

Melbourne Community Church (MCC)

Sunday Service — May 21, 2023

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What was the effect on king Belshazzar?

What was the reward for interpreting the dream?

Who was called in by the king to interpret the writing?

When they could not interpret the writing, what was the effect on Belshazzar?

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What differences did Daniel draw between King Nebuchadnezzar and king Belshazzar?

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