

**Year 2**

**Week 105**

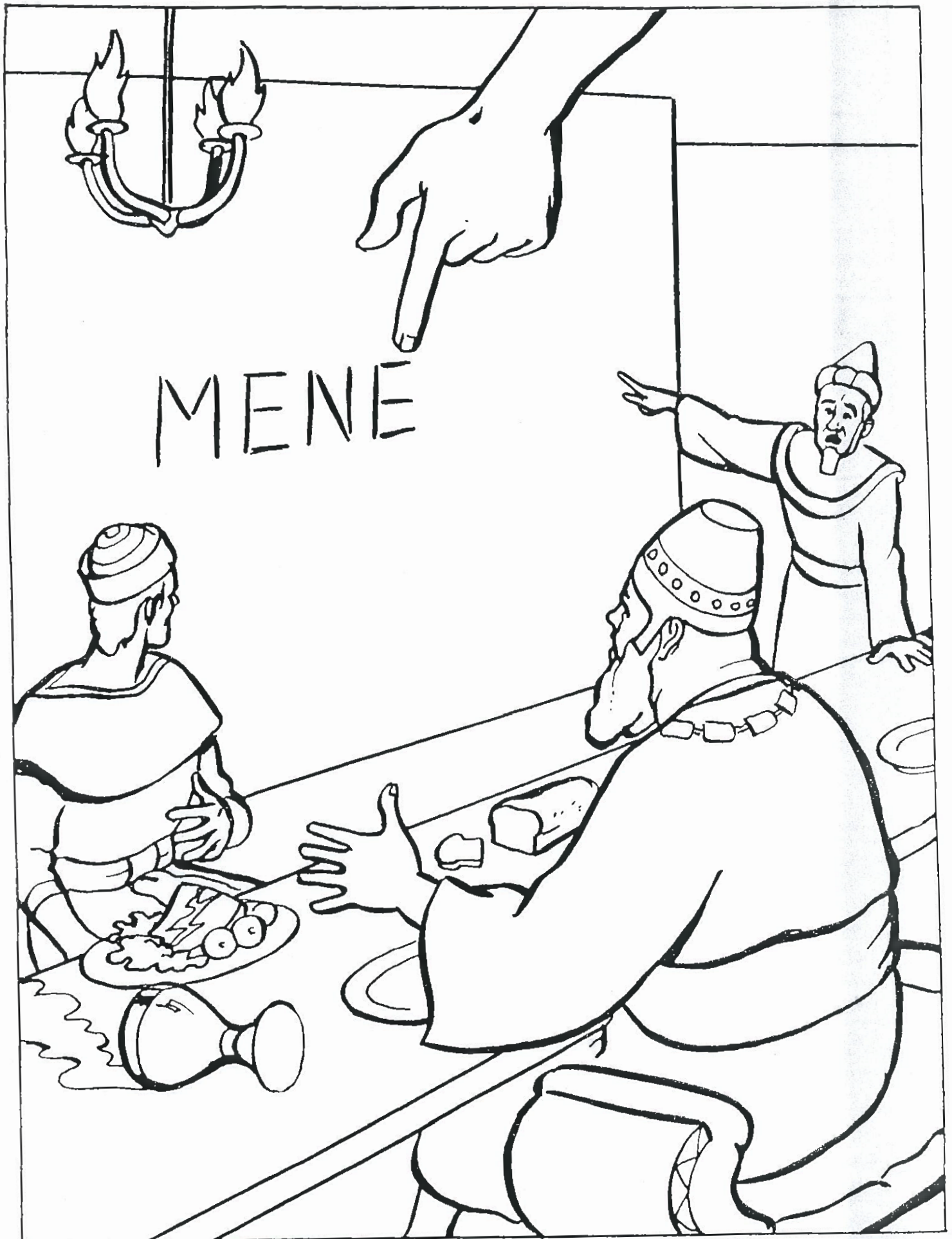
## **The Writing on the Wall**

**Scriptures: Daniel 5**

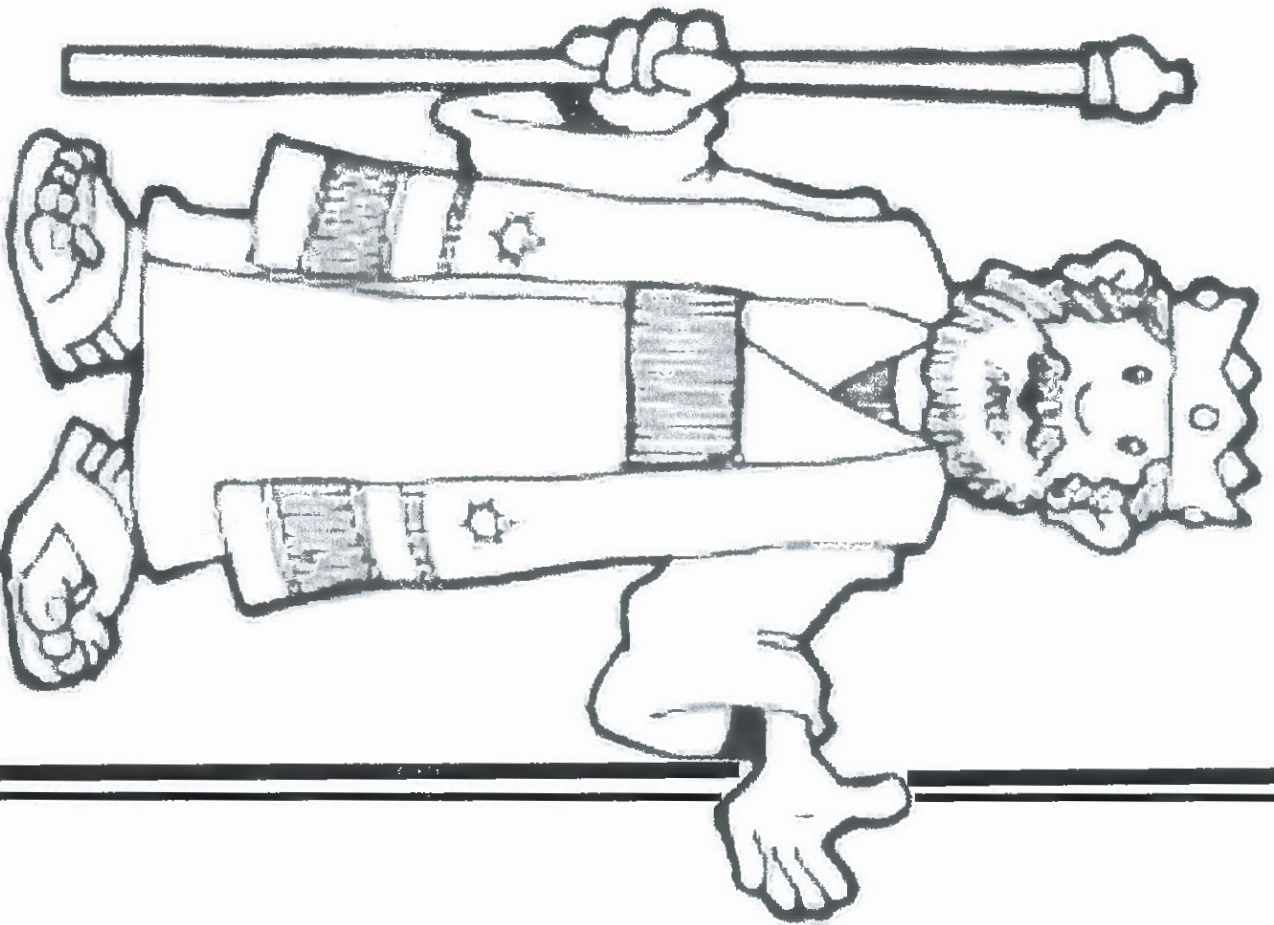
**Key Verse: Dan 5:22-23** "But you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, although you knew all this. (23) And you have lifted yourself up against the Lord of heaven. They have brought the vessels of His house before you, and you and your lords, your wives and your concubines, have drunk wine from them. And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, bronze and iron, wood and stone, which do not see or hear or know; and the God who holds your breath in His hand and owns all your ways, you have not glorified.

### **Key Points:**

1. Belshazzar, king of Babylon, throws a great feast for his lords using the utensils and vessels from the temple of God in Jerusalem.
2. As they were feasting, a hand appeared and wrote out a message on the wall of the king's palace.
3. Greatly disturbed by this, the king offers any man in the kingdom a high rank if they can interpret the writing on the wall.
4. The queen suggests Daniel as an interpreter; Daniel is brought in and rebukes the king for his pride.
5. The writing tells the king that the Babylonian empire will come to an end and be succeeded by the Medes and Persians.
6. The king rewards Daniel as promised; that night the city is conquered by the Medo-Persian empire.



