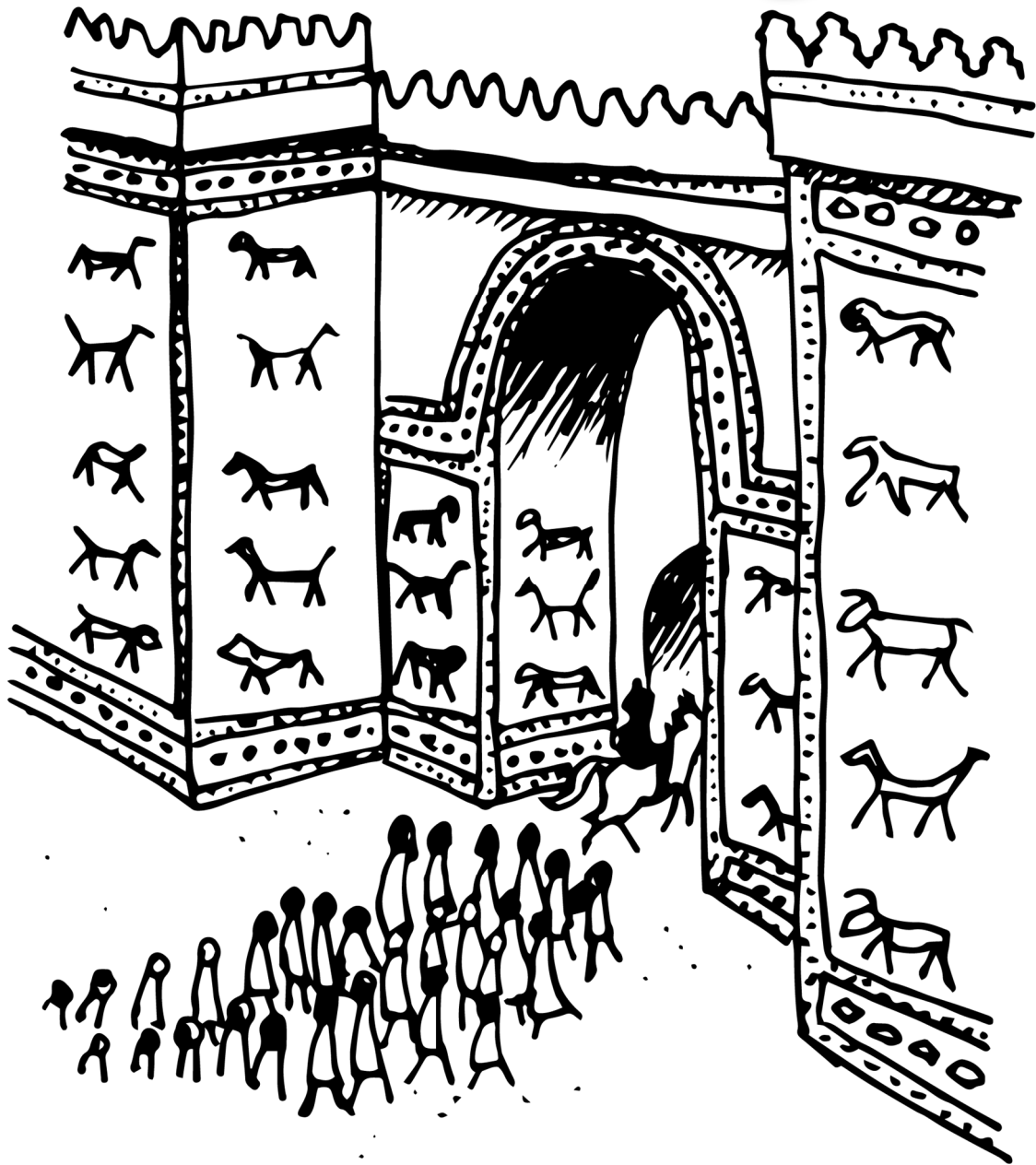


DANIEL



OLDER Squirt Workbook ~ 6-8 Year Olds
Manitoulin Youth Camp 2024

Dear Parents and Squirts,

We are excited that you are planning to join us for Manitoulin Youth Camp this year!

This is an optional workbook to give the squirts the opportunity to feel a part of the lessons that their “big brothers” or “big sisters” are working on for camp. If your child turns 6, 7 or 8 by the end of 2024, then they would complete this “older” squirt workbook. (If they are 3, 4, or 5 by the end of 2024, then they would complete the “younger” squirt workbook.) Alternatively, kids are welcome to complete the squirt workbook that seems to be age appropriate for them.

The stories in this workbook are as follows:

1. Daniel in Babylon
2. The King has a Dream
3. Standing for God
4. Writing on the Wall
5. Daniel and the Lions

You will notice that the stories do not follow the older children’s lesson plans exactly. Instead we have tried to include highlights that would be comprehensible and enjoyable for this level of squirts. We have also used the New King James Version for all of the included passages.

On the page following, we have included the memory verses for the week. The squirts are not required to memorize them, but they may enjoy learning them to participate with the older siblings during the week.

Do what you can and enjoy the workbook. We look forward to seeing you at Youth Camp, God willing!

A special thanks to Auntie MJ Styles for the illustrations and Auntie Karen Pillion for the activity pages!

MEMORY VERSES

Monday — Daniel 1:8

But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.



Tuesday — Daniel 2:44

And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.



Wednesday — Daniel 3:17

If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king



Thursday — Daniel 4:17

This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men.



Friday — Daniel 6:26

I make a decree, That in every dominion of my kingdom men tremble and fear before the God of Daniel: for he is the living God, and steadfast for ever, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall be even unto the end.

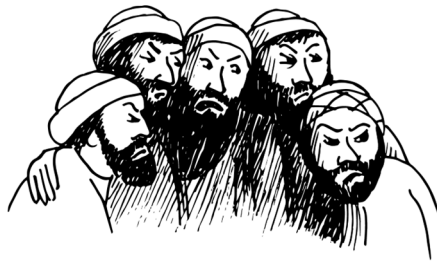


SECTION ONE: DANIEL IN BABYLON

Background to Daniel

Daniel was a boy who lived in Jerusalem. As a boy, he heard about a prophet named Jeremiah who was prophesying to the king, rulers, priests, and people of Judah. Jeremiah told them that they were acting wickedly and God was angry. Daniel heard that Jeremiah was prophesying to the people that terrible things were about to happen because the people would not listen to God or obey Him.

Jeremiah told the people that Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon would destroy Jerusalem. The wicked people who refused to obey God would die from sword, from hunger, and from disease. The wicked people did not like Jeremiah's message and did not want to change.



Jeremiah also had a message for the few good people left in the land of Israel. God would save them—they would not die by sword, hunger or disease. Nebuchadnezzar would take the few good people left as captives to live in Babylon. God also promised that after seventy years of exile in Babylon, they would be allowed to return home again.

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions on the next page.

Captives from Jerusalem — Daniel 1:1-5

¹In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it.

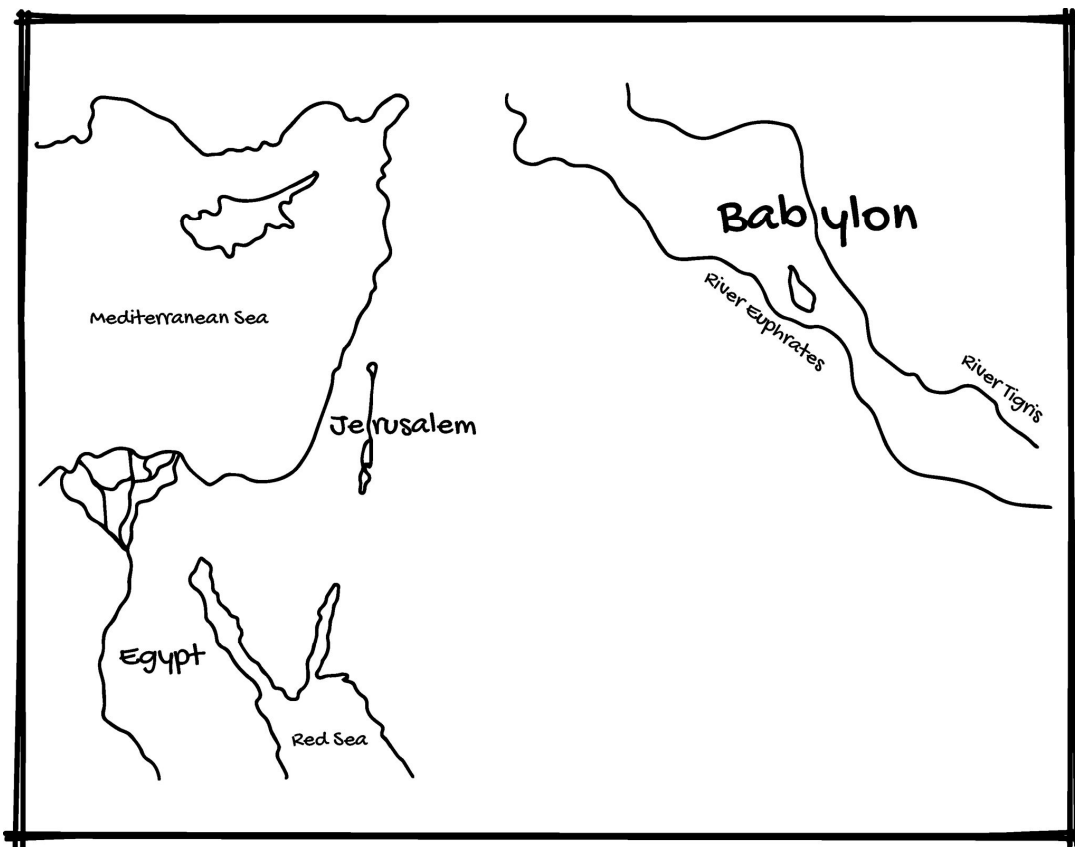
²And the Lord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with some of the articles of the house of God, which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the articles into the treasure house of his god.

