

# Daniel

God is Sovereign

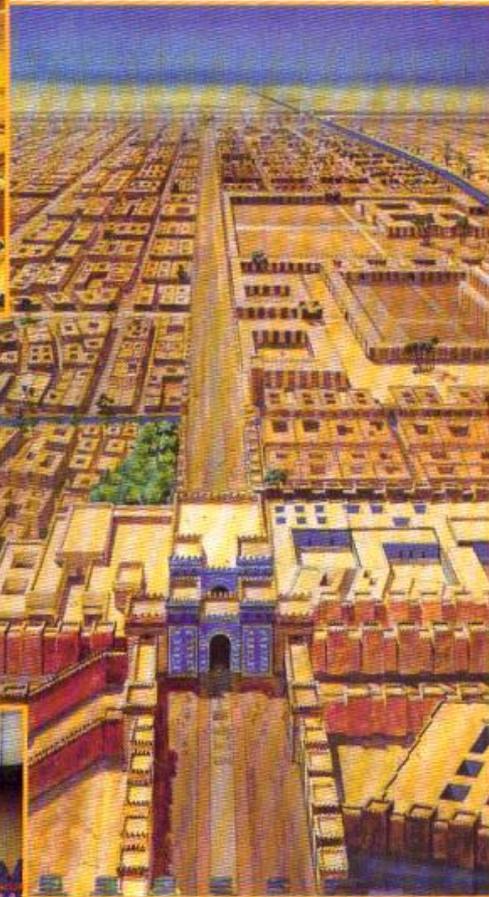
Humility



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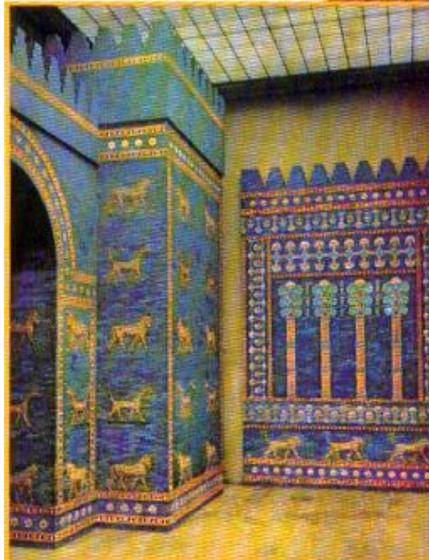
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# Babylon

