

Week 4: Daniel's Choice Daniel 1:1-20

King Nebuchadnezzar ordered that young men from Jerusalem be taken to Babylon. These men would learn and become workers and helpers to the king. Daniel and his three friends were taken. The king sent food from his table for the men to eat. Daniel knew that the king's food was not what God wanted them to eat. If Daniel ate the king's food, he would disobey God. Daniel told the king's official that he did not want to eat the king's food. The official knew he would be punished if Daniel and his friends looked worse than the other men. Daniel spoke to the guard and said, "Give us only vegetables and water for ten days. See if we look worse than the other men." That's what the guard did. After ten days, Daniel and his friends looked healthier than the other men.

CORE CONCEPT BIBLE

God's DESIGN for the Bible

- Why is it important to do what the Bible says?
- Why is following God not always easy?
- As a family consider making reading the Bible daily a priority. The One Year Bible, Jesus Storybook Bible, and/or Action Bible are great resources to read together as a family.



LIVE IT OUT

Have you ever been in a new state or a new country? Maybe you have traveled to Texas where they have cowboy boots and hats or maybe you have been to the beach where the weather is warm. Today our story unfolded with Daniel and his friends being taken from their homeland to a new land. They were not on vacation though, they were exiled from their home and forced to live in Babylon. In this new land they wanted to continue to obey God. God is with you wherever you go! Make a pretend map with your preschooler. Place a J representing Jerusalem on one side of the paper and a B representing Babylon on the opposite side of the page. Let them draw a line between the J & B. Then after they draw their line go on a scavenger hunt! Do the scavenger hunt before a meal time, and tell them they are going to find some veggies to eat just like Daniel and his friends ate. Once they have found the veggies, remind them of the story they learned on Sunday and remind them that we can obey God too!



Life Point: The stories in the Bible really happened.

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Daniel and three friends were among a group of young men who were taken to Babylon. They would learn to serve the king. The men were given the same food the king ate. Daniel was determined not to disobey God's law by eating the king's food. Daniel went to an official and asked not to eat the king's food. The guard was worried that Daniel and his friends would not be as healthy as the others. Daniel suggested that he and his friends eat only vegetables and drink only water for ten days. At the end of ten days the guard could decide how he and his friends looked. The guard agreed. At the end of the ten days the four men looked better than all the other men! The guard agreed that Daniel and his friends could continue to eat only vegetables and drink only water. God gave Daniel and his friends knowledge and wisdom.

CORE CONCEPT

BIBLE

God's DESIGN for the Bible

- What are some benefits of reading God's Word according to Psalm 19:7-8?
- How reassuring is it to know God and His Truth never change?
- How does it make you feel to know that God will always be with you?



LIVE IT OUT



Have you ever obeyed God when others were not obeying God? As your child gets older they will face more and more situations where friends choose differently than they do. Tell them a story of a time when you chose to obey God while others were doing things that were not pleasing to God. For example, maybe you left a movie because you knew the content of the movie was not pleasing to God. These are the times in our lives when we are learning to hear the voice of God, and where we learn to obey Him. Daniel and his friends learned this lesson as they obeyed God in a foreign land. After you tell your story of when you obeyed God when others around you were not, have your child think if they have experienced a time like this. As a family use this time to pray and ask God to help your family hear God's voice and obey Him. Read together Psalm 19. This Psalm begins with praise of God (19:1-6), then moves to honoring the Word of God (19:7-11), and finishes with the Palmist's plea with God that He will guard his heart (19:12-14). Consider praying Psalm 19 together as a family this week.

Life Point: The truths in the Bible never change.

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