³Then the king instructed Ashpenaz, the master of his eunuchs, to bring some of the children of Israel and some of the king's descendants and some of the nobles,

⁴young men in whom there was no blemish, but good-looking, gifted in all wisdom, possessing knowledge and quick to understand, who had ability to serve in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the language and literature of the Chaldeans.

⁵And the king appointed for them a daily provision of the king's delicacies and of the wine which he drank, and three years of training for them, so that at the end of that time they might serve before the king.

1. **Vs. 1** Use a red pencil or marker to colour the name of the king of Babylon that besieged Jerusalem (just like Jeremiah prophesied!)
2. On the map below, colour the name of the place that Nebuchadnezzar came against.
3. On the map below, colour the name of the place that Nebuchadnezzar came from.
4. **Vs. 2** Where did Nebuchadnezzar take the articles (or vessels) from God's house (fill in the blanks)? "The land of _____ to the house of his _____."
5. How do you think God felt about Nebuchadnezzar taking the vessels from His house and putting them in the house of an idol in Babylon? _____
6. **Vs. 3-4** King Nebuchadnezzar instructed Ashpenaz to bring captives back from Jerusalem. Circle what kind of captives Nebuchadnezzar wanted Ashpenaz to bring to Babylon. There will be more than one answer.
*young men *young women *old men *king's descendants *nobles
*poor *good-looking *filled with wisdom *funny *no blemish
6. On the map below, use a pencil to trace a path from Jerusalem to Babylon. The captives would have had to walk from their home in Jerusalem to Babylon.



Colour the Picture



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Refusing the King's Meat —Daniel 1:6-10

⁶ Now from among those of the sons of Judah were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.

⁷ To them the chief of the eunuchs gave names: he gave Daniel the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abed-Nego.

⁸ But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's delicacies, nor with the wine which he drank; therefore he requested of the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.

⁹ Now God had brought Daniel into the favor and goodwill of the chief of the eunuchs.

¹⁰ And the chief of the eunuchs said to Daniel, "I fear my lord the king, who has appointed your food and drink. For why should he see your faces looking worse than the young men who are your age? Then you would endanger my head before the king."

1. **Vs. 6** With a blue pencil, colour the names of the four captives from Judah.

2. **Vs. 7** Match the Hebrew name of the four captives with the Babylonian name they were given.

Daniel

Shadrach

Hananiah

Abed-Nego

Mishael

Belteshazzar

Azariah

Meshech



3. **Vs. 8** The king of Babylon had given food and wine for Daniel and his friends to eat and drink. Did Daniel want to eat what the king had provided? _____

4. **Vs. 10** Who was the chief of the eunuchs afraid of, if he listened to Daniel and did not make him eat the food and drink provided by the king? _____

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ten Day Test—Daniel 1:11-14

¹¹ So Daniel said to the steward whom the chief of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,

¹² "Please test your servants for ten days, and let them give us vegetables to eat and water to drink.

¹³ Then let our appearance be examined before you, and the appearance of the young men who eat the portion of the king's delicacies; and as you see fit, so deal with your servants."

¹⁴ So he consented with them in this matter, and tested them ten days.

1. Vs. 11-12 Daniel asked the chief of the eunuchs to test them for how many days? _____
2. Vs. 12 With your green pencil, colour what Daniel and his friends wanted to eat and drink instead of the food and wine provided by the king
3. Vs. 13-14 Did the chief of the eunuchs agree to Daniel's 10 day experiment? _____



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Ten Times Better—Daniel 1:15-21

15 And at the end of ten days their features appeared better and fatter in flesh than all the young men who ate the portion of the king's delicacies.

16 Thus the steward took away their portion of delicacies and the wine that they were to drink, and gave them vegetables.

17 As for these four young men, God gave them knowledge and skill in all literature and wisdom; and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.

18 Now at the end of the days, when the king had said that they should be brought in, the chief of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

19 Then the king interviewed them, and among them all none was found like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah; therefore they served before the king.

20 And in all matters of wisdom and understanding about which the king examined them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers who were in all his realm.

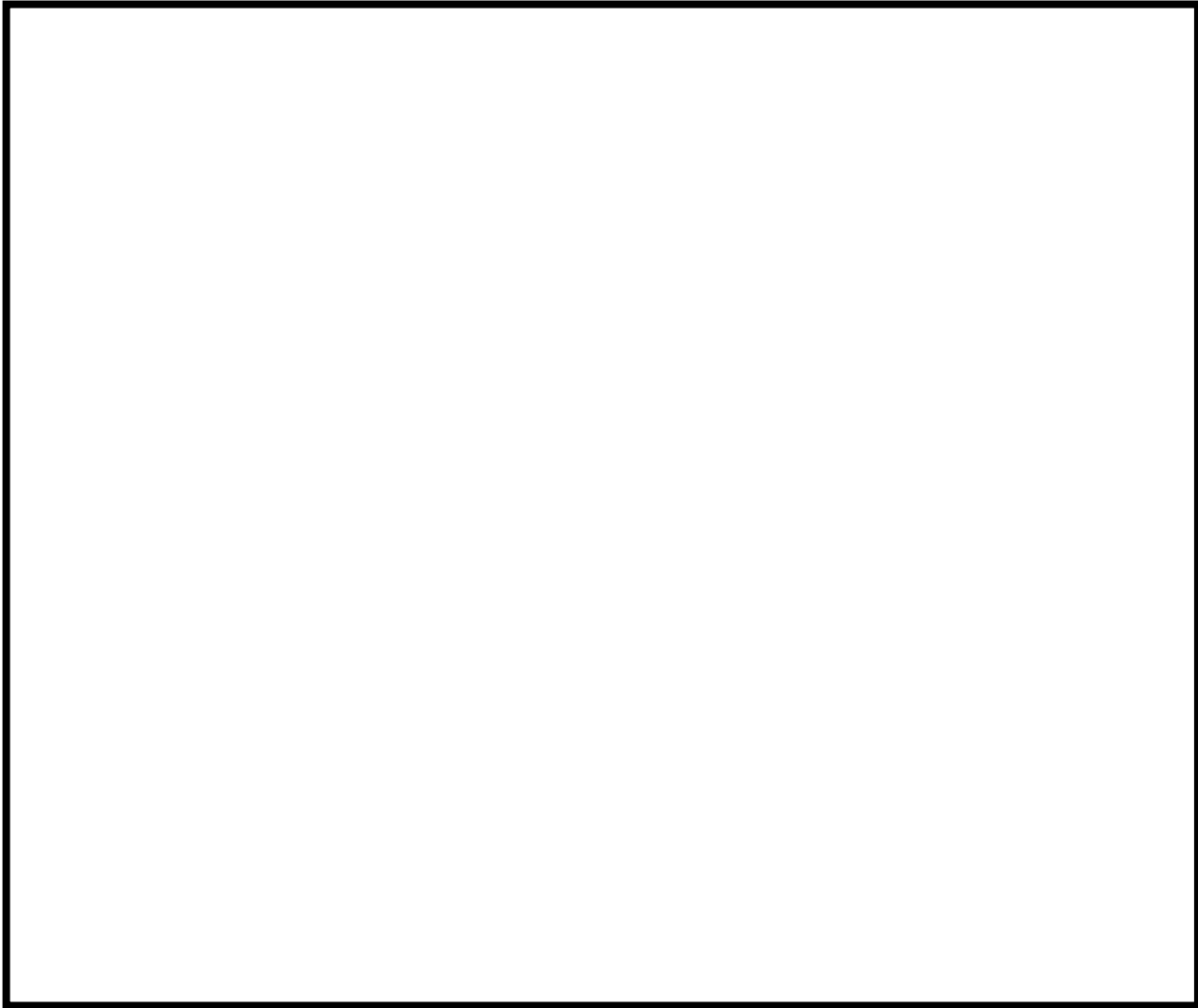
21 Thus Daniel continued until the first year of King Cyrus.

1. Vs. 15 At the end of ten days of eating vegetables and water, did Daniel and his three friends look better or worse?

2. Vs. 16 Were Daniel and his three friends allowed to continue eating vegetables instead of the food and wine that the king provided? -----
3. Vs. 17 With your blue pencil, colour who gave Daniel and his three friends knowledge and skill.
4. Vs. 18 With your red pencil, colour who Daniel and his three friends were brought before.
5. Vs. 19-20 Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah were ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers in Babylon in what ways?
A) Wisdom and understanding B) Sports C) Singing and dancing
6. Vs. 19 What ruler in Babylon did the king decide that Daniel and his three friends would serve?

DRAW

Imagine that you are Daniel or one of his three friends. In the box below, draw how you might feel, when you are taken away from your home and your family to serve a king in a different country. But Daniel and his friends trusted that God loved them and would take care of them even in a strange land. They would remember God's promise to Moses, and Joshua and the faithful children of Israel. Copy this promise below.