In the midst of the party, fingers of a man's hand write strange words on the wall. Daniel 5:5

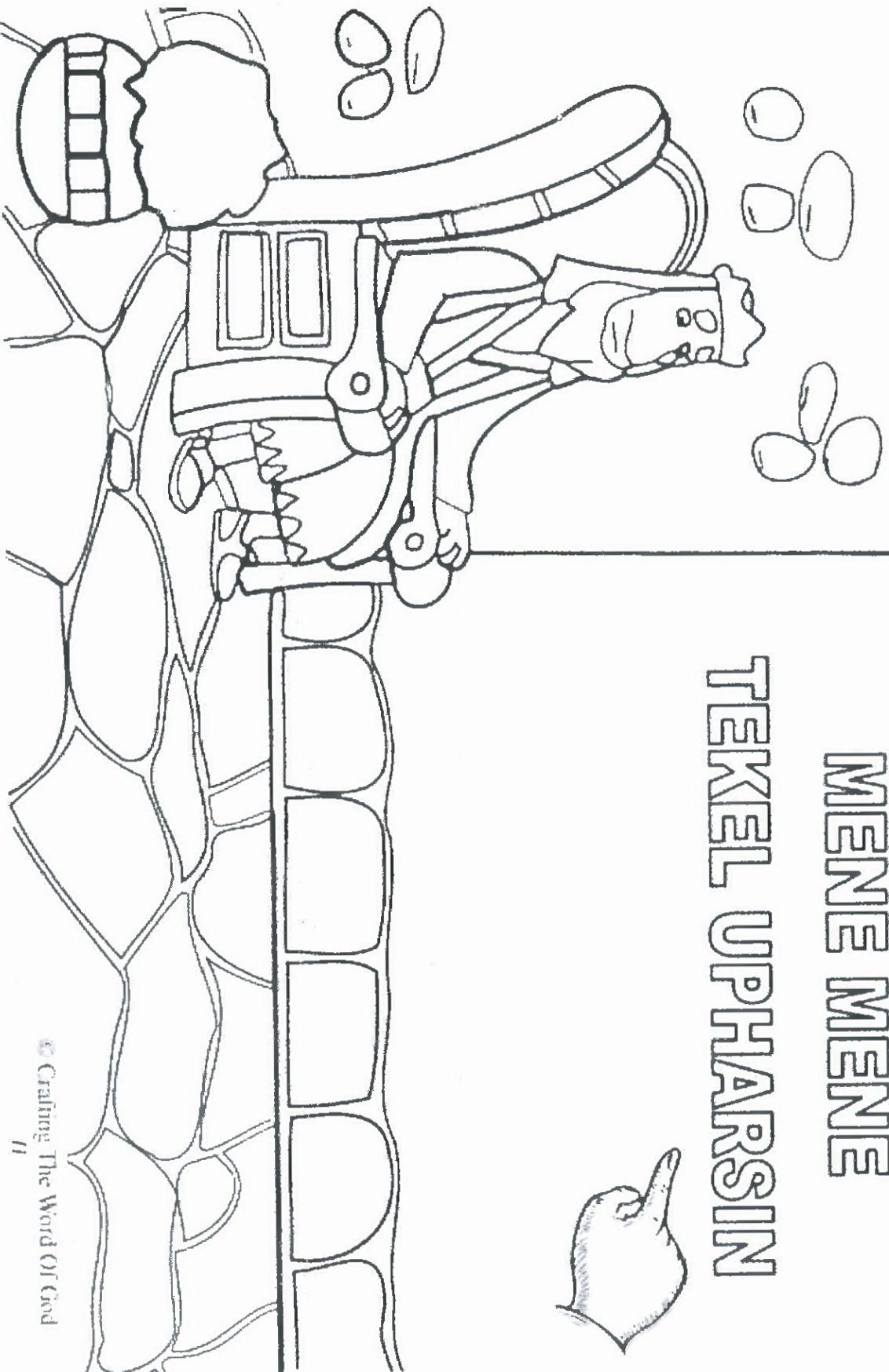
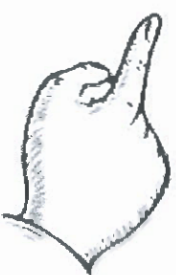


