

Memory verse: 1 Corinthians 2:9-11-: **“No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him.”**

Theme: God is ALWAYS with us! Choose God and all His ways, seek His wisdom, not man’s. Thank and praise Him every day, because He knows the plans He has for us to do in our lives.

Lesson- TO READ/TEACH: Daniel 2

Have you ever had a dream? What do you remember about a dream you had? (wait) How did it make you feel? (wait) Do you know that there are scientists who study dreams and try to figure out why we have them? They attach all these connecting wires to your head and when you fall asleep, your brain sends brain waves to the scientists’ machines. They can tell when you are dreaming by how those brain waves jump around! Cool, huh?

Did you know that some scientists think dreams can be a way that your brain is trying to solve problems that you couldn’t figure out when you were awake and were distracted. A man named Elias Howe was trying to invent a machine to sew clothes easily, and when he was awake, he couldn’t. One night, he had a dream. In his dream, he saw exactly how to solve his problem, and he invented the sewing machine! Scientists also think that if some people watch something scary on TV, they can have scary dreams. *(That’s what happens to Ms. Pam when she watches scary shows or reads scary books, so she doesn’t do that. She watches happy shows and reads good books, and has good dreams.)*

This Sunday’s lesson is on **Daniel and King Nebuchadnezzar’s dream**. You remember how Daniel and his freinds were captured and taken to Babylon? Well, one time the King had a strange dream. He called all his wise men and told them to tell him his dream *(so they couldn’t pretend they knew what was it was)*. No one could, so the King told his soldiers to kill all the wise men, including Daniel and his friends. Daniel asked the King to wait, and give him time to pray and ask God for the dream and what it meant. The King agreed. Daniel and his friends prayed and asked God to tell Daniel the dream and what it meant. God did! The next time Daniel went to see the King, he told the King that the God, *the same one we pray to*, had shown him the answers. He told the King the dream and its meaning. **The King said that Daniel’s God (our God) was the most powerful God of all. (We now that!)**

Once again, God answered ALL Daniel's prayers and those around Daniel learned what a powerful God Daniel served! God used the King's dream to teach the King about Who HE was.

God has a PLAN and a PURPOSE for YOUR lives, too, just like He had for Daniel in the Bible. Maybe it's for you to let others around you know that your God is the most loving, forgiving, and powerful God EVER!

Our memory verse says: "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him." (That's YOU!)

What did Daniel and his friends do to get God's help? (wait) **You are right, they prayed!** God wants to hear from you daily, like Daniel, through prayer. Prayer changes things!

If you have a relationship with God, **He will never leave you, no matter what you are going through. He will ALWAYS be there to help you through EVERYTHING.**

Remember what we say every week? **Our God is incredible and He LOVES, LOVES, LOVES YOU!**

Review Questions (Use these questions to review and reinforce key truths.)

- **Why did Nebuchadnezzar order that all the wise men in Babylon be killed?**
They could not reveal his dream.
- **What did Daniel do when he heard that Nebuchadnezzar wanted to kill him?** *He asked for more time because he believed that God would reveal the dream to him.*
- **Did God reveal the dream to Daniel?** *Yes. Daniel and his friends prayed that God would reveal the dream to Daniel. God answered their prayer, and Daniel was able to explain and interpret Nebuchadnezzar's dream*
- **What did Daniel tell Nebuchadnezzar before he interpreted the dream?** *Daniel told the king that God had revealed the secret to him. He wanted to make sure that the king knew that God deserved the praise for what Daniel was able to do.*
- **What can we learn about God from the meaning of Nebuchadnezzar's dream?**
We can learn that God is in control of all of human history –past, present, AND future.

PRAYER: (Close with prayer and reminder of God's work in our lives.)