Joshua 1:9 "Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." _____

PRACTICAL CHALLENGE

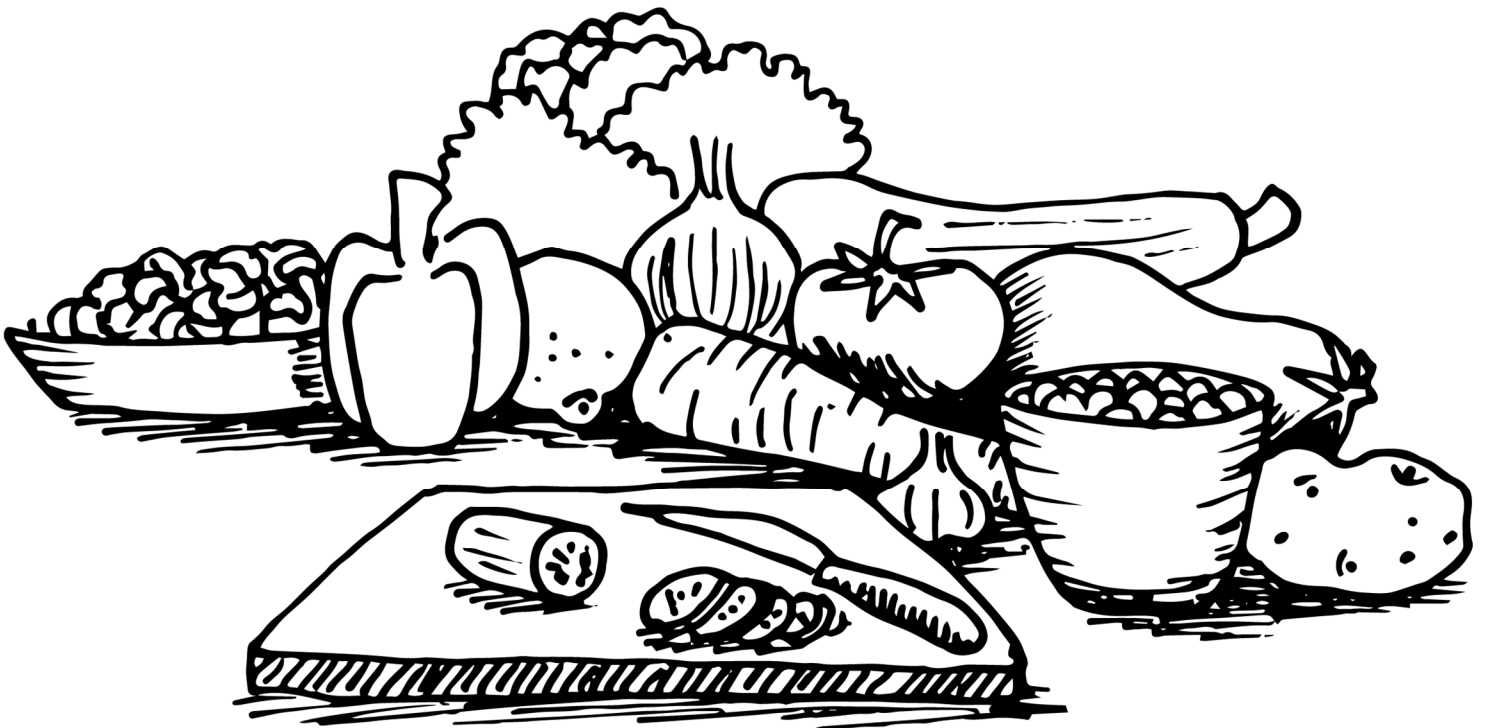


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Challenge #1

The king of Babylon gave Daniel and his friends food and wine that they knew God did not want them to eat and drink. Daniel and his friends chose to do the right thing even though it would have been very hard! They knew they could trust in God. They knew that even if the king got angry with them, they could trust that God would protect them.

Sometimes it can be hard to say or do the right thing. But even when it is hard, we can have courage because we can trust that God is with us! Can you think of a time when you might need courage to say or do the right thing?



SECTION TWO: THE KING HAS A DREAM

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream — Daniel 2:1-13

¹ Now in the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; and his spirit was so troubled that his sleep left him.

² Then the king gave the command to call the magicians, the astrologers, the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans to tell the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

³ And the king said to them, "I have had a dream, and my spirit is anxious to know the dream...

⁹ if you do not make known the dream to me, there is only one decree for you! For you have agreed to speak lying and corrupt words before me till the time has changed. Therefore tell me the dream, and I shall know that you can give me its interpretation."

¹⁰ The Chaldeans answered the king, and said, "There is not a man on earth who can tell the king's matter; therefore no king, lord, or ruler has ever asked such things of any magician, astrologer, or Chaldean.

¹¹ It is a difficult thing that the king requests, and there is no other who can tell it to the king except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh."

¹² For this reason the king was angry and very furious, and gave the command to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

¹³ So the decree went out, and they began killing the wise men; and they sought Daniel and his companions, to kill them.

1. Vs. 1 Nebuchadnezzar had dreams that troubled him so badly that he couldn't _____.
2. Vs. 2 With your red pencil, colour who the king called to tell him what he dreamed.
3. Vs. 10-11 The king wanted the magicians, astrologers, sorcerers, and Chaldeans to tell him what he dreamed and what it meant. Could the Chaldeans or any of the men the king called do that? _____.
4. Vs. 12 Nebuchadnezzar was so angry that the magicians, astrologers, sorcerers, and Chaldeans could not tell him his dream! What did he command must be done to all of the wise men of Babylon? _____.
5. Vs. 13 What was the king's guard about to do to Daniel and his friends? _____.

The King's Dream—Word Search

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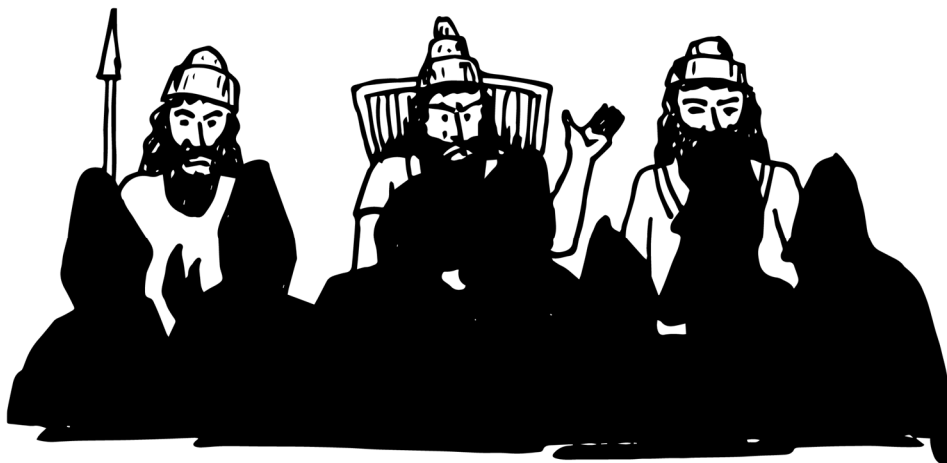
CHALDEANS

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God Shows Daniel the Dream —Daniel 2:14-19, 24-25

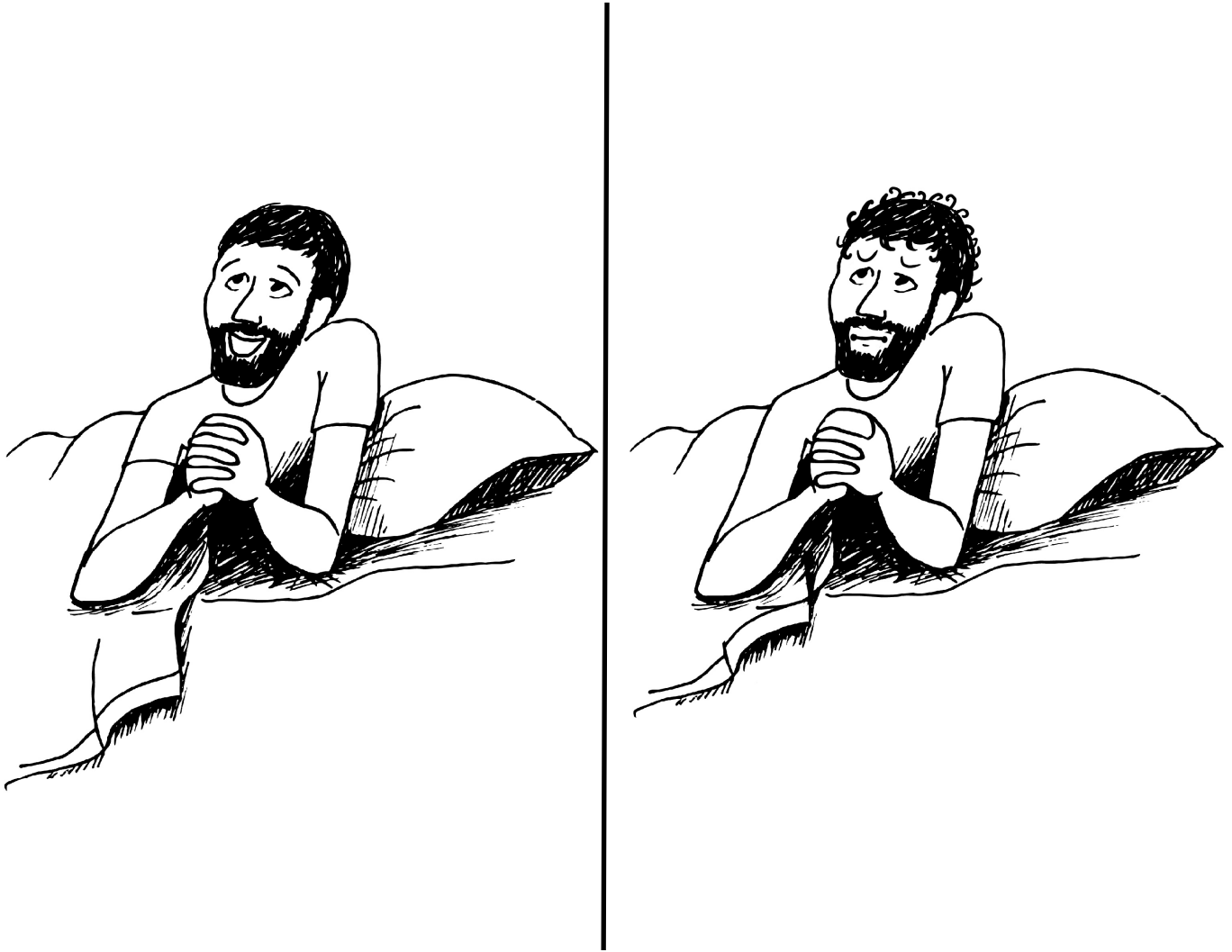
¹⁴ Then with counsel and wisdom Daniel answered Arioch, the captain of the king's guard, who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon;
¹⁵ he answered and said to Arioch the king's captain, "Why is the decree from the king so urgent?" Then Arioch made the decision known to Daniel.
¹⁶ So Daniel went in and asked the king to give him time, that he might tell the king the interpretation.
¹⁷ Then Daniel went to his house, and made the decision known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions,
¹⁸ that they might seek mercies from the God of heaven concerning this secret, so that Daniel and his companions might not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.
¹⁹ Then the secret was revealed to Daniel in a night vision. So Daniel blessed the God of heaven...
²⁴ Therefore Daniel went to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon. He went and said thus to him: "Do not destroy the wise men of Babylon; take me before the king, and I will tell the king the interpretation."
²⁵ Then Arioch quickly brought Daniel before the king, and said thus to him, "I have found a man of the captives of Judah, who will make known to the king the interpretation."

