



Grades 4-5 • Unit 11 • Lesson 108

God Defends His Glory

Daniel 3:1, 3:22-23, 4:10-17, 4:28-37

Find and circle the words from the accounts in Daniel 3-4.

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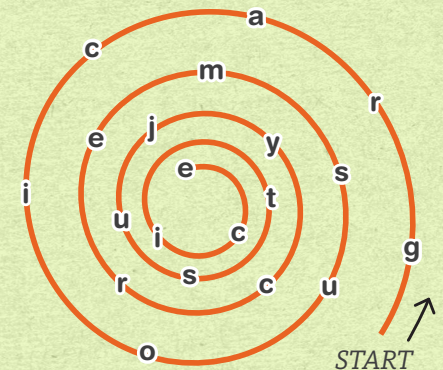
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Memory Verse

Follow the path into the center of the spiral.
As you come to the letters, write them in
the blanks to complete the verse.

**Therefore the LORD waits to be
___ to you, and therefore he
exalts himself to show ___ to
you. For the LORD is a God of ___;
blessed are all those who wait
for him. Isaiah 30:18**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

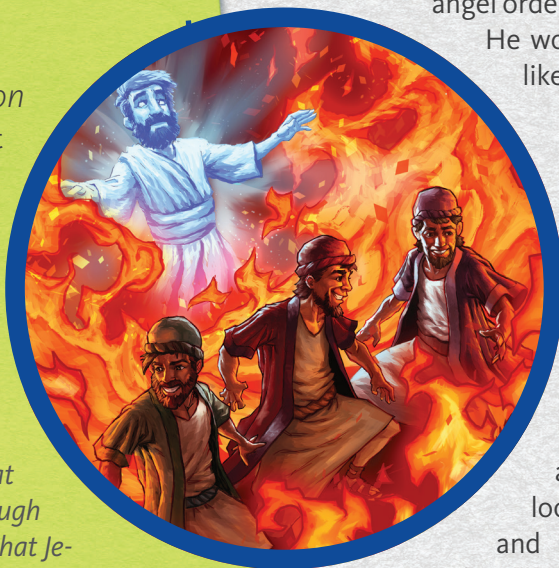


- What You Heard** *In the Word*
- Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego trusted that God could deliver them from the king and his fiery furnace if that were his will. They would not serve false gods.
 - God caused King Nebuchadnezzar to live as a beast of the field until he repented of his pride and acknowledged God as sovereign over everything.

OutWord *For Family Discussion*

Suppose your friend says he doesn't understand how God can allow hard things in his life—or anyone's life! **What could you say?**

Hard things happen to everyone, both Christians and non-Christians. And that is difficult to understand sometimes. But did you know that Jesus told his disciples (and us through his Word) that they would have trials? However, he also told them that he would bring them a special peace through the Holy Spirit. And because of the peace that Jesus brings, the difficulties are easier to handle. This is a very special peace that only comes from knowing him, trusting him, and believing that he is the Son of God. In order to receive the peace that Jesus offers, we must turn away from our sins and commit our lives to trusting and following him.



HomeWord *For Parents*

King Nebuchadnezzar commanded that the people of Babylon bow down to the golden image he made. Whoever did not bow down would be cast immediately into the fiery furnace (Daniel 3:4–6). Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refused to dishonor the true God and would not bow down to the idol. They were confident that God could protect them from the furnace. But if that were not God's will, they would rather face a fiery death than disobey God. The men were spared. They were not harmed, and they did not even have the smell of smoke on their clothing (Daniel 3:26–27)!

Nebuchadnezzar recognized that God had protected them, but his recognition of God's power was short-lived. Daniel 4 shows an arrogant Nebuchadnezzar being humiliated by the sovereign God. He had a dream of a strong tree that reached to the heavens and gave fruit and shelter to all in its shadow. Then an angel ordered the tree to be chopped down, but the stump would remain.

He would be given the mind of a beast for seven periods of time, likely years, until he recognized the power of the Most High God.

Daniel interpreted the dream for him (Daniel 4:19–27). Nebuchadnezzar was the tree. He would be reduced to a beast of the field, driven away from man, and made to eat grass like the ox. Even after this warning, Nebuchadnezzar did not repent. One day as he stood on his roof admiring his city and boasting of his might and majesty, an angel spoke against him and he was driven from men, as the dream foretold.

He ate grass like a beast and slept in the dew; his hair and nails grew long. After the appointed length of time, he looked to heaven, praising God and recognizing his sovereignty. Then God restored him to his kingdom. Just as God had demonstrated his omnipotence over the fiery furnace, he also displayed his sovereignty to all through the humiliation and restoration of Nebuchadnezzar.