## Daniel 5



MENE MENE

TEKEL UPHARSIN



159. THE WRITING ON THE WALL  
(DANIEL 5:1-31)

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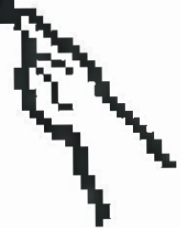
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FINGERS

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UPHARSIN

VESSELS  
WRITING

**MENE, MENE,**

**TEKEL, UPHARSIN**



# 159. THE WRITING ON THE WALL

## (DANIEL 5:1-31)

### MEMORY VERSE:

*"The Most High God rules in the kingdom of men, and appoints over it whomever He chooses."*  
**DANIEL 5:21**

### CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

1. "Belshazzar the king made a great feast for a (**COUPLE, THOUSAND**) of his lords, and drank wine in the presence of the (**TWO, THOUSAND**)." **DANIEL 5:1**

### TRUE OR FALSE:

2. "While he tasted the wine, Belshazzar gave the command to bring the gold and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple which had been in Jerusalem." **DANIEL 5:2**  
**TRUE OR FALSE**
3. "They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold and silver, bronze and iron, wood and stone." **DANIEL 5:4**  
**TRUE OR FALSE**

### CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

4. "In the same hour the (**KNUCKLES, FINGERS**) of a man's hand appeared and wrote opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace." **DANIEL 5:5**
5. "Then the king's countenance changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his hips were (**LOOSENED, TIGHTENED**) and his knees (**LOCKED, KNOCKED**) against each other." **DANIEL 5:6**

### FILL IN THE BLANK:

6. "Then Daniel was brought in before the king. And the king spoke, and said to Daniel, 'Are you that Daniel who is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ from Judah, whom my father the king brought from Judah?' " **DANIEL 5:13**

### TRUE OR FALSE:

7. The king said to Daniel, 'If you can read the writing and make known to me its interpretation, you shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around your neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.' **DANIEL 5:16**  
**TRUE OR FALSE**
8. Daniel said to the king, "I will take your gifts and your rewards, but I will not read the writing to the king!" **DANIEL 5:17**

**TRUE OR FALSE**

### MATCHING:

9. "This is the inscription that was written: MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN." **DANIEL 5:25**  
DRAW A LINE TO THE CORRECT INTERPRETATION FOR EACH WORD-