1. Vs. 14 With your red pencil, colour the name of Nebuchadnezzar's guard who was commanded to kill all the wise men of Babylon.
2. Vs. 14 Daniel answered Arioch "with c _____ and w _____."
3. Vs. 16 What did Daniel ask the king to give him? _____
4. Vs. 17-18 With your blue pencil, colour the name of Daniel's friends that he told the king's decision to so that they could pray to God with him.
5. Vs. 19 What did Daniel do when God revealed the secret of the dream to him?

6. Vs. 24 Colour with your red pencil the name of the person that Daniel went to talk to.
7. Vs. 24 Who should we remember to thank when our prayers are answered? _____
8. Vs. 25 Who did Arioch quickly bring Daniel to? _____

Daniel Blesses God—Spot the Differences

Can you spot four differences in the two pictures?



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Daniel Tells what the Dream Means —Daniel 2:27-28,31-35

27 Daniel answered in the presence of the king, and said, "The secret which the king has demanded, the wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, and the soothsayers cannot declare to the king.

28 But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days. Your dream, and the visions of your head upon your bed, were these...

31 "You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor was excellent, stood before you; and its form was awesome.

32 This image's head was of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze,

33 its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.

34 You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.

35 Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

1. Vs. 27-28 No wise man or any man on earth could tell the king what he had dreamed. With your blue pencil, colour who Daniel said COULD reveal what Nebuchadnezzar had dreamed.
2. Vs. 31 Nebuchadnezzar had seen in his dream a great _____
3. Vs. 32 What metal was the image's head made of? _____
What were its chest and arms made of? _____
What were its belly and thighs made of? _____
4. Vs. 33 What were its legs made of? _____
What were its feet made of? _____
5. Vs. 34 What struck and broke the image? _____
6. Vs. 35 With your green pencil, colour the stone that struck the image became.

Colour the Image in Nebuchadnezzar's Dream



- ⇒ **Head (Babylon) - Colour gold**
- ⇒ **Chest and arms (Medes and Persians) - Colour silver**
- ⇒ **Belly and Thighs (Greece) - Colour bronze**
- ⇒ **Legs (Rome) - Colour like iron**
- ⇒ **Feet pieces (many small kingdoms) - Colour like iron and clay**
- ⇒ **Stone (Jesus and God's Kingdom!) - Colour like a stone**

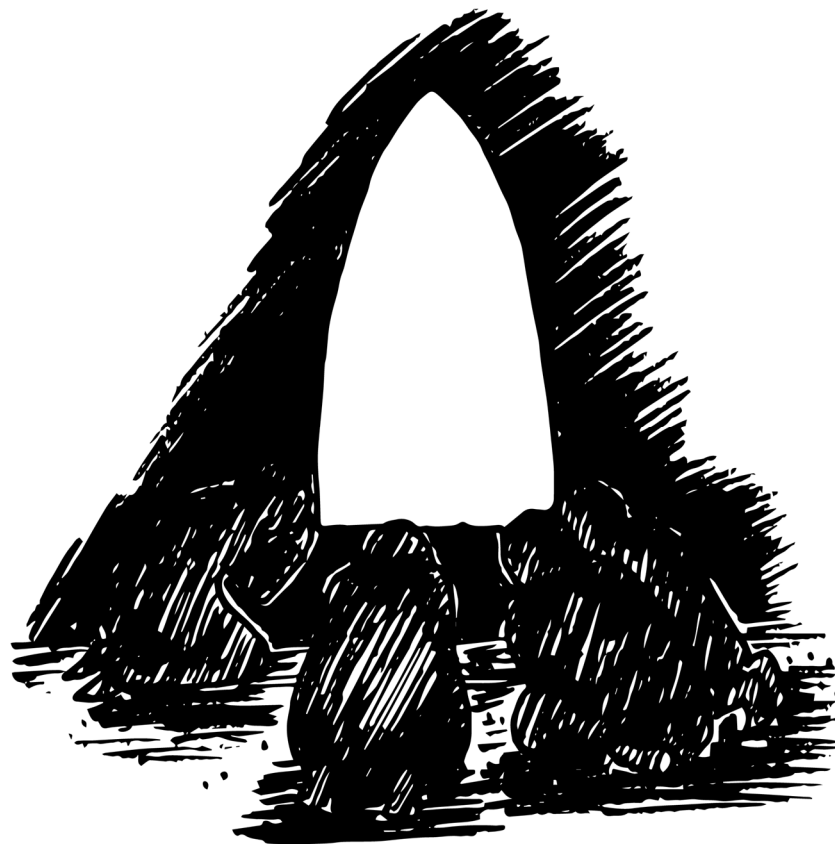
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Challenge #2

When Daniel and his friends found out that the king planned to kill all the wise men of Babylon (that included them!), who did they go to for help? Yes, that's right! They prayed to God. God answered their prayer and saved them death because He revealed to Daniel what Nebuchadnezzar had dreamed and what his dream meant. What is something that you can pray to God about? _____



SECTION THREE: STANDING FOR GOD

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

The Golden Image — Daniel 3: 1-2,4-6

¹*Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits and its width six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.*

²*And King Nebuchadnezzar sent word to gather together the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.*

⁴*Then a herald cried aloud: "To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages,*

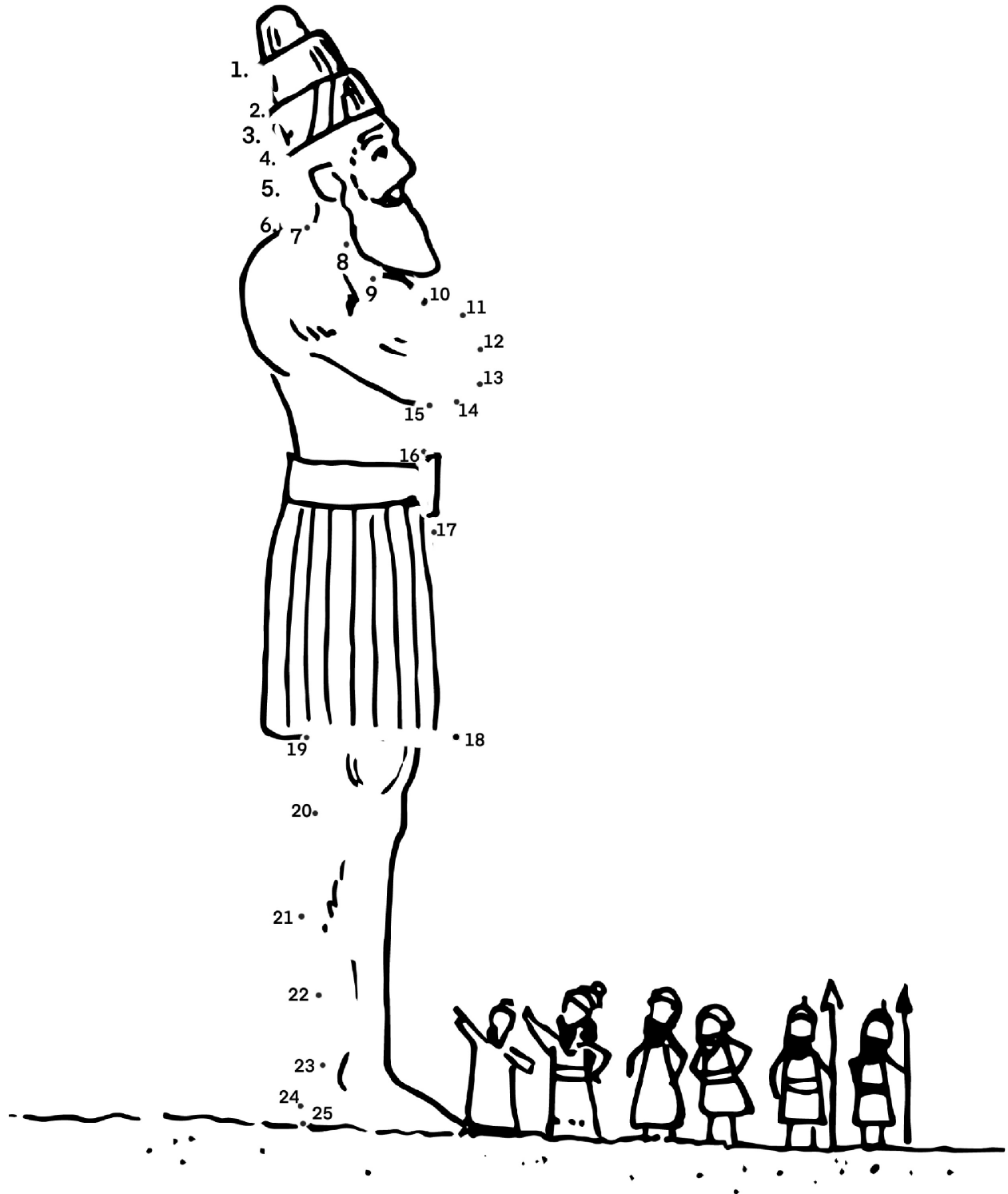
⁵*that at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, you shall fall down and worship the gold image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up;*

