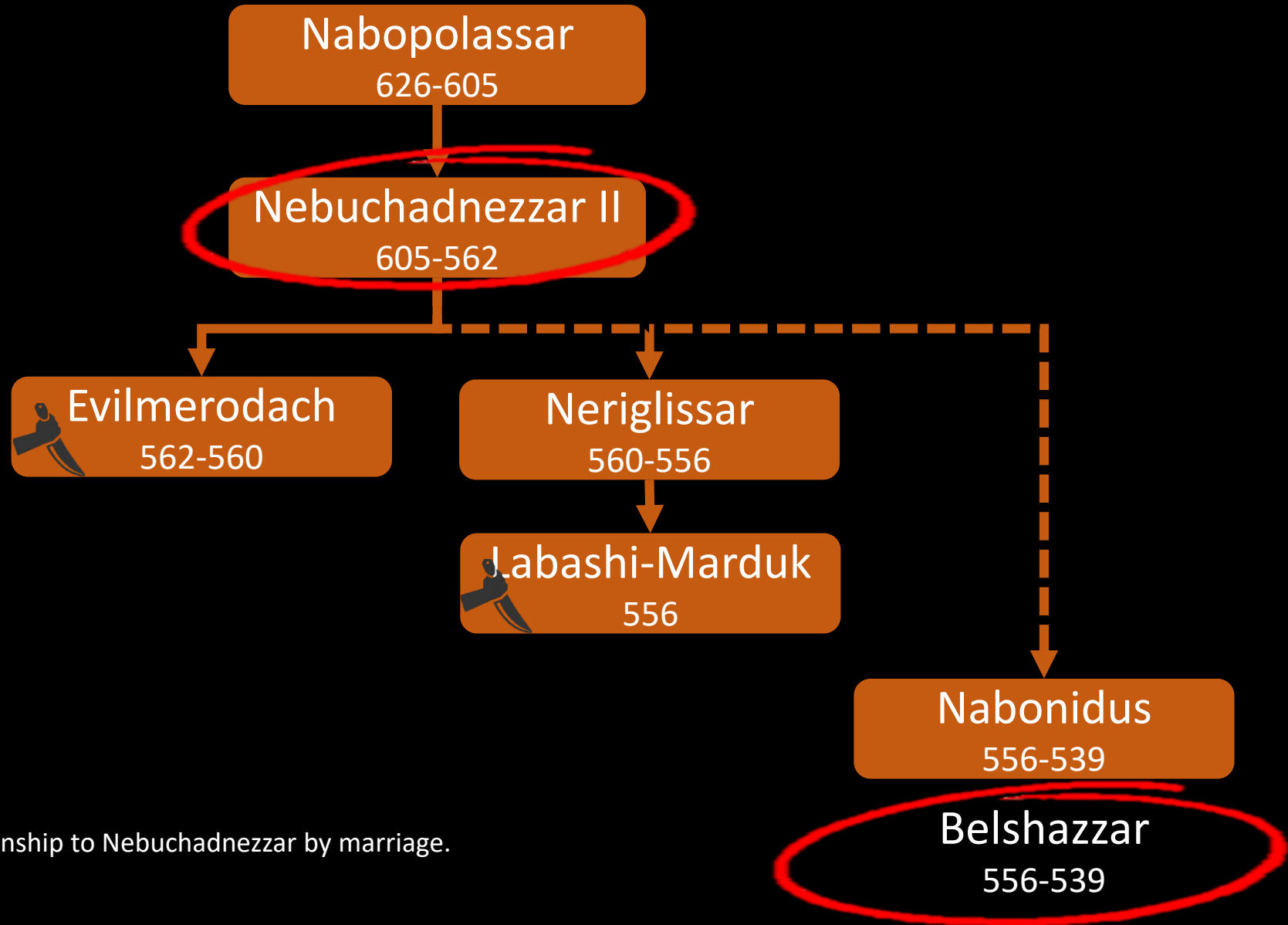




CH 5

The Revelation of DANIEL

The chronology of the Neo- Babylonian kings





Ch 5 breakup

- V1-4 The king's desecration
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“Against all their gods I will execute judgment “

Nabu was the Babylonian **god of** wisdom, learning, prophecy, scribes, and **writing**.