(DANIEL 5:26) MENE

You have been weighed in the balances, and found wanting

(DANIEL 5:27) TEKEL

Your kingdom has been divided, and given to the Medes and Persians

(DANIEL 5:28) PERES

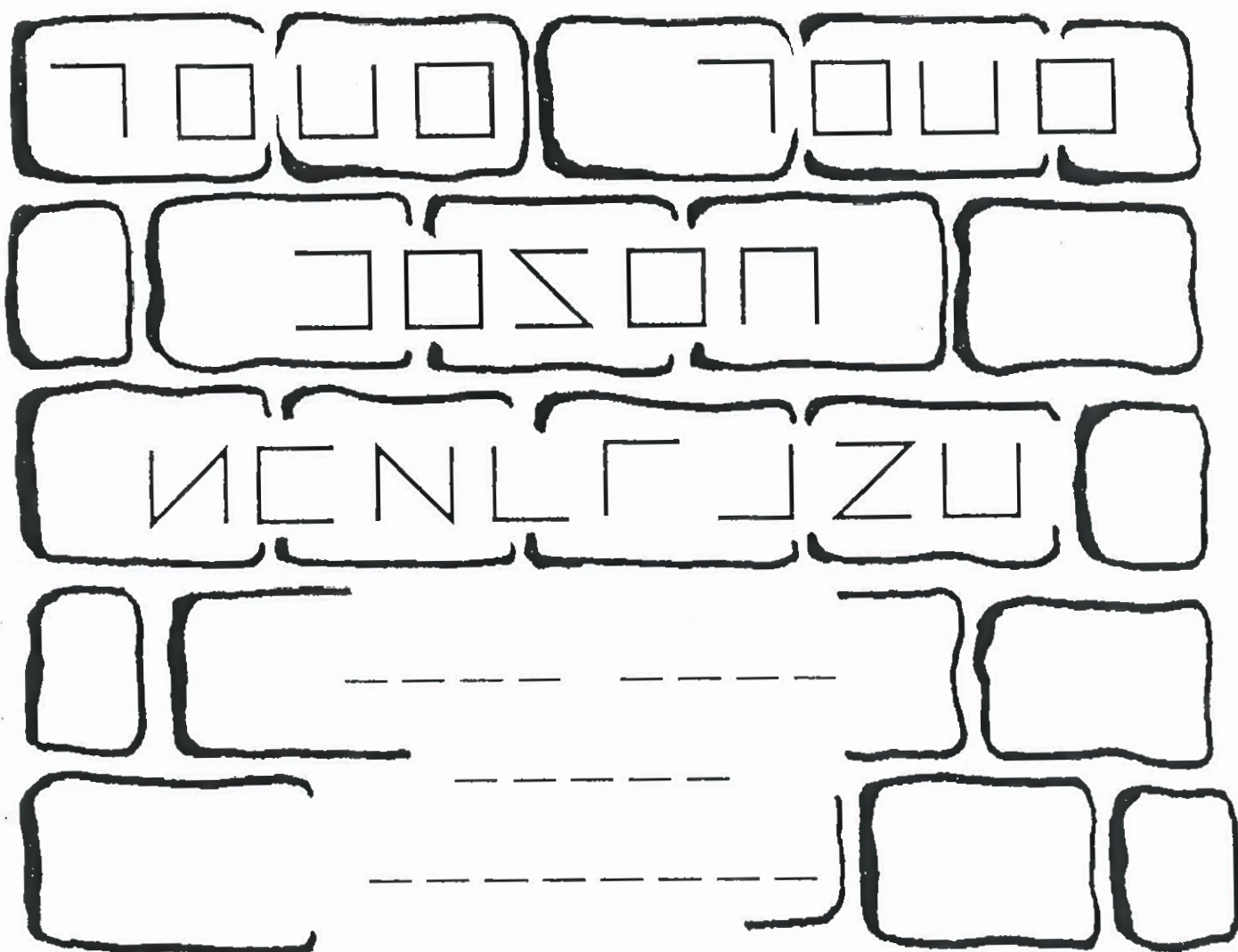
God has numbered your kingdom, and finished it



## Wall Writing

The wicked King Belshazzar had a banquet to which he invited a thousand lords, and he used the sacred gold and silver vessels that had been stolen from the temple in Jerusalem to serve the wine. King Belshazzar made a toast to the gods of gold and silver, bronze and iron, wood and stone as the people drank from these goblets. That same hour, the king saw the fingers of a man's hand appear and write mysterious words opposite the lampstand on the plaster wall of his palace. Decode the message below to see what was written on the wall.

### Message



### Code

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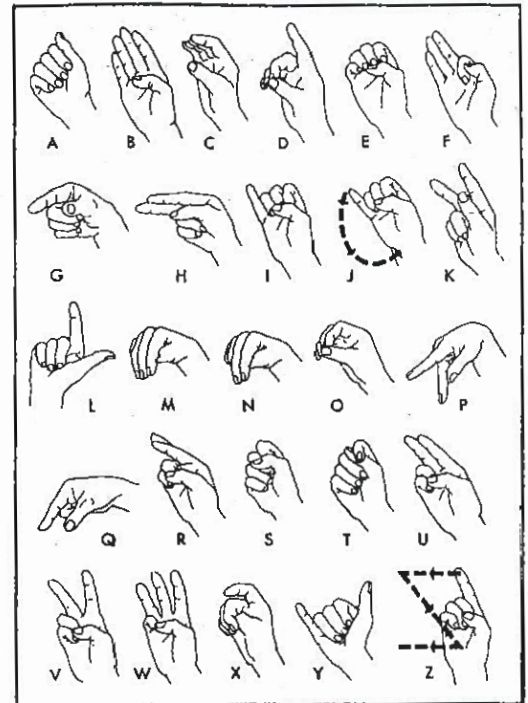