⁶*and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace."*

1. Vs. 1 With your red pencil, colour what king Nebuchadnezzar made.
2. Vs. 2 **Fill in the blank.** Nebuchadnezzar told the satraps, administrators, governors, counselors, treasurers, judges, magistrates, and all the officials to come to the dedication of the _____.
3. Vs. 4-5 With your red pencil, colour what all the people were commanded to do when they heard the instruments play music.
4. Vs. 6 What would happen immediately to whoever did not fall down and worship the gold image? _____



CONNECT THE DOTS



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego Won't Bow — Daniel 3:8-9, 12-18

⁸ Therefore at that time certain Chaldeans came forward and accused the Jews.

⁹ They spoke and said to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live forever! ...

¹² There are certain Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego; these men, O king, have not paid due regard to you. They do not serve your gods or worship the gold image which you have set up."

¹³ Then Nebuchadnezzar, in rage and fury, gave the command to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. So they brought these men before the king.

¹⁴ Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up?"

¹⁵ Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, good! But if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. And who is the god who will deliver you from my hands?"

¹⁶ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter.

¹⁷ If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king.

¹⁸ But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up."

1. Vs. 12 With your red pencil, colour what the Chaldeans told Nebuchadnezzar Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego were not doing
2. Vs. 13 How did Nebuchadnezzar feel when he heard that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego did not bow to the gold image? _____
3. Vs. 14-15 Nebuchadnezzar was willing to give Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego a second chance to bow before the golden image. Circle: True or False.
4. Vs. 16-17 Colour in blue Who Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego said would deliver them from the burning fiery furnace.
5. Vs. 18 Would Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego bow down to the image even if the true God would not deliver them from the burning, fiery furnace? _____

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In the Fire, but not Burnt— Daniel 3:19-25

19 Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated.

20 And he commanded certain mighty men of valor who were in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, and cast them into the burning fiery furnace.

21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

22 Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego.

23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace.

24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste and spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?"

They answered and said to the king, "True, O king."

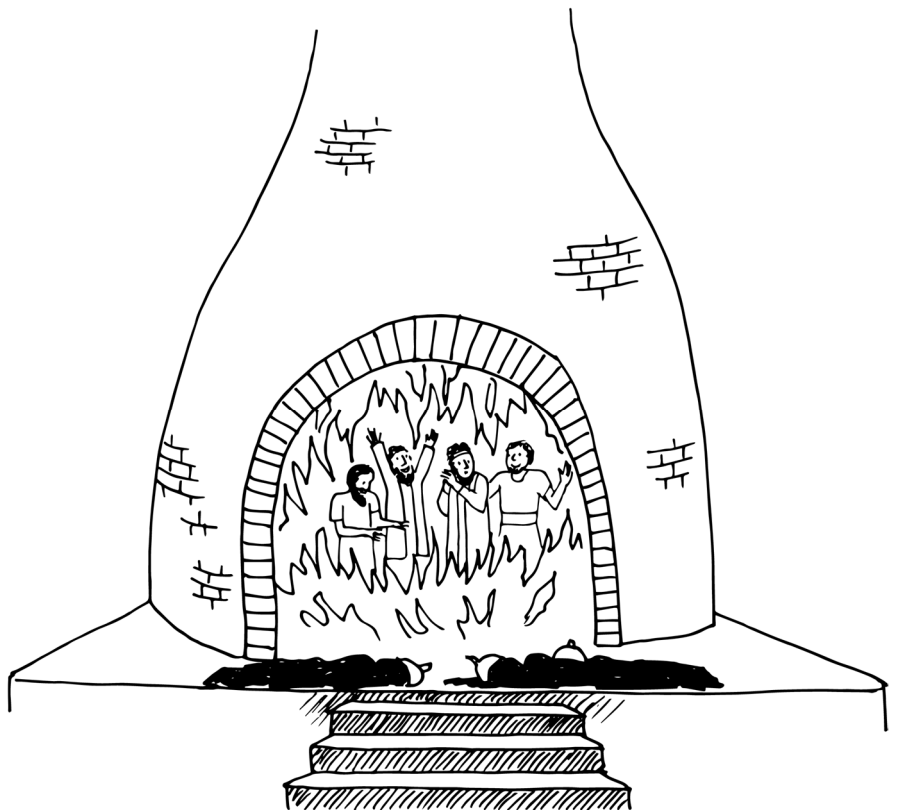
25 "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."

1. Vs. 19 How many times hotter did Nebuchadnezzar command that they heat the furnace? _____

2. Vs. 20 With your red pencil, colour who Nebuchadnezzar commanded to bind up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego.

3. Vs. 21-22 Colour in red who was killed by the fiery furnace.

4. Vs. 24-25 How many men did Nebuchadnezzar see walking, unbound, in the burning fiery furnace?



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Nebuchadnezzar's Decree — Daniel 3:19-25

26 Then Nebuchadnezzar went near the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and spoke, saying, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here." Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego came from the midst of the fire.

27 And the satraps, administrators, governors, and the king's counselors gathered together, and they saw these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and the smell of fire was not on them.

28 Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, who sent His Angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him, and they have frustrated the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they should not serve nor worship any god except their own God!

29 Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation, or language which speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made an ash heap; because there is no other God who can deliver like this."

30 Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego in the province of Babylon.

1. Vs. 26 With your blue pencil, colour who Nebuchadnezzar says Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego are the servants of.

2. Vs. 27 Did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego smell like smoke after they had been in the burning, fiery furnace?

3. Vs. 28 Colour in blue who Nebuchadnezzar blesses.

4. Vs. 29-30 Colour in red what Nebuchadnezzar said would happen to anyone who says anything against the true God of Israel.



PRACTICAL CHALLENGE

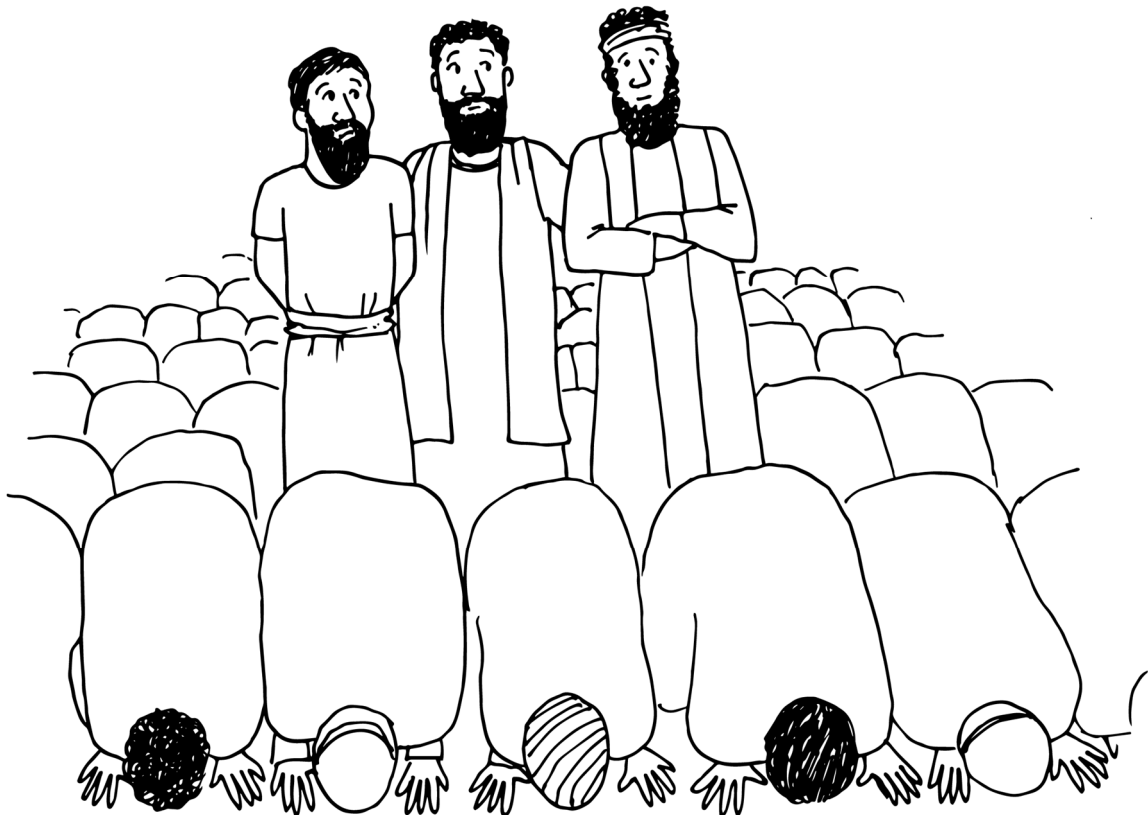


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Challenge #3

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego refused to worship the golden image. They would only worship the One, True God. Even when Nebuchadnezzar told them they would be thrown into the burning, fiery furnace, they refused to worship any god but the True God. They knew God could save them, but even if He didn't save them they would never, never worship an idol.

