



### DANIEL 6:10-16

We are learning that **God Helps His Children**. Today we learned God sent an angel to protect Daniel in the lions' den. 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).

#### TALK

King Darius stayed up all night wondering if Daniel was going to survive the lions' den. What King Darius didn't know was that God was taking care of the situation. There was no need to worry. When we are faced with difficult situations, how do your children see you? Are you putting your faith in God to help you during these times? Talk with your child about turning to God to help you in scary situations. **God Helps His Children.**

#### EXPLORE

Learn about lions with your child. Go to the library and read about them or look up pictures of them on the Internet. Watch a children's animal video with lions in it. Consider taking a trip to your local zoo to watch the lions. Talk with your child about a lion's strength and potential danger. Explain to your child that God is stronger than any ferocious animal or any other being. He was able to close the strong jaws of the lions to protect Daniel. **God Helps His Children.**

#### SING

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

**God helps His children.**

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**God helps His children.**

**He hears every word.**

#### RESPOND

Pray with your child, and praise God saving Daniel from the lions. Ask Him to help you in every situation. 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).

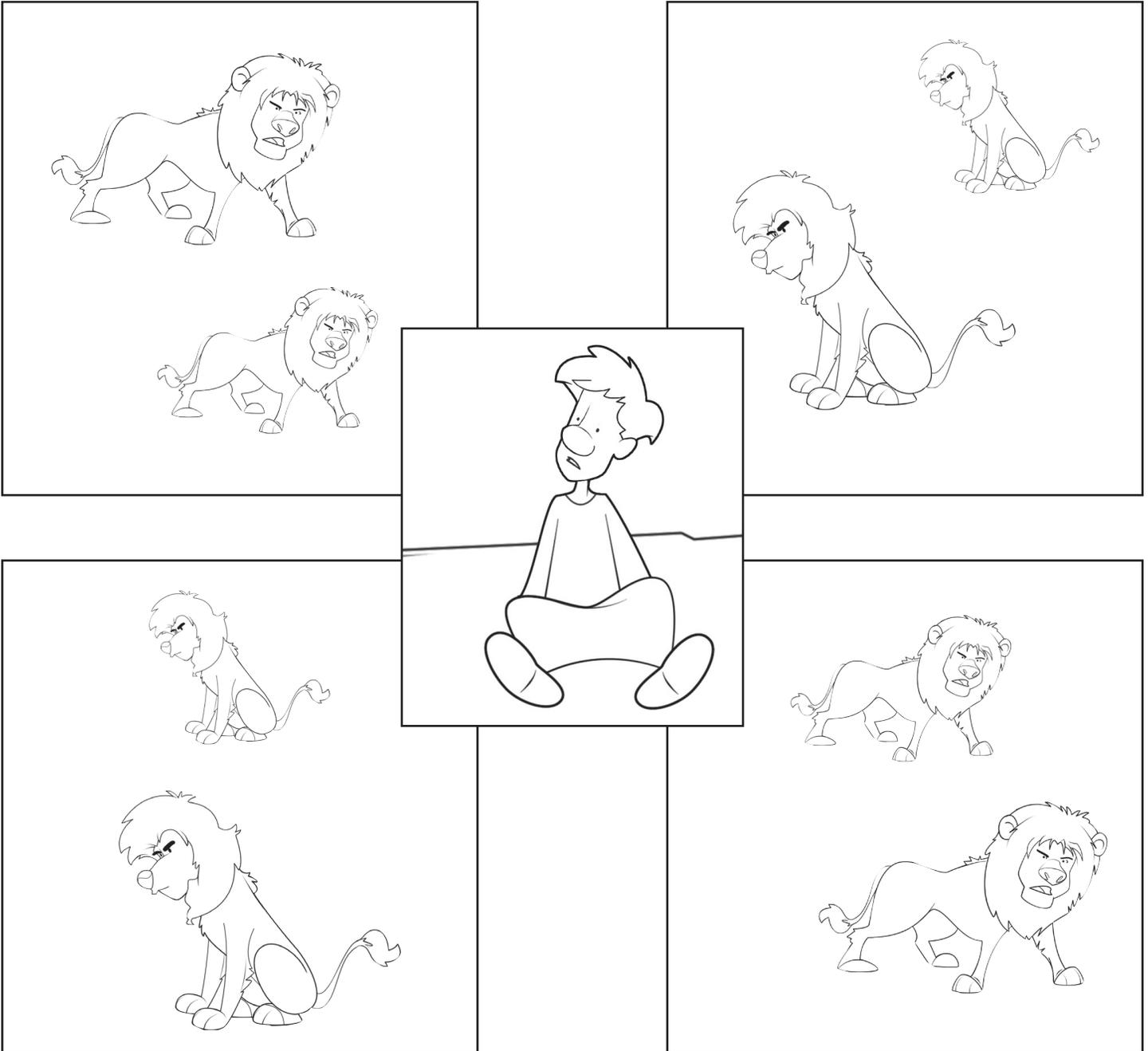
**Open and shut them, open and shut them**  
(open and close fingers),

**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.

God helped

Daniel.



**TEACHER/PARENT INSTRUCTIONS:** Encourage the child to circle the larger lion in each set and color the picture of Daniel. God helped keep Daniel safe in lions' den because **God Helps His Children.**