

# **Nebuchadnezzar's successors to Belshazzar**

Nabopolassar: reigned 626 – 605 BC  
father of Nebuchadnezzar

Nebuchadnezzar (605 – 562 B.C.)

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Evil-Merodach (562 – 560 B.C.)

a.k.a. Awil-Marduk or Amil-Marduk:  
“man of Marduk”

son and successor of Nebuchadnezzar

released Jehoiachin from prison after 37  
years (2 Kings 25:27-30). Why?

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Nerig-lissar (560 – 556 B.C.)  
(a.k.a. Nergal-sharezer)

murdered Evil-Merodach

son-in-law of Nebuchadnezzar

Nebuchadnezzar's officer (Jer. 39:13)

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Labashi-Marduk (556 B.C.)

son of Neriglissar

succeeded his father when only a boy

deemed unfit to rule, murdered in a  
conspiracy only 9 months after his  
inauguration

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Nabonidus (556 – 539 B.C.)

the last king of the Neo-Babylonian Empire

went into exile in 550 B.C.

wanted to focus on priestly service

Belshazzar then ruled as co-regent

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Belshazzar (550 – 539 B.C.)

Belshazzar died when Babylon fell to the  
Persians in 539 B.C.