God wants us to always say and do the right things **EVEN IF** it is hard to do or it makes someone angry. Can you think of a time when it is hard to say or do the right thing, but you will do it anyway?



SECTION FOUR: WRITING ON THE WALL

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Belshazzar's Feast — Daniel 5:1-4

¹ *Belshazzar the king made a great feast for a thousand of his lords, and drank wine in the presence of the thousand.*

² *While he tasted the wine, Belshazzar gave the command to bring the gold and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had taken from the temple which had been in Jerusalem, that the king and his lords, his wives, and his concubines might drink from them.*

³ *Then they brought the gold vessels that had been taken from the temple of the house of God which had been in Jerusalem; and the king and his lords, his wives, and his concubines drank from them.*

⁴ *They drank wine, and praised the gods of gold and silver, bronze and iron, wood and stone.*

1. Vs. 1 Colour the name of the king of Babylon in red.
2. Vs. 2-3 Whose temple were the gold and silver vessels that Belshazzar used for his feast taken from?

3. Vs. 4 Colour in red who the people praised while they drank from the vessels from God's temple.



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Writing on the Wall— Daniel 5:5-8

⁵ In the same hour the fingers of a man's hand appeared and wrote opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace; and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

⁶ Then the king's countenance changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his hips were loosened and his knees knocked against each other.

⁷ The king cried aloud to bring in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers. The king spoke, saying to the wise men of Babylon, "Whoever reads this writing, and tells me its interpretation, shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around his neck; and he shall be the third ruler in the kingdom."

⁸ Now all the king's wise men came, but they could not read the writing, or make known to the king its interpretation.

⁹ Then King Belshazzar was greatly troubled, his countenance was changed, and his lords were astonished.

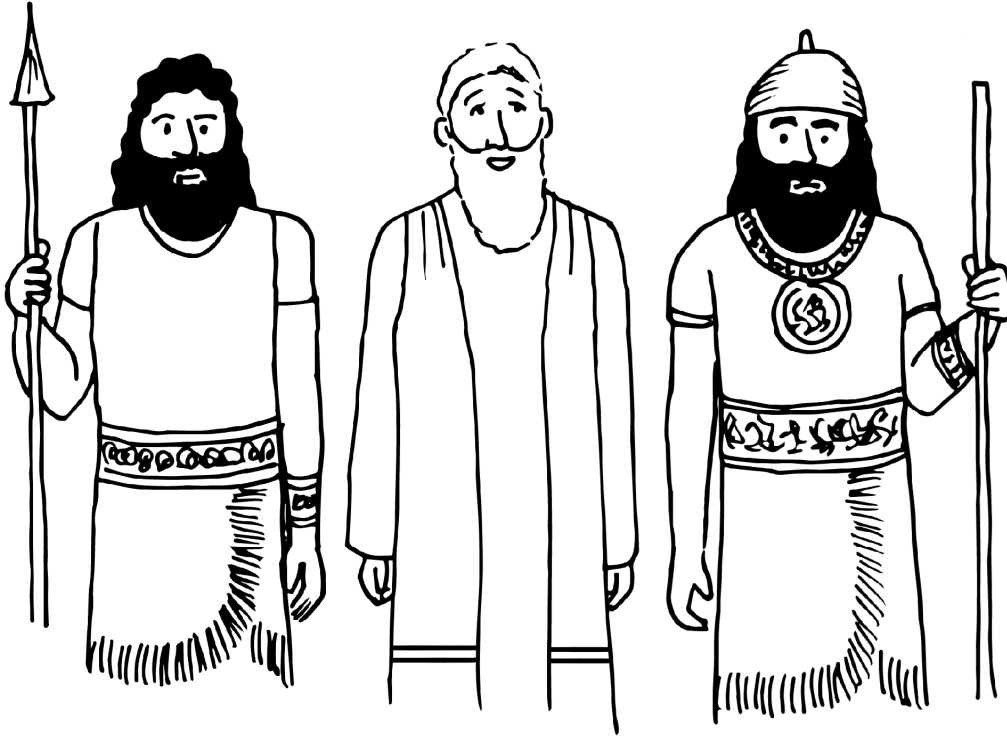


1. Vs. 5 What did the fingers of a man's hand write on?

2. Vs. 6 How did the king feel when he saw the writing on the wall? -----
3. Vs. 7 With your yellow pencil, colour the three things that the king would give to whomever could read the writing on the wall.
4. Vs. 8 Could the wise men of Babylon read and interpret the writing? -----
5. Vs. 9 When no wise man could read or interpret the writing King Belshazzar felt greatly tr ----- and his lords were as -----.

Writing on the Wall—Spot the Differences

Can you spot six differences in the two pictures?



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Daniel is Brought to the King — Daniel 5:13-17

¹³ Then Daniel was brought in before the king. The king spoke, and said to Daniel, "Are you that Daniel who is one of the captives from Judah, whom my father the king brought from Judah?"

¹⁴ I have heard of you, that the Spirit of God is in you, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom are found in you.

¹⁵ Now the wise men, the astrologers, have been brought in before me, that they should read this writing and make known to me its interpretation, but they could not give the interpretation of the thing.

¹⁶ And I have heard of you, that you can give interpretations and explain enigmas. Now if you can read the writing and make known to me its interpretation, you shall be clothed with purple and have a chain of gold around your neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom."

¹⁷ Then Daniel answered, and said before the king, "Let your gifts be for yourself, and give your rewards to another; yet I will read the writing to the king, and make known to him the interpretation.

1. Vs. 13 Who was brought before the king to read and interpret the writing on the wall?

2. Vs. 14 What had Belshazzar heard was found in Daniel?
 - 1) the Spirit of _____
 - 2) li _____
 - 3) und _____
 - 3) excellent w _____
3. Vs. 15 With your red pencil, colour who had already been brought before the king who could not read and interpret the writing
4. Vs. 16-17 Did Daniel want the king's gifts? _____



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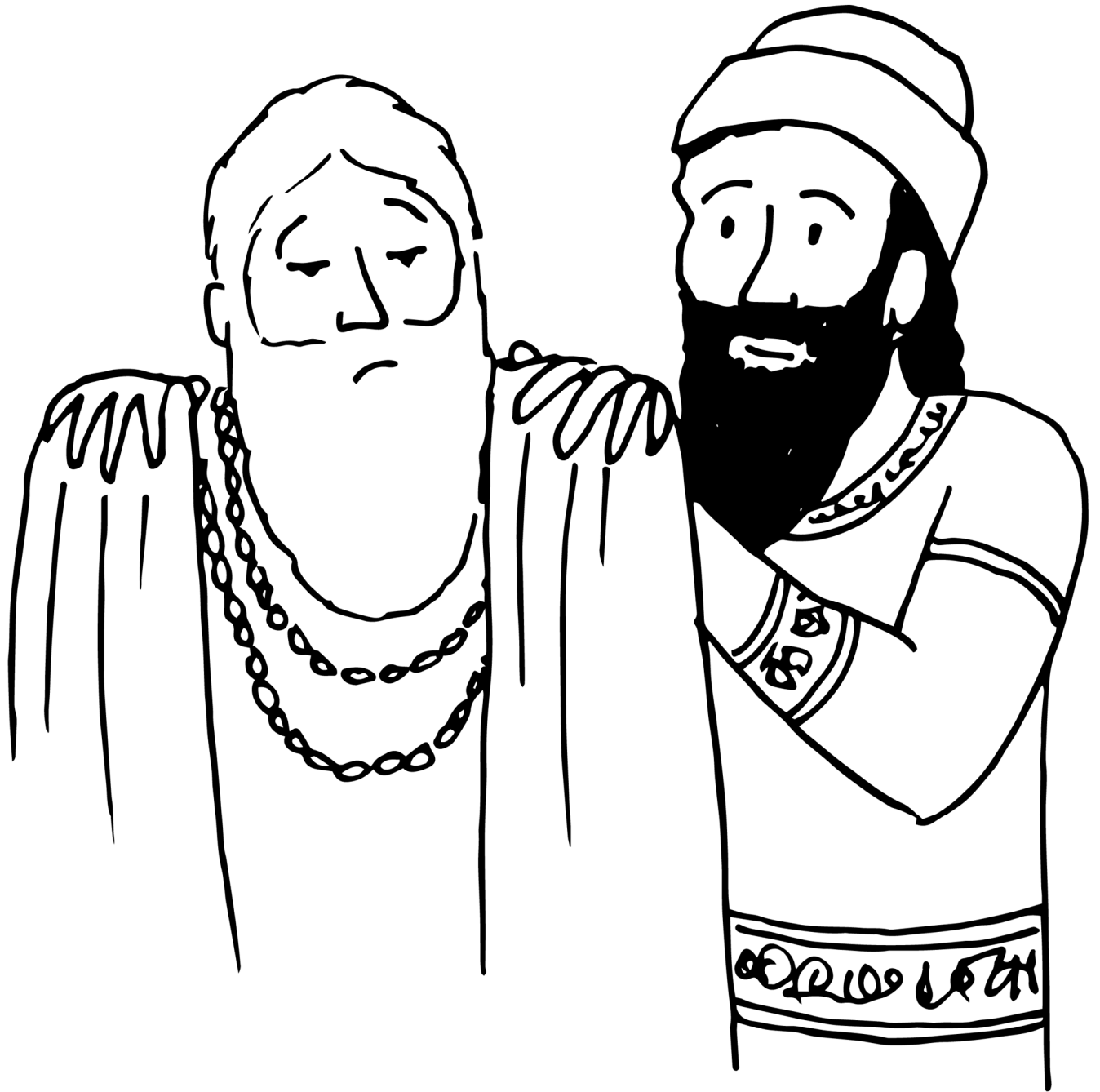
Daniel Reads and Interprets the Writing— Daniel 5:22-30