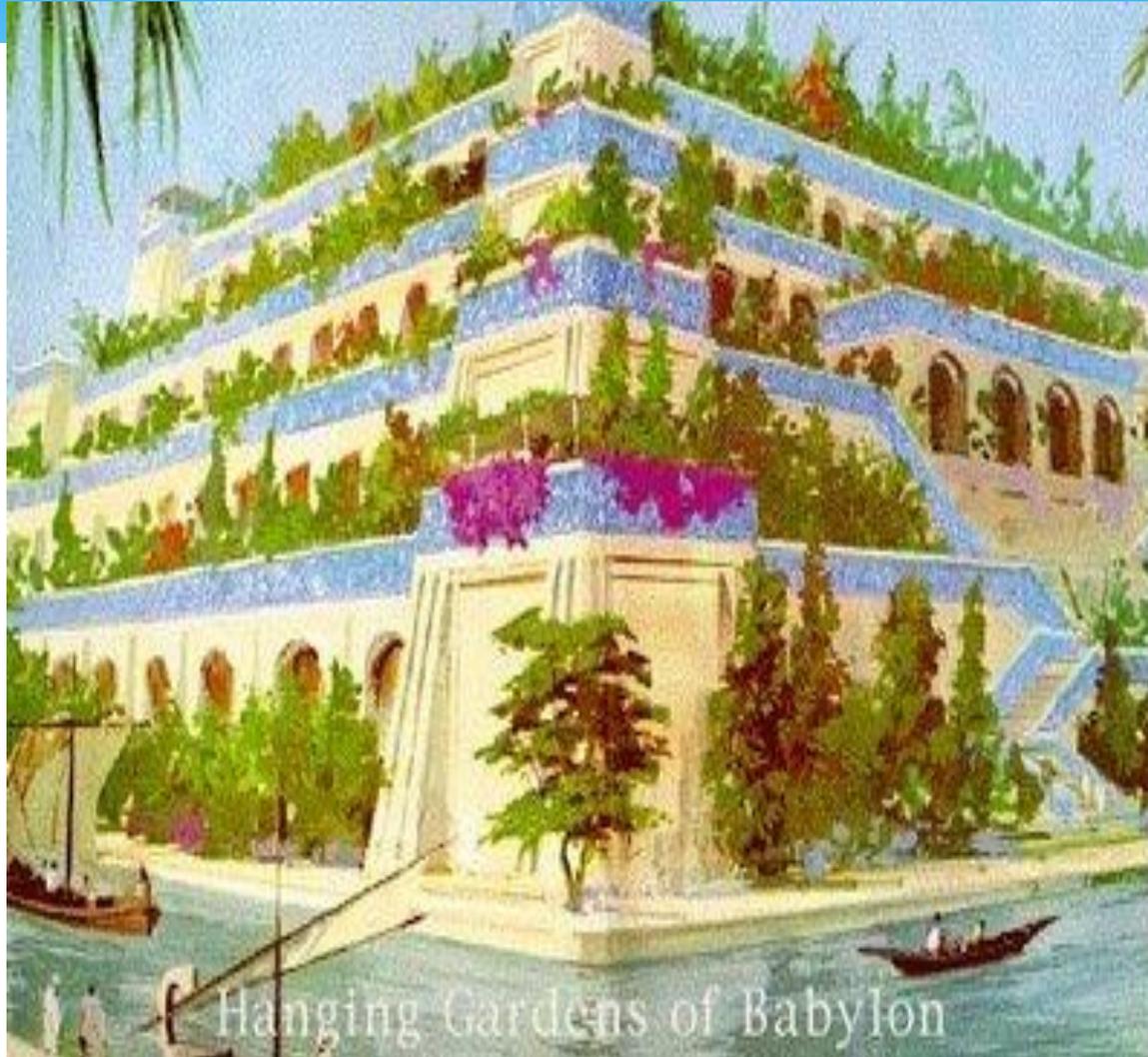


Artist's impression of the Ishtar Gate and panorama of Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon (above and right)

In the Pergamon Museum in Berlin, Babylon's Ishtar Gate and the Processional Way have been marvellously recreated, using some of the original blue-and-gold glazed bricks discovered by German archaeologists early this century (below)



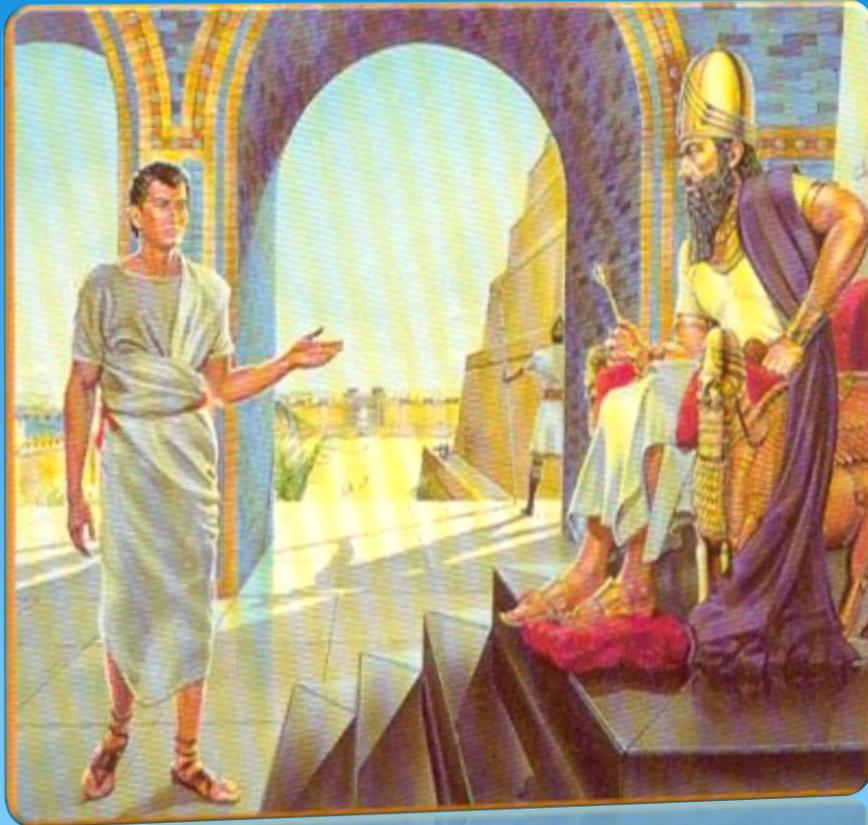
# Hanging gardens of Babylon



Hanging Gardens of Babylon



Daniel Refusing the King's Meat and Wine, by Del Parson, © 1963 IRI



## Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

How does Daniel interpret the dream with such authority?

# Daniels response

- ❖ He gives himself time
- ❖ He prays fervently
- ❖ God reveals the dream
- ❖ He praises God



