



# TAKE 'n TALK

## Old Testament Lesson 4

### DANIEL 6:10-16

We are learning that **God Helps His Children**. Today we learned Mrs. Webster prayed for God's help in a scary situation. 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

The Webster story your child heard involved Rosie wandering away from her mommy at the grocery store. This story provides an excellent opportunity to remind your child about the importance of staying close to you when in public places. There's a fine line between instilling a healthy fear and making your child anxious. But do talk about what to do if he or she becomes separated from you. Explain that strangers are simply people you don't know and they can be good and bad, but that they shouldn't interact with strangers without you unless it's an emergency. Finally, remind your child to pray and ask God to help whenever he or she is in a scary situation. **God Helps His Children.**

#### PRACTICE

Begin with practicing the power of prayer by praying with your child asking God to help you and your child in scary situations. Ask Him to help you make choices that keep you safe. Then practice safety with your child by role-playing different situations your child may find him or herself in. Practice how to recognize and understand the difference between good strangers (people you know that your child does not, authority figures, teachers, etc.) and bad ones (those who could potentially harm your child). Practice what to do if your child becomes separated from you in different places (church, grocery store, park, etc.).

#### SING

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

**God helps His children.**

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**He hears every word.**

#### RESPOND

Pray with your child, thanking God for helping you and your family 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),

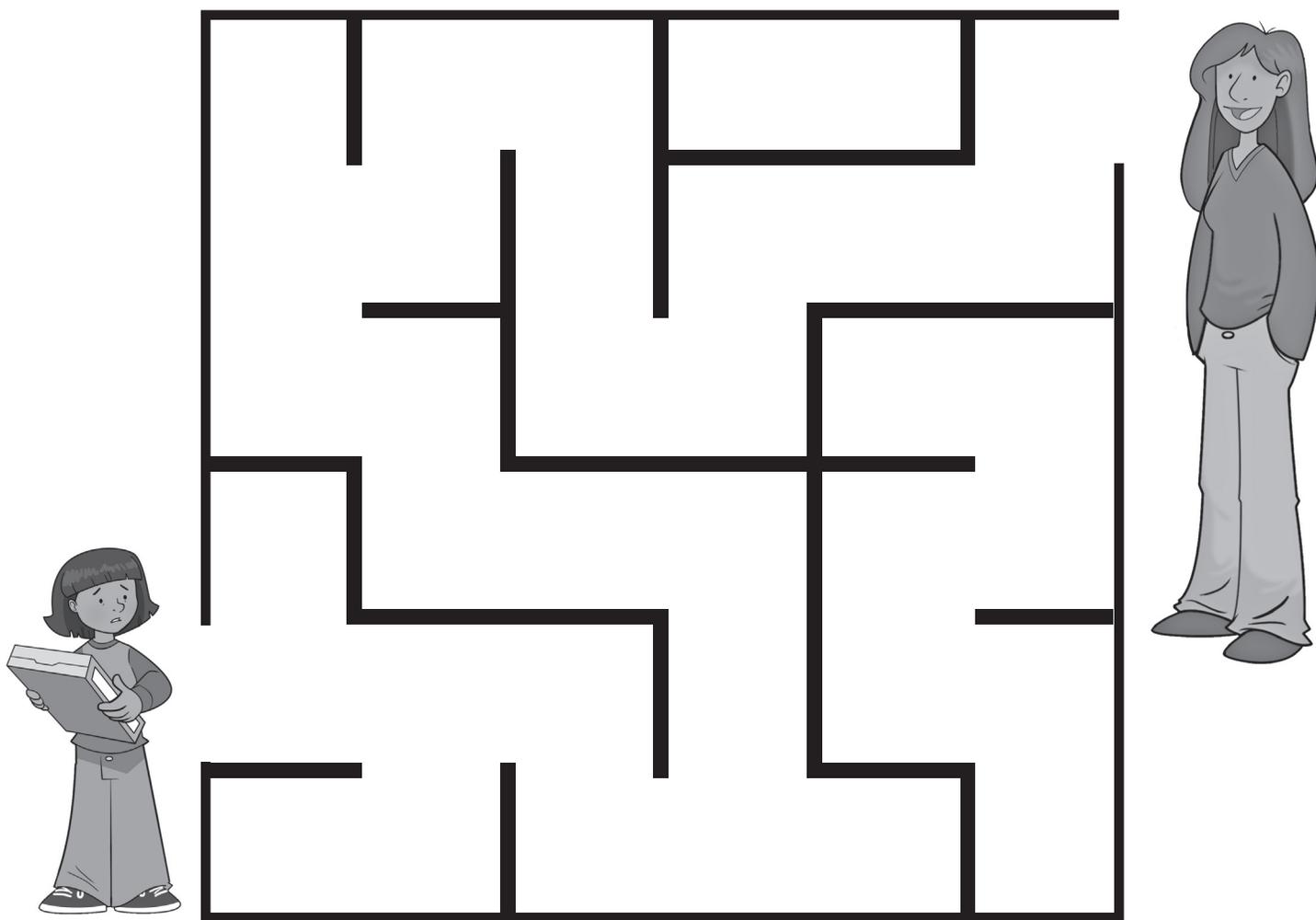
**Give your hands a clap** (clap hands).

**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 Mrs. Webster find Rosie.



**TEACHER/PARENT INSTRUCTIONS:** Encourage the child to draw a line to lead Rosie to her mommy. Remind your child **God Helps His Children.**