

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

SCRIPTURE | Daniel 3:4-6,14-18,24-29

SESSION SUMMARY

This week, students explore a familiar Old Testament story: the men in the fiery furnace. These men were Daniel's friends: Shadrach, Meschach, and Abednego. The king decided to set up a giant statue and command all his subjects to bow before it in worship, but the three men refused. The king tried to get them to reconsider, but they chose to stand for God, no matter the consequences. Despite being thrown into a raging inferno, none of the men were even singed. Through this event, we see that even when our faithfulness is risky, God is able to deliver us. Here are the main themes:

- Faithfulness will cost us (Dan. 3:4-6,14-18).
- Faithfulness points people to Jesus (Dan. 3:24-29).

CONVERSATION QUESTIONS

- When has our family done something we knew was right, even though we were scared to do it? How does this biblical account show us the importance of standing for our faith, no matter what?
- What is our family's understanding of who God is? Why is knowing this so important?
- How have we seen God use our family's faithfulness in tough situations to influence others?

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Share stories of near misses. These can be anything from, "I left my final research paper in my mom's car, but she brought it back to me just before the bell rang" to "I didn't get on a train that later crashed." Discuss how these situations can grow our faith in God. Then discuss how we can strengthen our faith so that even when things go wrong, we know to cling to our God, who can deliver us from anything.