

# Faith in the Fiery Furnace

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***Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.***

## Read Daniel 3

1. What was the issue the Jews were facing in this passage?
2. Why do you think Nebuchadnezzar wanted people to worship the image?
3. What do you think most people would do in the same situation today?
4. What are the 'images of gold' in our society? What does our society and culture expect its people to bow down to?
5. How are we pressured into bowing down in this way?
6. What practices did the three friends have in their lives that would have helped them in this situation?
7. What/who do you think the fourth figure in the furnace was? Why? What does the presence of this fourth figure tell us?
8. Why do we face and experience pain and suffering?
9. What is God's response to pain and suffering?
10. How has God reminded you that, even in the midst of pain and suffering, he is with you?
11. How does our faith grow? What is it that helps you place more faith and trust in God?
12. What have been the events/experiences/times when your own faith has experienced a significant 'growth spurt'? Why do you think this was?

## Prayer points:

- Pray for the plight of refugees, the homeless, and the displaced around the world.
- Pray for the ill and vulnerable in our communities.
- Pray for those affected by violence and conflict around the globe.