

Hey families! Here's a look at what we're covering with your kids so you can help them continue to grow at home during the week.

GROW AT HOMF THIS WFFK

THIS WEEK

This week, the story of **Daniel in the lions' den** reveals how to stand up for God.

- BIG IDEA: Our courage can help others see God.
- BIBLE: Daniel 6

ASK THIS

Because sometimes you and your kid need a conversation-starter that isn't, "So ... how was church?"

- How did God protect Daniel in the lions' den?
- How can you show courage this week and help others see how great God is?

REMEMBER THIS

This month, your kids are memorizing the Bible verse **1 Chronicles 16:25,** in case you want to work on them together.

NEXT WEEK

Next week, we're starting a new series! Check your email for next month's monthly view of what's coming up!

MEMORY VERSE: "For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods." 1 Chronicles 16:25 (NIV)



Scan the QR code for a memory verse sign language tutorial video you can share with your families and volunteers!

OBJECT LESSON | Rope Rescue

- INSTRUCTIONS: For this object lesson, watch a short clip from a video like <u>this one</u>, or something like it, to learn this simple rope trick to help retell the Bible story. Then, get about two feet of rope and practice the trick, so you can do it smoothly. Have extra rope for kids to learn the story with the trick afterwards.
- Daniel worked for King Darius and was *really* good at his job. He was so great that the king planned to put Daniel in charge of the whole kingdom.
 - The other royal workers became jealous of Daniel and wanted to get him in trouble. They probably imagined Daniel getting tied up and taken away to jail.
 - Start tying a knot as you talk about getting Daniel in trouble.
- So they tried to see if he was dishonest in his work so they could report him to the king.
 - o But that didn't work because Daniel was very honest in everything he did.
 - Reverse the knot to undo it.
- The only way to get him in trouble was if it had something to do with his faith in God.
 - So they tricked King Darius into making a law where people could only pray to the king for 30 days.
 People who broke this law would be thrown into the lions' den.
 - o This didn't stop Daniel. He courageously prayed to God in front of his open window at home.
 - Tie the trick knot as you talk.
- The jealous royal workers saw this and reported it to the king. The king had no choice but to put Daniel into the lions' den.
 - o I bet the jealous workers thought they had Daniel tied up for good!
 - Show the finished knot.
- Little did they know how powerful God was. God sent an angel to shut the mouths of the lions so they couldn't hurt Daniel all night.
 - o The jealous workers' plan failed again!
 - Pull the ends of the rope so that the knot comes undone.
- King Darius liked Daniel a lot and hoped that Daniel's God would save him. So when he opened the lions'
 den the next morning, the king was so relieved to find Daniel safe and sound that he praised God in front of
 everyone in the kingdom! He even wrote to other kingdoms to tell them how God had saved Daniel.
- Daniel's courage helped others see God. Our courage can help others see God, too!