# 39. The Hand That Wrote on the Wall

## Daniel 5

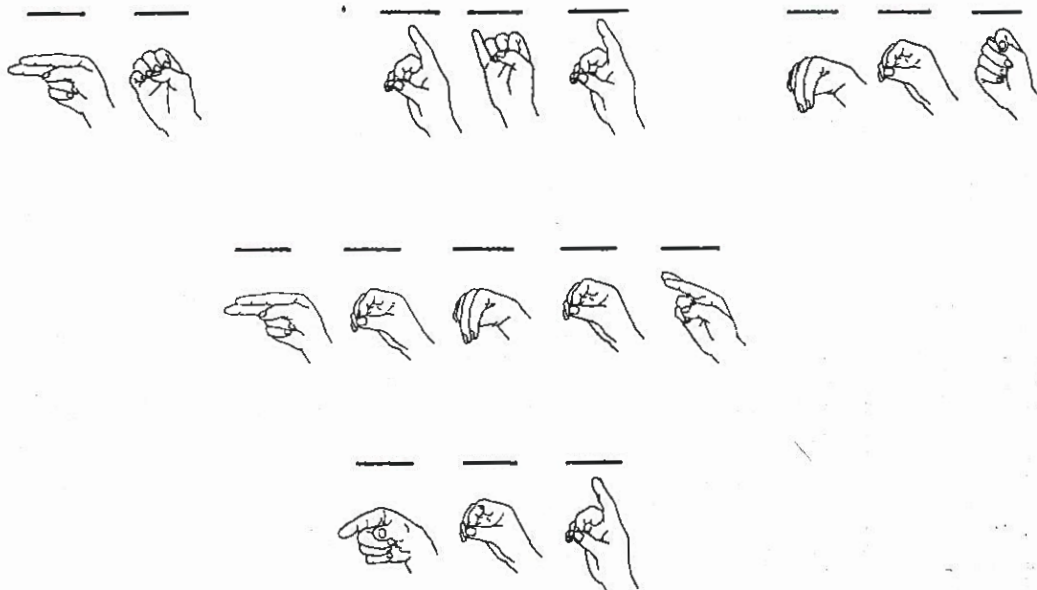
The American Manual Alphabet uses different finger positions to spell out words. Practice spelling the alphabet with your hand.

Use the manual alphabet to solve the puzzle.



Daniel was called in to the king's banquet to interpret the writing on the wall. Daniel told the king about his sin and punishment.

What was King Belshazzar's sin?