*22 "But you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, although you knew all this.
23 And you have lifted yourself up against the Lord of heaven. They have brought the vessels of His house before you, and you and your lords, your wives and your concubines, have drunk wine from them. And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, bronze and iron, wood and stone, which do not see or hear or know; and the God who holds your breath in His hand and owns all your ways, you have not glorified.
24 Then the fingers of the hand were sent from Him, and this writing was written.
25 "And this is the inscription that was written:
MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.
26 This is the interpretation of each word. **MENE:** God has numbered your kingdom, and finished it;
27 **TEKEL:** You have been weighed in the balances, and found wanting;
28 **PERES:** Your kingdom has been divided, and given to the Medes and Persians."
29 Then Belshazzar gave the command, and they clothed Daniel with purple and put a chain of gold around his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.
30 That very night Belshazzar, king of the Chaldeans, was slain.
31 And Darius the Mede received the kingdom, being about sixty-two years old.*

1. Vs. 22 Was Belshazzar humble or proud? _____
2. Vs. 23 Who did the king praise and worship instead of God? _____
3. Vs. 24-28 Draw a line to match each word with its interpretation.

MENE	You have been weighed in the balances and found wanting
TEKEL	Your kingdom has been divided and given to Medes and Persians
UPHARSIN/PERES	God has numbered your kingdom, and finished it
4. Vs. 29 How did Belshazzar reward Daniel for reading and interpreting the writing on the wall?
 - 1) Clothed him in _____
 - 2) Put a chain of _____ around his neck
 - 3) Made him the _____ ruler in the kingdom
5. Vs. 30 When did writing on the wall prophecy happen? That very _____
6. Vs. 31 With your red pencil, colour the name of the new king.

Writing on the Wall—Colour the Picture



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Challenge #4

King Belshazzar did not glorify God. God made everything! Belshazzar worshipped false idols of silver, gold, brass, iron, wood and stone, instead of praising and worshipping the God who made those things. We do not worship idols, but sometimes we could do a better job of remembering to praise and thank God for all the things that we have! Can you look around you and think of three things that you would like to praise and thank God for right now?

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____



SECTION FIVE: DANIEL AND THE LIONS

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Darius' Decree — Daniel 6:1-9

¹ *It pleased Darius to set over the kingdom one hundred and twenty satraps, to be over the whole kingdom;*

² *and over these, three governors, of whom Daniel was one, that the satraps might give account to them, so that the king would suffer no loss.*

³ *Then this Daniel distinguished himself above the governors and satraps, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king gave thought to setting him over the whole realm.*

⁴ *So the governors and satraps sought to find some charge against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find no charge or fault, because he was faithful; nor was there any error or fault found in him.*

⁵ *Then these men said, "We shall not find any charge against this Daniel unless we find it against him concerning the law of his God."*

⁶ *So these governors and satraps thronged before the king, and said thus to him: "King Darius, live forever!"*

⁷ *All the governors of the kingdom, the administrators and satraps, the counselors and advisors, have consulted together to establish a royal statute and to make a firm decree, that whoever petitions any god or man for thirty days, except you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions.*

⁸ *Now, O king, establish the decree and sign the writing, so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not alter."*

⁹ *Therefore King Darius signed the written decree.*

1. Vs. 1-2 What was the name of one of the three governors that Darius set over the kingdom? _____
2. Vs. 3 With your blue pencil, colour the reason that Darius thought to set Daniel the over the whole kingdom.
3. Vs 4 The other governors and satraps were jealous of Daniel. Could they find any fault with Daniel? _____
4. Vs. 6-7 According to the new law that the governors and satraps made, who was the only person or God that could be prayed to for thirty days? _____
5. Vs. 7 With your red pencil, colour what would happen to anyone who prayed to anyone other than Darius.
6. Vs. 8-9 Could the new law be cancelled or changed? _____



CRACK THE CODE

Use the code key to solve the following question:

According to whose law could decrees not be canceled or changed?

A - 1	N - 14
B - 2	O - 15
C - 3	P - 16
D - 4	Q - 17
E - 5	R - 18
F - 6	S - 19
G - 7	T - 20
H - 8	U - 21
I - 9	V - 22
J - 10	W - 23
K - 11	X - 24
L - 12	Y - 25
M - 13	Z - 26

13	5	4	5	19	and	16	5	18	19	9	1	14	19

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Daniel Prays — Daniel 6:10-15

¹⁰ Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went home. And in his upper room, with his windows open toward Jerusalem, he knelt down on his knees three times that day, and prayed and gave thanks before his God, as was his custom since early days.

¹¹ Then these men assembled and found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.

¹² And they went before the king, and spoke concerning the king's decree: "Have you not signed a decree that every man who petitions any god or man within thirty days, except you, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions?"

The king answered and said, "The thing is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which does not alter."

¹³ So they answered and said before the king, "That Daniel, who is one of the captives from Judah, does not show due regard for you, O king, or for the decree that you have signed, but makes his petition three times a day."

¹⁴ And the king, when he heard these words, was greatly displeased with himself, and set his heart on Daniel to deliver him; and he labored till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

¹⁵ Then these men approached the king, and said to the king, "Know, O king, that it is the law of the Medes and Persians that no decree or statute which the king establishes may be changed."



1. Vs. 10 The king signed the decree that said anyone who prayed to any person or god besides himself would be thrown into the den of lions. When Daniel heard the decree, did he stop praying to God? _____
2. Vs. 11-12 The wicked men found Daniel praying. Who did they go to tell? _____
3. Vs. 13-14 With your yellow pencil, colour how king Darius felt when he heard that Daniel had broken the decree.

Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Daniel in the Den — Daniel 6:16-22

16 So the king gave the command, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions. But the king spoke, saying to Daniel, "Your God, whom you serve continually, He will deliver you."

17 Then a stone was brought and laid on the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signets of his lords, that the purpose concerning Daniel might not be changed.

18 Now the king went to his palace and spent the night fasting; and no musicians were brought before him. Also his sleep went from him.

19 Then the king arose very early in the morning and went in haste to the den of lions.

20 And when he came to the den, he cried out with a lamenting voice to Daniel. The king spoke, saying to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to deliver you from the lions?"

