

How can we Glorify God? We can Glorify God by loving and obeying Him.

Week 14: November 16, 2025

Bible Story Point: Daniel Trusted God, and God protected him.

Key Passage: So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

(1 Corinthians 10:31)

Sunday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Daniel in the Lion's Den (Daniel 6)

As Daniel grew into an older man, God continued to show him favor as Daniel served under a new king—King Darius. Yet, Daniel's place in the government of Babylon was a subject of jealousy. In an attempt to trap Daniel, royal officials petitioned Darius to enact a law forbidding anyone from praying to any god other than the king. Just as the officials suspected, Daniel continued praying to the one true God.

The Bible points out that Daniel prayed as an act of defiance to the new law. When Daniel was faced with the possibility of death if he prayed, he made a courageous decision. Daniel 6:10 says, "When Daniel learned that the document had been signed, he went into his house. The windows in its upstairs room opened toward Jerusalem, and three times a day he got down on his knees, prayed, and gave thanks to his God, just as he had done before." Instead of hiding his prayers, Daniel boldly walked in obedience, knowing his life would be put in danger.

In the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus faced a similar decision with even greater consequences. Following the Last Supper, Jesus spent time with the Father in prayer. Jesus wrestled with His coming death as He asked the Father to take the cup from Him if possible. Luke describes the agony that Jesus went through in this decision by telling us Jesus' sweat fell like blood due to the intensity of His time with God. Jesus surrendered to the will of the Father even though it led to death. God honored the obedience of both men. He delivered Daniel from the lion's den, and He delivered Jesus—the only person to always obey God perfectly—from the grave in victory over death.

One final detail of this story should challenge us in our walk with God: Darius was rooting for Daniel. Right before Daniel was thrown into the lions' den, the king hoped out loud that Daniel's God would deliver him from death. Eventually, after Daniel's deliverance, the king declared all people must respect Daniel's God. This week, encourage your kids to live a life that honors God, even when others around them are making different choices. May we model lives that are so honorable to God that even people who disagree with us might want us to be right about God.

- Who is king of Babylon at this time? King Darious
- Why were some of the king's leaders jealous of Daniel? The king put Daniel in charge; king's favorite.
- What did the other leaders do to get Daniel in trouble? Make a 30 day law to pray only to the king.
- What did Daniel do? Prayed to God in front of his window 3 times a day.
- What happened to Daniel? Punished by throwing him in the lions' den
- Name some times you may have difficulty standing up for your faith?
- Add those times to your daily prayer list.

Practice: Say (Memorize) Key passage

Pray: Thank God for knowing how to help you handle difficult situations in the future. Ask God to give you wisdom when difficult situations come.

Wednesday, November 19 - Awana Clubs 6—7:30PM (No Awana Clubs on Nov. 26)

Cubbies: Special Day 1—Thanksgiving— Psalm 118:29, "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good..."

Sparks:

Hang Glider – Green Jewel 1:3 –

Genesis 1:31, And God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good...

Wing Runner – Green Jewel 1:2 – Psalm 23:4-5, Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will figure no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Sky Stormer – Green Jewel 1:3 – Matthew 19:14, But Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.

T & T: 2.5 Acts

Acts 13:48-49, And when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed. And the word of the Lord was spreading throughout the whole region.

Saturday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Take a few minutes to debrief last Sunday's lesson.

Preview for Sunday, November 23rd

Daniel's Prophecies (Daniel 7-12)

- How did God speak to Daniel in chapters 7-10? Dreams and visions
- How many beasts did he see? Four beasts
- Where did the 4 beasts come from? The sea
- What is the truth from these visions? God is more powerful than anything on earth. He will rule forever and we have the privilege of eternity with God is heaven to those who believe in Jesus.

Upcoming Activities:

November 19	Awana Clubs 6—7:30
November 26	Thanksgiving Break-NO Wed Night Activities
November 27	Thanksgiving
November 28	Church Office Closed
November 30	The Pursuit of Christ (Christmas Season Kickoff)
December 7	Kids sing Christmas songs in both services
December 21	Kids Caroling @ 4pm (Tentative)
December 21	Normal Sunday Morning Services
December 24	Christmas Eve Service 5:30
December 28	Normal Sunday Morning Services

