



DANIEL 6:1-10

We are learning that **God Helps His Children**. Today we learned Daniel prayed to God daily, and he asked God for His help. Use the following ideas to involve your child in family time and learning opportunities, reinforcing simple biblical themes.

HEARTPRINT: GOD HELPS HIS CHILDREN

The Heartprint is the main Bible concept or truth from each unit that we want to imprint upon your child's heart. Repeating this Heartprint often may seem redundant, but it will serve as a vital aid in teaching this truth to your preschooler.

APPLICATION VERSE: God will help me (Isaiah 50:7a).

PLAY

Your child learned that Daniel prayed to God three times a day. Play a game where you do everything three times. Give a command such as "jump" and say it three times. Perform the actions along with your child. Use motions like jumping, clapping, and stomping. You may also want to sing songs or say phrases three times. Get more creative each time, and have fun. Remind your child he or she can pray anytime and anywhere, and God always hears every prayer.

God Helps His Children.

PRACTICE

Remind your child about the importance of talking to God every day. When we talk to God, we get to know Him better. He wants us to come to Him for help. If you notice your child is anxious or scared about something, stop at that moment and pray with him or her. Help your child develop the habit of prayer by choosing a time in the morning, evening, and night to pray to God. Thank God, pray for a family member or friend, ask Him for His help in a situation, and tell God you love Him. Do this daily to emphasize the importance of a consistent prayer life.

SING

Sing this song with your child to the tune of "God Is So Good."

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RESPOND

Pray with your child, and thank God for hearing our prayers and helping us. The following is a rhyme your child uses in class to settle down for prayer time:

Open and shut them, open and shut them
(open and close fingers),

Give your hands a clap (clap hands).

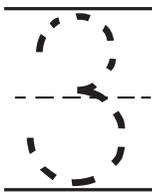
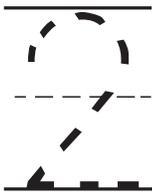
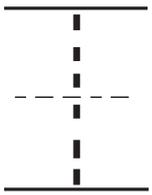
Open and shut them, open and shut them
(open and close fingers),

Put them in your lap (put your hands together in your lap).

Even at this age, children can participate and learn to be still during a short prayer time.

Daniel prayed

three times a day.



TEACHER/PARENT INSTRUCTIONS: Encourage the child to trace the numbers and circle that number of pictures. Daniel prayed to God and He helped Daniel. **God Helps His Children.**