# THE WRITING ON THE WALL

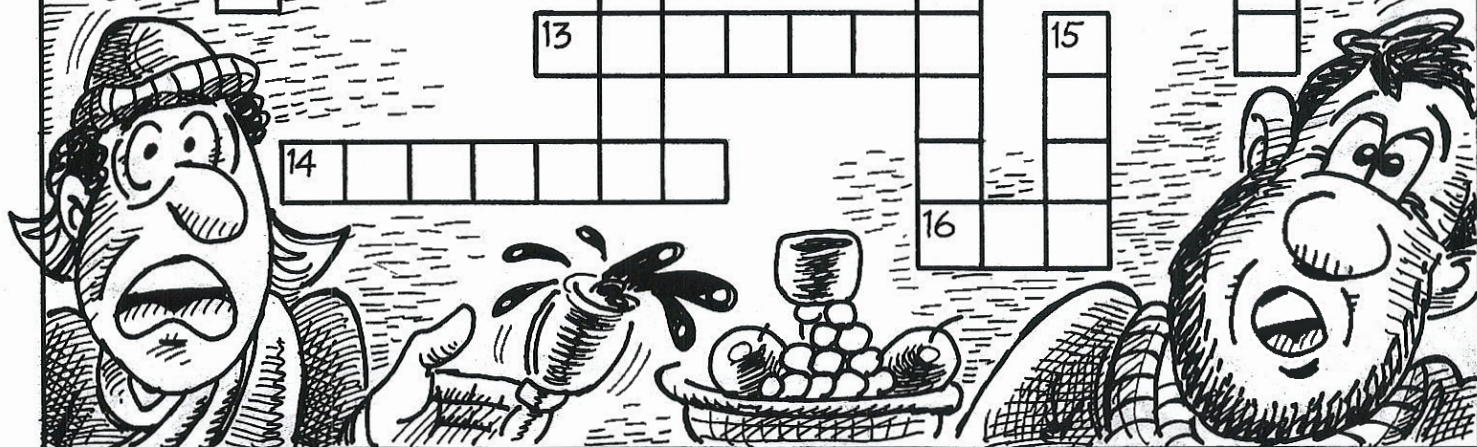
## DANIEL 5:1-30

### Across

4. The king promised Daniel a gold \_\_\_\_\_. v. 16
6. Nebuchadnezzar had become arrogant and lost his \_\_\_\_\_. v. 20
7. Daniel did not want the king's \_\_\_\_\_. v. 17
8. Nebuchadnezzar was given the mind of an \_\_\_\_\_. v. 21
9. Belshazzar had praised the gods of \_\_\_\_\_ and gold. v. 23
11. The queen knew a man with great \_\_\_\_\_. v. 11
13. King Belshazzar gave a great \_\_\_\_\_. v. 1
14. Daniel told Belshazzar that he had not \_\_\_\_\_ himself. v. 22
16. Daniel reminded the king that \_\_\_\_\_ had blessed his father, Nebuchadnezzar. v. 18

### Down

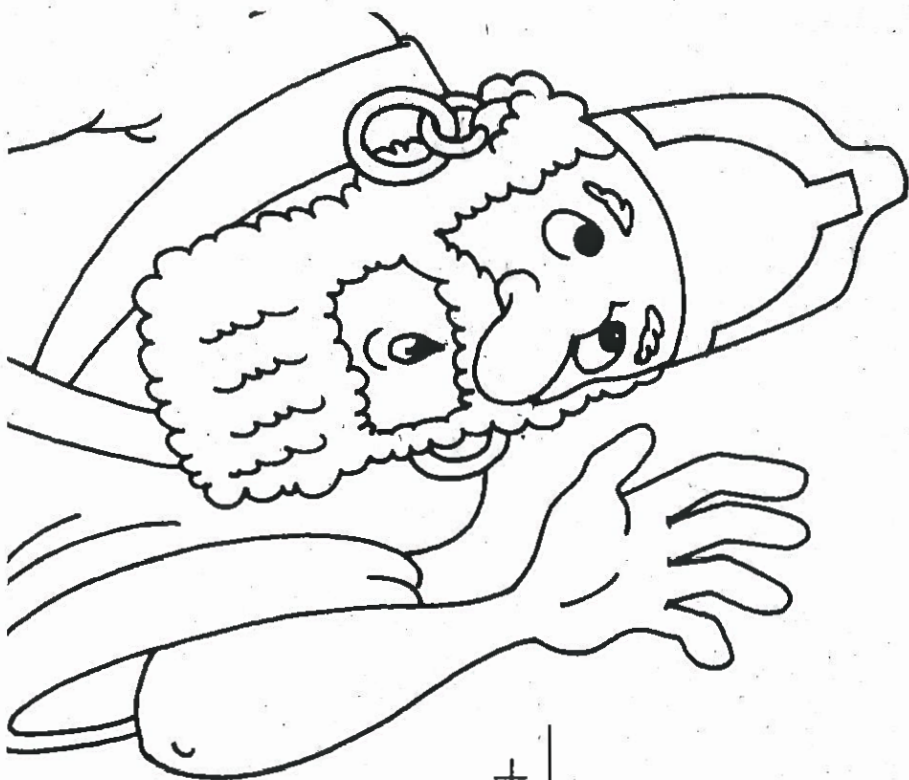
1. That night, Belshazzar was \_\_\_\_\_. v. 30
2. Belshazzar did not \_\_\_\_\_ God. v. 23
3. Daniel was clothed in \_\_\_\_\_. v. 29
5. The queen told the king to call for \_\_\_\_\_. v. 12
10. A hand appeared and wrote a \_\_\_\_\_ on the wall. v. 5
11. The king told his wisemen to read the \_\_\_\_\_ on the wall. v. 7
12. The king used gold goblets taken from the \_\_\_\_\_ at Jerusalem. v. 3
15. No one could \_\_\_\_\_ the writing on the wall. v. 8



# WRITING ON THE WALL

Daniel 5

Figure out the secret code and learn the name of the king Daniel helped.



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Secret Code									
a	△	f	⊖	k	▷	p	×	u	▮
b	+	g	▬	l	▽	q	D	v	○
c	⊞	h	◇	m	☆	r	⋈	w	▩
d	○	i	▷	n	↑	s	▴	x	□
e	▣	j	✱	o	▽	t	▩	y	⊗
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One night the Babylonian king was having a huge party. In the middle of the celebration a hand appeared and wrote a message on the wall of the room. God helped Daniel understand the message and he explained it to the king.