

HOME connection

OT Unit: Courage to Stand Alone, Lesson 2

D6 Family Theme:
Standing Against Idolatry

OBJECTIVES

Know: God delivered the young Hebrew men who remained faithful to Him even under the threat of death.

Think: I will remain faithful to God even when it could cost me greatly.

Do: Bring glory to God by being faithful to Him no matter the circumstances.



READ: LISTEN TO GOD

Read Daniel 3:1–30.

When King Nebuchadnezzar demanded that everyone bow down to the golden image, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego courageously refused to worship anyone other than the true God. This was a decision they were willing to die for!



PRAY: TALK TO GOD

Remain faithful to God, trusting Him to bring glory to His name through you. Pray that you and your family will live faithful lives so that you will be witnesses to the lost people in your lives.



DO: WALK WITH GOD

OPTION 1: Set up a debate for your children. It can be between you and them or a friend and them. It can be about why their favorite fruit or animal is the best. They will have to “argue” and stand up for what they believe in. This is what Daniel and his friends had to do. Even though everyone was telling them they were wrong, they still stood strong and spoke up for what they knew was right.

OPTION 2: Ask your family about *peer pressure*. How does it operate? How susceptible to it are we? When have we seen it at work? Strategize with your children to give them vocabulary and encouragement about standing up to peer pressure. Help them to develop confidence and courage to stand for what is right, even if they must stand alone.



PRE-SCHOOL

Today your child learned the jealous men told King Darius that Daniel prayed to someone other than him. The king really liked Daniel, but because of the law, Daniel had to be thrown into the lions' den. King Darius hoped the God that Daniel prayed to would help save him from the lions. **God Helps His Children.**



K & 1 GRADE



2 & 3 GRADE



4 & 5 GRADE

Today your student learned that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego showed courage when they refused to bow to a large gold statue. They only worshiped the one, true God. The three men were thrown into a fiery furnace, but God protected them. Because of their choice, King Nebuchadnezzar knew their God was the one, true God.



YOUNG TEEN



HIGH SCHOOL

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stood up against the king's orders. They refused to bow down to the idol he erected, even if it cost them their lives. Your teens learned today about making unpopular choices in order to stay true to God. Like the three Hebrew children, they can be confident that God will be with them, help them, and protect them for doing what is right.



YOUNG ADULT

Group members examined the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and the importance of standing against idolatry. They were challenged to bring glory to God by being faithful to Him no matter the circumstances.



ADULT

Adult groups discussed how God delivered the young Hebrew men who remained faithful to Him even under the threat of death. Members were encouraged to bring glory to God by being faithful to Him no matter the circumstances.