

**“Christianity, the World’s Most Falsifiable Religion”**

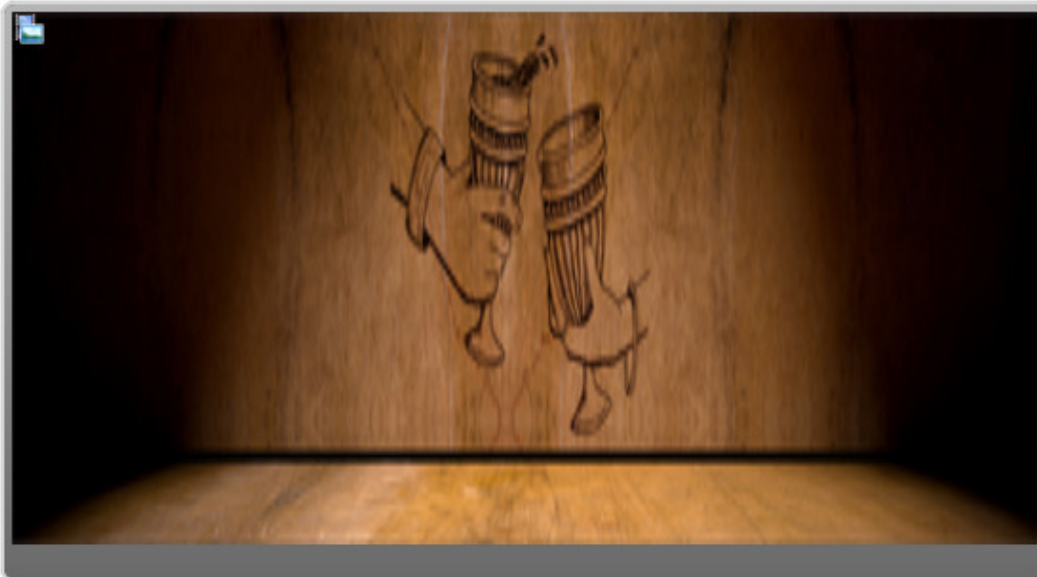
**The central claims of the Bible demand historic inquiry, as they are based on public events that can be historically verified. In contrast, the central claims of all other religions cannot be historically tested and, therefore, are beyond falsifiability or inquiry. They just have to be believed with blind faith.**

**Michael Patton**

## **Babylonian kings after Nebuchadnezzar**

- Amel-Marduk (562-560 BC)**
- Nergal-Shar-Susur (560-556 BC)**
- Labashi-Marduk (556 BC)**
- Nabonidus: father of Belshazzar (556-539 BC)**





**Modern man is drinking and drugging himself out of awareness, or he spends his time shopping, which is the same thing.**