# Four Kingdoms

- Babylonia
- Medo-Persia
- Greek
- Roman



# The Four Beasts





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# Persian Empire



# The Greek Empire



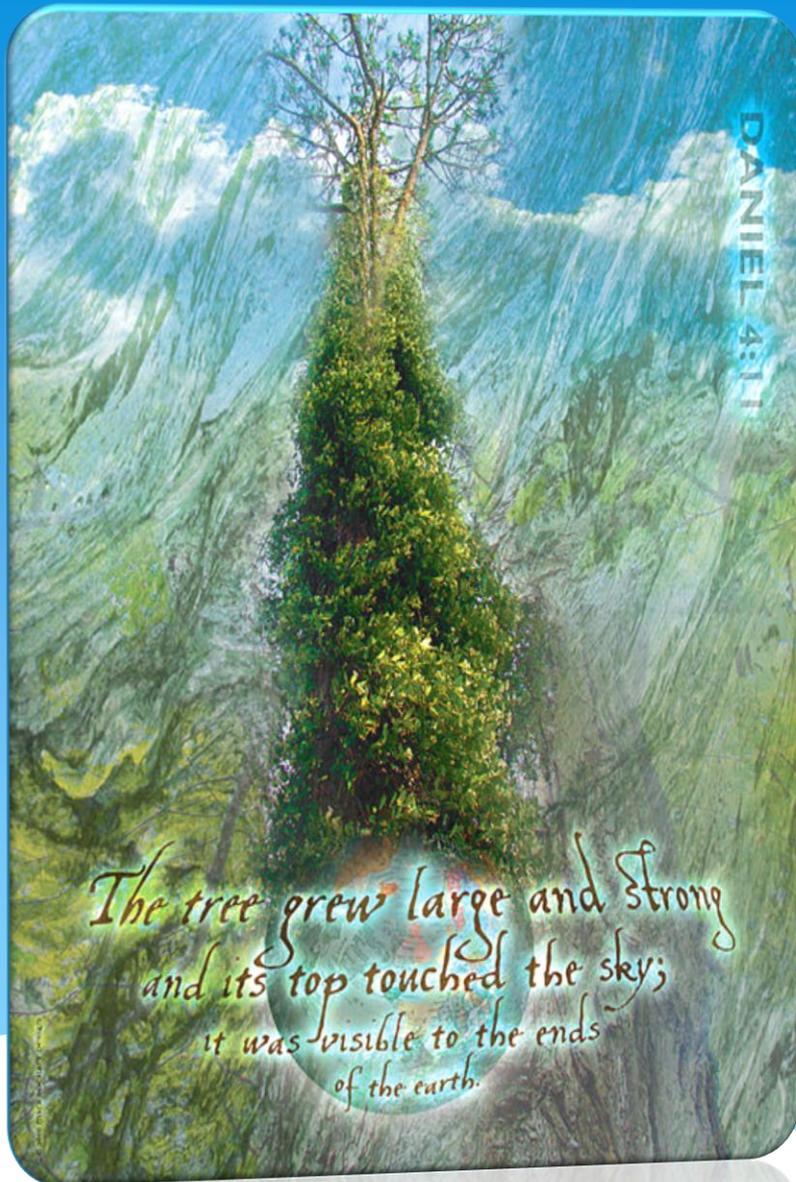
# Roman Empire





The Kingdom of  
God is still to  
come!





## Nebuchadnezzar 's dreams of a tree

Daniel pleads with Nebuchadnezzar to renounce his sins and show kindness to the poor.<sup>3</sup>



Nebuchadnezzar  
proudly admires  
his kingdom

Big mistake!



The humbling  
process begins!



...and continues for

seven

years ...

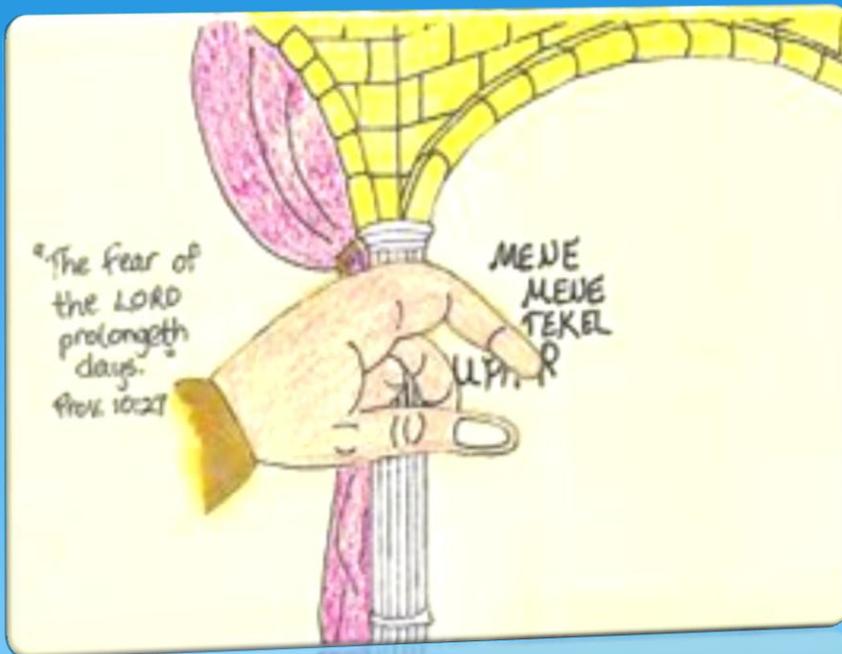
# Belshazzar faces judgement....



The writing  
on the wall



# No grace here!



- **Mene:** God has numbered the days of your reign and brought it to an end.
- **Tekel:** You have been weighed and found wanting.
- **Peres:** Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians



# Daniel

- \* Holy, Humble, son of the Sovereign Lord
- \* He pointed people around him toward the Sovereign God
- \* He gave insight about the new Jerusalem / the new Kingdom without bricks and mortar
- \* Brings forth the vision of the Ancient of Days and the Son of Man at the centre.