____ for pride is found at the _____.

[Daniel 5:24-31; Philippians 2:8-11]

Next Step Questions:

- Will you recognize the handwriting on the wall and turn to God?
- Will you turnover _____ to Jesus and let Him re-write your story?

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Pathway Group Discussion Questions:

Note: 1, 6, and 7 are general questions asked at Pathway weekly.

1. How is God at work in and around your life?
2. Read Daniel 4:1-12. Discuss what happened in Chapter 4 with Daniel and King Nebuchadnezzar in the rest of the chapter (a dream, interpretation, judgment, repentance, and restoration).
 - Which character can you most relate to and why?
 - What does it mean to let God set our standard? How does that standard let us know when to stand?
3. Read Daniel 5:1-9. Discuss what happened in Chapter 5 with Daniel and King Belshazzar in the rest of the chapter (the handwriting on the wall, the interpretation, judgment, and destruction).
4. The tale of two kings who both responded differently to God's work and the revelation of their pride. Read James 4:6-10.
 - What does this reveal to us about the issue of pride and God's desire for us?
 - How does pride precede our fall?
 - How does pride blind us to God's work and bind us to our own work?
5. Review the main points from the message notes. What encouraged you? What challenged you? Explain.
6. How did you answer the next step questions this week?
 - Will you recognize the handwriting on the wall and turn to God?
 - Will you turnover _____ to Jesus and let Him re-write your story?
7. How can we pray for you and support you this week?

Note for life group leaders: if you need additional support or resources due to the depth of the verses and topics covered don't hesitate to reach out: zorom@pathwayvb.com

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October 13 – October 19, 2024

FINANCIALS

\$26,229 down 25.1% to budget for W/E 10/19/24

\$1,461,239 down 5.5% to budget for Year to Date

-\$59,881 Net Revenue after including other income through September 2024

\$221,922 for Missions or 16.1% of General Giving YTD through September 2024

CONNECT

Total Worship Attendance: 980

Online: 105

TWC Attendance Sunday: 538

Kids Sunday: 127

Students: 210

GROW

Baptisms (YTD): 82

Discipleship Groups: 338

Salvations (YTD): 95

SERVE

People Fed at Food Pantry: 72

Weekly Volunteers: 126