**Ernest Becker, *Denial of Death***



## **Daniel 5:6**

**Then the king's color changed, and his thoughts alarmed him; his limbs gave way, and his knees knocked together.**

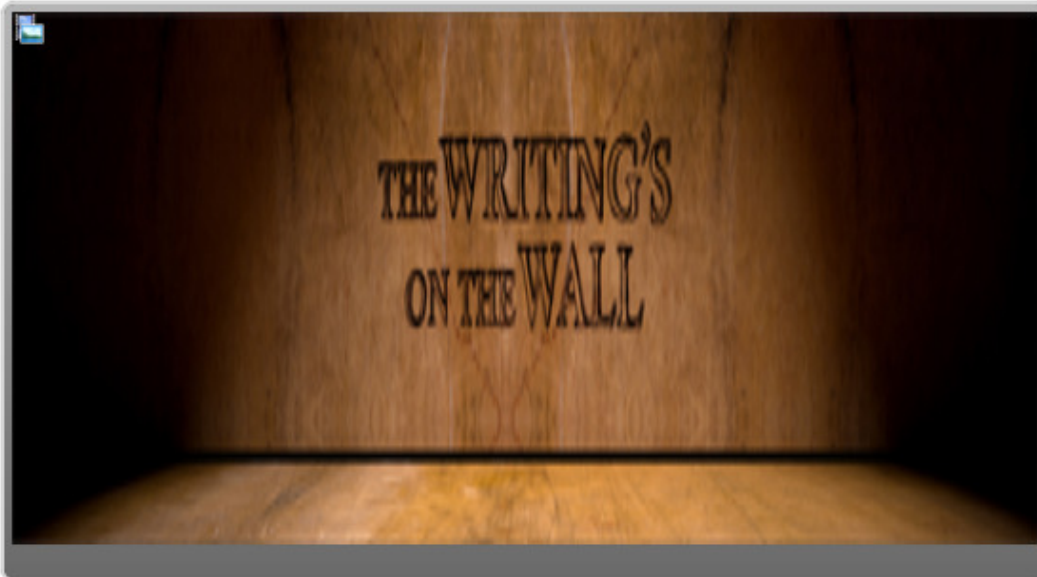


**Daniel 5:11**

**There is a man in your kingdom in whom is the spirit of the holy gods. In the days of your father, light and understanding and wisdom like the wisdom of the gods were found in him...**

**The church now has the opportunity to bear witness in a culture that often does not even pretend to share our “values”. That is not a tragedy since we were never given a mission to promote “values” in the first place, but to speak instead of sin and of righteousness and judgment, of Christ and his kingdom.**

**Russell Moore**



**Daniel 5:22-23**

**And you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, though you knew all this, but you have lifted up yourself against the Lord of heaven.**



**Pride defined**

**Failure to see that everything you have  
and everything you are is a gift of grace.**

**Pride is the sin behind every other sin.**

**Romans 1:21**

**For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.**

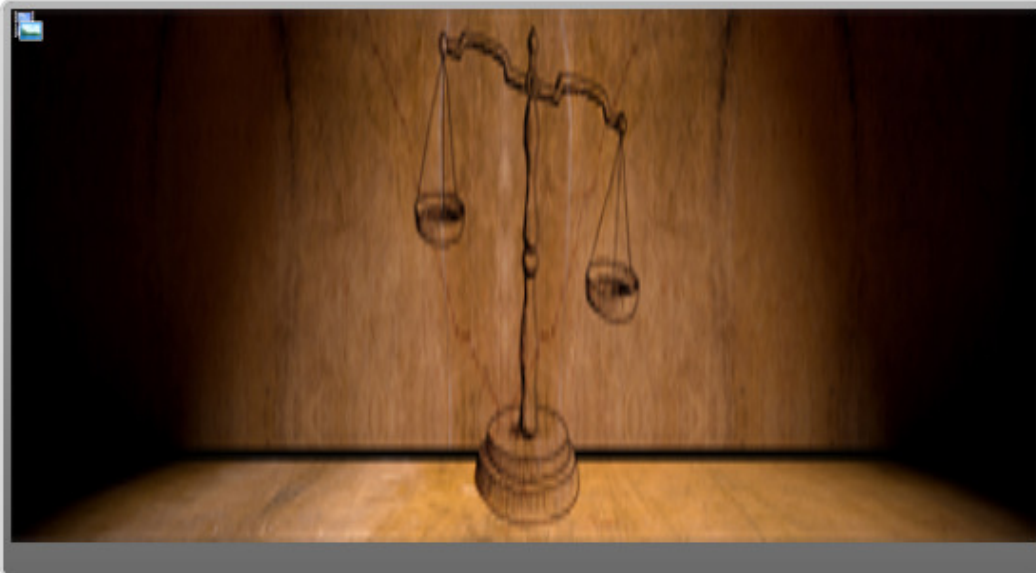
**Daniel 5:23**

**And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, of bronze, iron, wood, and stone, which do not see or hear or know, but the God in whose hand is your breath, and whose are all your ways, you have not honored.**

**We become what we worship.**

**Psalm 115:4-8**

**Their idols are silver and gold, the work of human hands. They have mouths, but do not speak; eyes, but do not see. They have ears, but do not hear, noses, but do not smell. They have hands, but do not feel; feet, but do not walk; and they do not make a sound in their throat. Those who make them become like them; so do all who trust in them.**



**Romans 2:4**

**Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?**

**To know that God is gracious and yet not turn from sin in the light of that grace is to fall under His righteous judgment.**

**Sinclair Ferguson**

**Daniel 5:27**

**You have been weighed in the balances  
and found wanting.**



**We have to allow the reality of God's wrath to drive us back to the place where we see God's mercy...the cross.**