His symbol was a wedge-shaped cuneiform mark or a stylus at rest upon a writing tablet.

<https://www.ancient.eu/Nabu/>



Babylon today



Babylon 2014

Saddam Hussein's deserted place at Babylon



“It (Babylon)
shall never be
inhabited,
neither shall it
be dwelt in
from generation
to generation”

Isa 13:20

The fall of Babylon foreshadowed at Jericho



- The nearby river was dried up just prior to the city's destruction **Josh 3; cmp Jer 51:36**
- It was commanded to "shout against her round about" for her "foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down" **Josh 6:20; cmp Jer 50:15**
- The city was conquered by one like Christ
- The city was the home of a harlot **Josh 6:25; cmp Rev 17:5**
- The city contained Babylonish wares **Josh 7:21**
- The city was rich in gold, silver, brass and iron **Josh 6:19; cmp Dan 5:4**
- The city would be utterly destroyed and remained uninhabited **Josh 6:21,26; cmp Jer 50:13**

The two Babylons

Babylon of Old

Jer 50-51

Babylon the Great

Rev 17-19

Dwellest upon many
waters

Having a golden cup

Made the nations drunk

Killed God's people

Abundant in treasures

Filled with delicacies

Judgement reacheth unto
heaven



51:13

17:1

51:7

17:4

51:7

17:2

51:49

18:24

51:13

18:12-13

51:34

18:3

51:9

18:5

The two Babylons cont'd

Babylon of Old

Jer 50-51

Babylon the Great

Rev 17-19

I shall not sit as a widow

Isa. 47:8

18:7

Go ye out of her

51:45

18:4

That she hath done do
unto her

50:29

18:6

To be utterly destroyed

51:58

18:8,21

As a stone cast into the
sea

51:63

18:21

Babylon is fallen

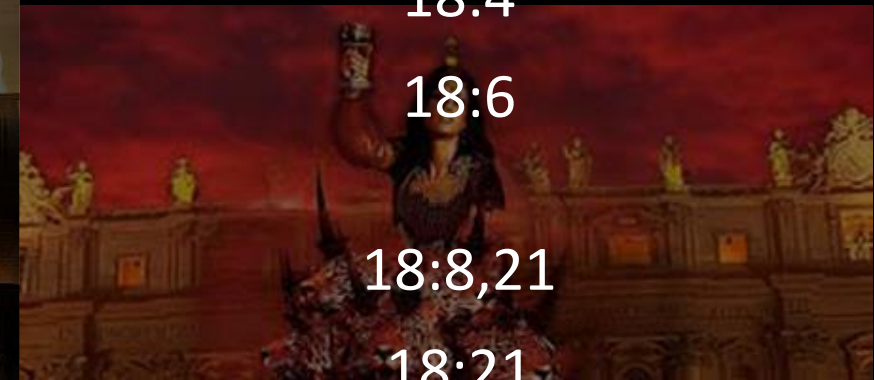
51:8

18:2

She is become an
astonishment

51:41

18:19



Lessons for life

- If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy – true for Belshazzar, true for all.
- The river that Babylon trusted in became the cause of her ruin. The things that we think are our greatest strength can be our greatest weakness.
- The walls that once provided defence became a snare from which the inhabitants could not escape. Be careful what you trust in.
- Belshazzar cared more about alcohol than his people, do we?
- God has predetermined the bounds of all nations. Be assured, the vision hath an end.

Lessons for life cont'd

- Babylon was shown no mercy. He shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy.
- Babylon offered rewards, it still does. Be careful what you accept.