21 Then Daniel said to the king, "O king, live forever!

22 My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you."

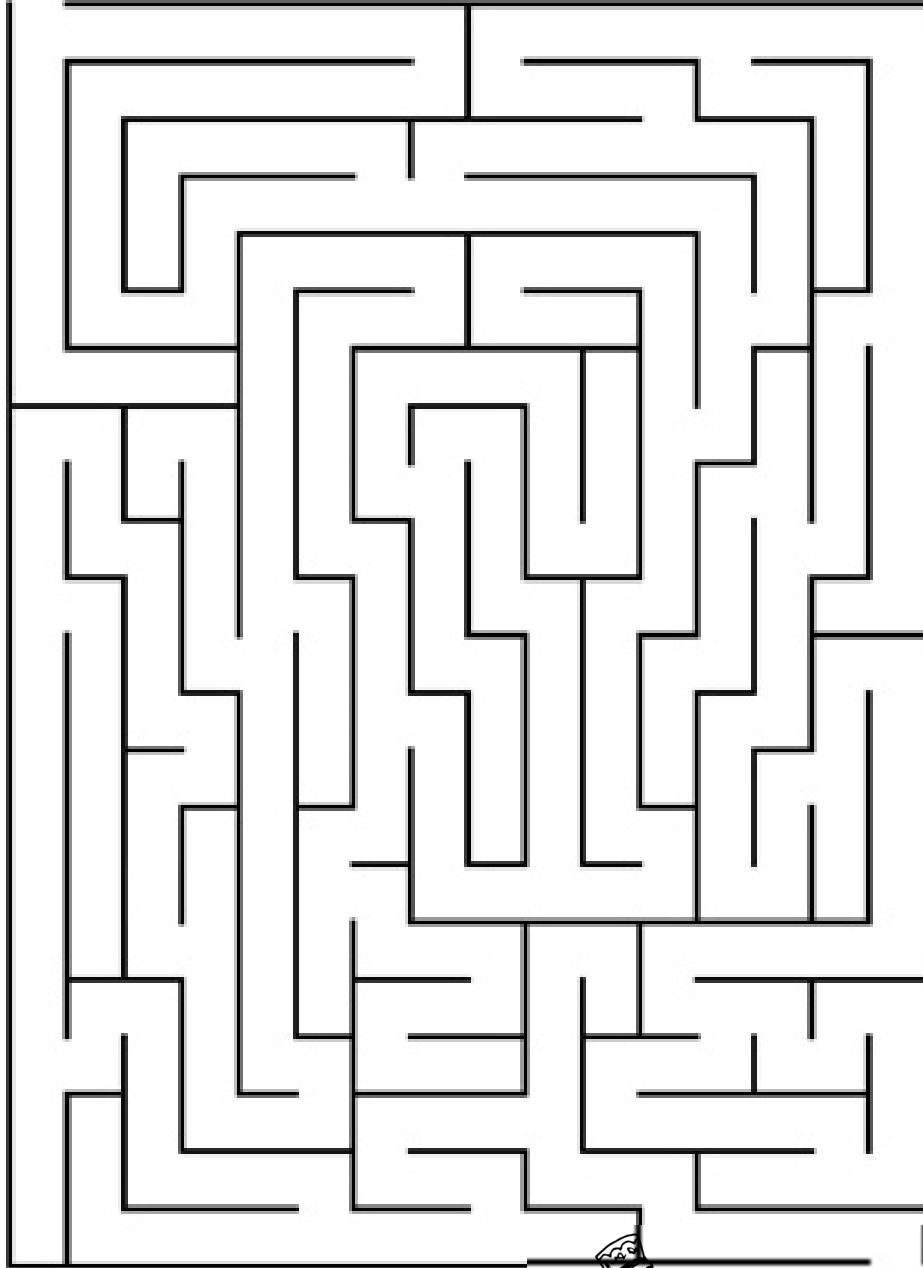
1. Vs. 16 The king tried to think of a way to save Daniel from the den of lions, but could not because his law could not be canceled or changed. Who did King Darius say could deliver Daniel? _____
2. Vs. 17 What was laid on the opening of the lion's den? _____
3. Vs. 18 King Darius was so upset that he didn't eat or listen to music all night. Could he sleep? _____
4. Vs. 19 Where did the king go first thing in the morning? _____
5. Vs. 20 With your blue pencil, colour Who the king says Daniel is a servant of. _____
6. Vs. 21-22 Who did Daniel say that God sent to shut the lions' mouths? _____



Daniel in the Lions' Den

Can you help Daniel get out of the lions' den in the morning?

Start!



Read the Bible passage in the box and use the verses to answer the questions below.

Daniel Delivered — Daniel 6:23-27

23 Now the king was exceedingly glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no injury whatever was found on him, because he believed in his God.

24 And the king gave the command, and they brought those men who had accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions—they, their children, and their wives; and the lions overpowered them, and broke all their bones in pieces before they ever came to the bottom of the den.

25 Then King Darius wrote:

To all peoples, nations, and languages that dwell in all the earth:

Peace be multiplied to you.

26 I make a decree that in every dominion of my kingdom men must tremble and fear before the God of Daniel.

For He is the living God,

And steadfast forever;

His kingdom is the one which shall not be destroyed,

And His dominion shall endure to the end.

27 He delivers and rescues,

And He works signs and wonders

in heaven and on earth,

Who has delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.

1. Vs. 23 With your yellow pencil, colour how King Darius felt when he heard that Daniel was not hurt at all.
2. Vs. 24 With your red pencil, colour what happened to the wicked men and their families... before they even came to the bottom of the lions' den!
3. Vs. 25-27 Fill in the list of what we learn about God in these verses.
 - 1) He is the God of D_____
 - 2) He is the li_____ God
 - 3) He is st_____ forever
 - 4) God's kingdom shall not be des_____
 - 5) his dominion will endure to the e_____
 - 6) He de_____ and res_____
 - 7) He works s_____ and wo_____
 - 8) He has delivered D_____ from the power of the li_____.

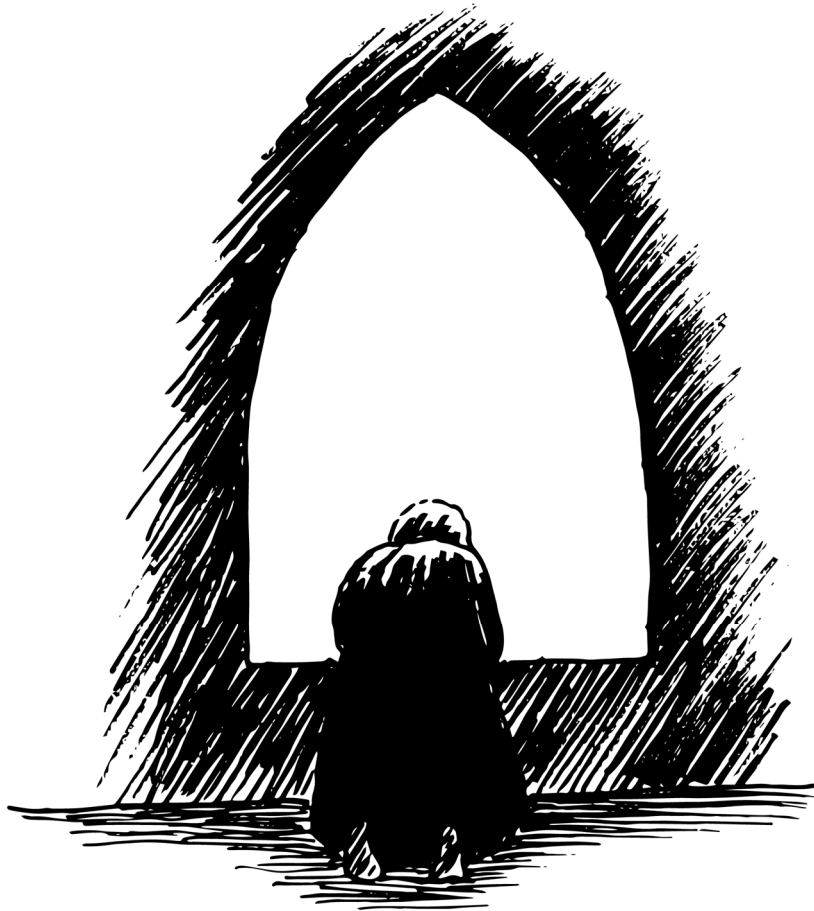
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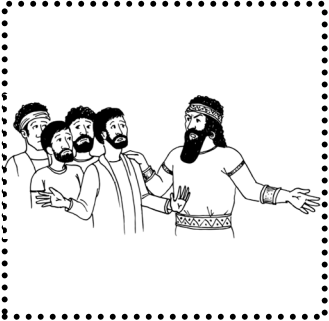
Challenge #5

Daniel prayed to God three times a day even though he knew that he would be thrown into a den of lions for praying. Do we pray like Daniel did, even though we will not be thrown into a den of lions for it? In the space below write down when you can pray to God and what you will pray to Him about.



FINISH THE STORY

Draw in the missing pictures to tell the story of Daniel



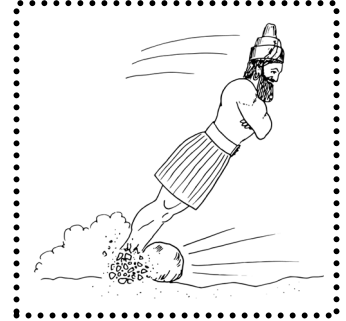
1. Daniel and his friends refuse the king's food



2. Daniel & friends are healthier than the rest



3. Nebuchadnezzar has a dream



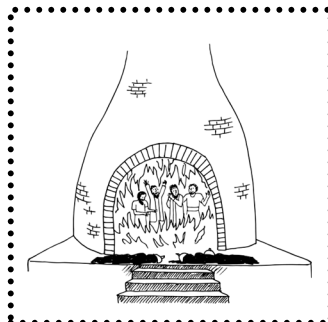
4. Daniel tells the king his dream and what it means



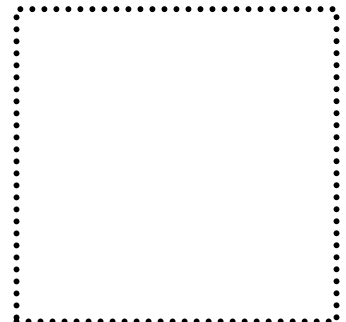
5. The king makes a golden image



6. Shadrach, Meshech and Abednego won't bow



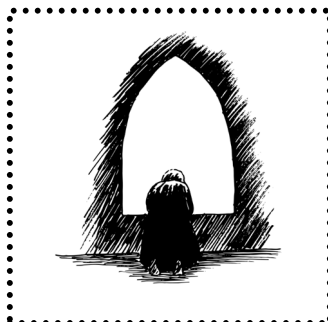
7. But the fiery furnace does not hurt them



8. A hand writes on the wall at the king's feast!



9. Daniel reads the writing and what it means



10. Daniel prays to God



11. Daniel is thrown into the lions' den



12. Daniel is safe from the lions!