



LESSON - DANIEL TRUSTS GOD!

Saddle up, Victory Kids! Today, we're going to hear a story about a brave man named Daniel who kept on trusting God, even when it was hard. Let's get ready to hear what happened when Daniel was thrown into a den full of... LIONS!" Daniel loved God and prayed to Him every day.

SAY IT: Can you say, Daniel prayed?

DO IT: Put your hands together like you are praying. But some mean men didn't like that. They made a rule: 'No praying to anyone but the king!' Uh-oh! Daniel heard the new rule... but guess what he did? He went to his room, got on his knees, and prayed anyway!

DO IT: Let's do it again, Put your hands together like you are praying.

SAY IT: God, I will trust You! The mean men saw Daniel praying and told the king, because they wanted Daniel to get in trouble. The king liked Daniel, but the rule couldn't be changed. So, Daniel was put in a big den with real, hungry lions! But Daniel wasn't alone. God sent an angel to keep him safe.

DO IT: Hold up hands like lion paws and roar. Then freeze now unfreeze.

SAY IT: God is stronger than lions!

The next morning, the king ran to the lion's den. He called out, "Daniel! Did your God keep you safe? And guess what? Daniel answered from inside the lion's den! He said, "Yes! My God sent His angel to shut the lions' mouths. They didn't hurt me!"

DO IT: Now let's clap and cheer because Daniel is safe!

SAY IT: God saved Daniel! And just who else God saved?

SAY IT: Can you say, God saved me. The king was so happy! He told his helpers, "Get Daniel out right now!" Daniel came out with no scratches, no bites, he was just fine! Then the king made a new rule: "Everyone must respect Daniel's God—because He is the real, living God who saves!" Daniel kept trusting God, and God used Daniel's faith to show others how amazing He is.

SAY IT: Daniel trust God!

PRAYER: Dear Jesus, thank You for always being with us, just like You were with Daniel. Help us to trust You, pray to You, and be brave, even when things are hard. We love You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

LESSON QUESTIONS - 10 MINS

2 & 3YR OLDS

Question 1: Did Daniel pray to the king? **(No)**

Question 2: Did Daniel love God? **(Yes)**

Question 3: Was Daniel put in a den with lions? **(Yes)**

Question 4: Did God send an angel to help Daniel? **(Yes)**

4YRS - 1ST GRADE

Question 1: Who prayed to God every day? **Daniel.**

Question 2: What did the king's new rule say? **No praying to anyone except the king.**

Question 3: Where did they put Daniel to punish him? **In the lions' den.**

Question 4: Did the lions hurt Daniel? **No! God kept him safe.**



TEACHING GUIDE - PRESCHOOL & VSN

Monthly Theme: Wild West Faith

"Have faith in God." Mark 11:22

ACTIVITY 1: THE POWER OF PRAYER

Items Needed: Lion plush

Connection: Daniel prayed to God even when faced with the danger of the lion's den. Just as Daniel prayed no matter what so should we!

Step 1: Have the children sit down in a circle on the floor.

Step 2: The teacher will pass a stuffed lion around in the circle and let each child say their name and something they want to pray for. TIP: If this seems too much for any child, help them with suggestions of praying for their family or friends.

Step 3: Continue passing the stuffed lion around to all the students until everyone has had a chance to go.

Step 4: At the end, pray together as a group!

ACTIVITY 2: PIN THE TAIL ON THE LION

Items Needed: Pin the tail on the lion Party Game

Connection: Just as Daniel had to face the lions in the den with the help of the Lord. It's your turn to face the lions too.

Step 1: Place blindfold on the student and give them lion tails

Step 2: Have the students place the tail on the poster.

Step 3: The student that places the tail on the lion or closest to the lion wins.

ACTIVITY 3: BUBBLE PARTY

Items Needed: Bubbles and music! We've got some extra time today, so let's spend it worshipping and dancing with bubbles!

CRAFT OR COLORING SHEET (USE 1 OR 2 OPTIONS DEPENDING ON CLASS AGE & TIME)

PRAYER BOX CRAFT

Connection: In the Wild West, things could get loud and busy, but Samuel shows us that when we find a quiet place, we can talk to God and listen for His voice. Our prayer boxes are a special way to help us remember who and what we can pray for, and that just like Samuel, we can have faith that God is listening and will speak to us.

Step 1: Distribute prayer box kits.

Step 2: Aid the kids in putting together their prayer boxes, reinforce with provided tape

Step 3: Help Kids place circles on included popsicle sticks and write names of people or things to pray for.

COLORING SHEET: DANIEL IN THE LION'S DEN COLORING SHEET

Items Needed: Coloring sheet and crayons.

Step 1: Distribute the coloring sheets and allow time to color.

GOD WANTS ME TO PRAY!



DANIEL AND THE LIONS' DEN
DANIEL 6:7-23