Dear God,

Thank You for giving us Your peace. You take away our fears when we give them to You. Thank you for making us all brothers and sisters through Your love. Help us to share Your love so others will want to come into the Kingdom of God, too. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Great VIDEOS for Daniel and the King's dream

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Superbook on Daniel and the King's dream: https://youtu.be/00DA2eJ7_sc

Daniel and the King's dream: <https://youtu.be/csWfhOlqNcU>

SAME MUSIC CHOICES for Daniel and the King's dream

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Song #1 "The wise man built his house upon the rock"

<https://youtu.be/Eu5bBDRpzPM>

(lyrics)

The wise man built his house upon the rock,
The wise man built his house upon the rock,
The wise man built his house upon the rock,
And the rains came tumbling down!

The rains came down and the floods came up,
The rains came down and the floods came up,
The rains came down and the floods came up,
And the house on the rock stood firm.

The foolish man built his house upon the sand,
The foolish man built his house upon the sand,
The foolish man built his house upon the sand,
And the rains came tumbling down!

The rains came down and the floods came up,
The rains came down and the floods came up,
The rains came down and the floods came up,
And the house on the sand went SPLAT!

So build your house on the Lord Jesus Christ,
So build your house on the Lord Jesus Christ,
Build your house on the Lord Jesus Christ
and the Blessings will come down.

The blessings will come down as your prayers go up,
The blessings will come down as your prayers go up,
The blessings will come down as your prayers go up,
So build your house on the Lord!

Game ACTIVITIES for Daniel and the King's dream

Pictures to Explain Bring some pictures of various scenes—people talking, people walking. Ask the students what is going on in each scene. Also show them some pictures that are harder to interpret. Ask them whether they can figure out what is going on. **Tell them that in today's lesson, King Nebuchadnezzar has a dream and needs someone to explain it. Only God knows the secret things, and so Daniel, a man of God, explains the dream to the king.**

Puzzling Give the students a difficult puzzle to solve. You could jumble the letters of a word from the memory verse, or even the entire memory verse, and have the students unscramble it. Or you could give them a riddle to solve. Explain that in today's lesson, God gives King Nebuchadnezzar a difficult problem to solve. **The king receives a message that he cannot understand. In fact, God gives only one man the ability to solve the king's riddle. Today we will find out who that man is.**

Signs from God Bring in several symbols to show the students. Ask them what each one stands for. For example, a heart symbolizes love, and a wedding ring symbolizes marriage. Explain that a symbol is an object that stands for something else. Tell the students that, in the past, God sometimes taught people about the future by using symbols. An example the students may remember is Joseph's dream of the sheaves and stars (Gen. 37:1-11). **Instruct the students to listen to today's lesson and try to note what symbol God used to teach Nebuchadnezzar about the future.** Remember after the lesson to ask the students what the symbol was and what it meant.

I Spy Play a game of "I Spy" with the students. (*Choose an object in the room and have them try and guess what you have seen as you describe it.*) **King Nebuchadnezzar also saw something in a dream, and no one could tell him what it was. Do the students know what he saw?**

Bible Pathway Adventures

“My God sent His angel and shut the lions’ mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found blameless before him....” (Daniel 6:22)



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 OJPSAOF LNFI WRNUOGHS
 IHGOBRNEDRRMVBOTE OYE
 LLWLKOQBAFGG PUI CDGV
 IXXDNJ ZBHSYLEBNYNSCR
 AOKIYUNMCXTAGAYXILEP
 TZPELHQDUHUSI WPQRNUF
 RGKRQRUEBJ UUTXMPZTU
 YHSSMBRNEBURHJSDMEAH
 RYRZSZTANXUERKYJHKTH
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DANIEL NEBUCHADNEZZAR JERUSALEM BABYLON
 LIONS MAGI FEAST GOLD KING HEBREW SOLDIERS
 DEN PRINCE RIVER DARIUS BELSHAZZAR
 STATUE DREAM ARMY GOD



Daniel told King Nebuchadnezzar what his dream about a giant statue and a stone meant. Read [Daniel 2:1-49](#) in the Bible for the rest of the story.