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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



Order of Worship August 31, 2025 Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### We Gather to Worship God

Welcome

Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song Prayer

#### We Listen to the Word

Sermon Series: In The Fire Sermon: "Daniel 5: Different in the Fire"

#### We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer

### We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

\*Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen\*







For a complete list of ongoing ministries and upcoming events, please visit <u>tablelifechurch.org</u>.

## Doggy Bag-Some questions to chew on:



- 1. What stands out to you most about this part of Daniel's story?
- 2. Why is it important not to place Christian expectations upon someone who is not a Christian?
- 3. Is there any longing within you to be holy? What does that feel like? How do you experience the desire for holiness?
- 4. Has following Christ ever cost you something? Have your plans ever been disrupted by God for a reason?
- 5. How do you see God differently from those around you—at work, at school, in your family, among your friends and neighbors? Would others say you are a Christian Atheist?
- 6. How does knowing we will all be accountable to God change how we respond, act, and live?
- 7. When have you experienced God speaking a word of judgment in your life? How did you respond?

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# In the Fire "Daniel 5: Different in the Fire" Pastor Kris Beckert

How can we be faithful to Christ in the fire?

I.	Faithfulness in Exile:	
	requires we	_(Daniel 1)
	means that we invest	(Daniel 2)
	requires we remember	(Daniel 3)
	means we walk	(Daniel 4)
	means we live	(Daniel 5)
II.	Living Differently in a Secular World:	
	We recognize what is expect others to	_ but don't

Daniel 5:1-4 Belshazzar the king held a great feast for a thousand of his nobles, and he was drinking wine in the presence of the thousand. <sup>2</sup> When Belshazzar tasted the wine, he gave orders to bring the gold and silver vessels which Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken out of the temple which was in Jerusalem, so that the king and his nobles, his wives and his concubines might drink from them. <sup>3</sup> Then they brought the gold vessels that had been taken out of the temple, the house of God which was in Jerusalem; and the king and his nobles, his wives and his concubines drank from them. <sup>4</sup> They drank the wine and praised the gods of gold and silver, of bronze, iron, wood and stone.

## 2. We allow our plans and desires to be \_\_\_\_\_ by God

Daniel 5:5-6 Suddenly the fingers of a man's hand emerged and began writing opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace, and the king saw the back of the hand that did the writing. 6 Then the king's face grew pale and his thoughts alarmed him, and his hip joints went slack and his knees began knocking together.

## 3. We value what is God's because God is and we are too

Daniel 5:22-24 Yet you, his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, even though you knew all this, <sup>23</sup> but you have exalted yourself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of His house before you, and you and your nobles, your wives and your concubines have been drinking wine from them; and you have praised the gods of silver and gold, of bronze, iron, wood and stone, which do not see, hear or understand. But the God in whose hand are your lifebreath and all your ways, you have not glorified. <sup>24</sup> Then the hand was sent from Him and this inscription was written out.

#### 4. We know God will judge \_\_\_\_\_

Daniel 5:25-31 "Now this is the inscription that was written out: 'MENĒ, MENĒ, TEKĒL, UPHARSIN.' <sup>26</sup> This is the interpretation of the message: 'MENĒ'—God has numbered your kingdom and put an end to it. <sup>27</sup> 'TEKĒL'—you have been weighed on the scales and found deficient. <sup>28</sup> 'PERĒS'—your kingdom has been divided and given over to the Medes and Persians." <sup>29</sup> Then Belshazzar gave orders, and they clothed Daniel with purple and put a necklace of gold around his neck, and

issued a proclamation concerning him that he now had authority as the third ruler in the kingdom. <sup>30</sup> That same night Belshazzar the Chaldean king was slain. <sup>31</sup> So Darius the Mede received the kingdom at about the age of sixty-two.

Titus 1:15–16 To the pure, all things are pure; but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure, but both their mind and their conscience are defiled. <sup>16</sup> They profess to know God, but by their deeds they deny Him, being detestable and disobedient and worthless for any good deed.

Big Idea:			