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# Daniel's Friends Are Safe in the Fiery Furnace

Daniel 3



**Instructions:** Cut or tear orange and red tissue paper into small pieces. Have children glue the tissue pieces to the flames, overlapping reds and oranges to create texture and color variation. As kids work, remind them that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stood up for God and God kept them safe. (For additional instructions, see Teacher Guide.)

# WHAT I LEARNED TODAY...

## Bible Passage

This week's Bible passage (Daniel 3) teaches us that we can be brave for God. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were brave for God. They refused to bow down and worship any other god but the one and only true God. That made the king angry, and he threw them into the fiery furnace. But God took care of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. When the king looked into the furnace, he saw that there were four people in the fiery furnace! One person was from heaven. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were brave for God. Your child learned that we can make good choices and be brave for God, too.

**Key Verse: "Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker" (Psalm 95:6).**



**Plan an evening to "grill out."** Let your child assist you in preparing the food for the grill. Let your

child stand close enough to feel the heat from the fire, but be sure to monitor little hands so that they don't touch the hot grill. Talk about how hot the fiery furnace was for Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and how they were brave for God even though they thought they would be hurt.

### ASK

- What did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego do to be brave for God?
- What can you do to be brave and stand up for God?

If you don't have a grill, make a cup of hot, steaming tea. Watch for the steam, and talk about how it looks hot. Take the cups of hot tea outside to drink while you consider the questions.



**Place three plastic or paper cups on the table** to represent Shadrach, Meshach, and

Abednego. Have your child use a marker to draw on a paper towel a simple stick-figure person with arms spread out. Let your child use the three cups to act out the Bible passage of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the furnace. Ask your child to spread the paper towel over Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to indicate that God sent someone from heaven to protect the men from the flames in the furnace. Remind your child that the men were brave by standing up for God and God saved them from the flames.

### ASK

- Tell about a time someone asked you to do something you knew was wrong.
- What can you do to stand up for God in times like that?



This week, your child learned that we can be brave for God. He or she committed to one of the following challenges to be brave for God

in daily life. Help your child weave faith into life this week and follow through on the challenge!

- With your parents' permission, tell someone you don't know about God.
- If you do something wrong, be brave and tell the truth about it. Then ask for forgiveness.
- Be brave by being a leader—lead your family in a song about God.