

Parent Cue: Build Fire

"If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up." - Daniel 3:17-18

I AM FILLED WITH GOD'S FIRE, SHINING BRIGHTLY WITH LOVE, STRENGTH, AND KINDNESS.

Today's story

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego face a terrible trial when they are thrown into a blazing furnace for refusing to worship King Nebuchadnezzar's idol. Despite the danger, they confidently tell the king that their God can save them, but even if He doesn't, they trust Him completely. Their faith remains strong, showing that trusting God means believing in His power and goodness, no matter what happens.

Love Challenge Bingo- Create a Bingo card. In each space write down an encouraging phrase.In total you could have 5 squares across, and 5 squares in a column running vertically. In total you should have 25 spaces. The middle one is a Free Space. During the week see if you win Bingo by using those phrases of encouragement. How long did it take you to win bingo?

CHALLENGE #2- MEMORIZE THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE & BOTTOM LINE

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Are you having a hard time lately? Maybe you are frustrated or you feel inpatient because God hasn't answered your prayers yet? Just like our story, God is more than able to answer you but even if He doesn't we are called to serve and believe him. Here's a life hack... serve others and become the answer to someone else's prayer request while you wait for you own. As you serve others, God is making a way for someone else to serve you.

This story teaches us that we are called to be different from the world. The King wanted the three friends to bow down and worship the golden statue. The friends could have easily just said "everybody is doing it, maybe we should too" but instead they refused to worship anybody else but God. At first the King was so mad that he tried to kill them in the furnace, but when he saw God protected them, his heart changed and he praised God. How can you stand for what is right this week? Maybe you see someone being bullied, let the bully know to that's not right. When we firmly stand in our faith, others take note and also want to believe in God. While it's always great to use our words to invite others to Jesus, our actions speak louder. Share by living out your faith.