



# EARLY CHILDHOOD

## Discussion Guide

**THIS WEEK'S STORY:** Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego are thrown into a fiery furnace, but God does something amazing!

**MONTHLY THEME:** God is with me and I can ask Him for help!

### MEMORY VERSE:

"Be strong and brave, God is with you  
wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9

**TEACHING SUMMARY:** Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego choose to worship the one True God instead of the king's golden statue, even though they could be thrown into a fiery furnace.

**READ:** *Daniel chapter 3*

**OPTIONAL:** "the fiery furnace" [video](#)

### WHAT DOES IT SAY? (OBSERVATION)

1. What did the king command Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to do? (*To bow down to the king's statue and worship it.*)
2. Did they bow down to the statue? (*No, they did not!*)
3. What happened to Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego after they refused to worship King Nebuchadnezzar? (*they were thrown into the fire, but then a 4<sup>th</sup> person was in the fire with them! God protected them in the fire and was with them!*)
4. What did the king do? (*He said that everyone should believe in the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, because HE must be the One, True God!*)

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN & WHY DOES IT MATTER? (INTERPRETATION & APPLICATION)

1. Why do you think Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refused to worship the king? (*They believed that God could protect them! - See Daniel 3:17-18*)
2. Why do you think King Nebuchadnezzar responded in the way he did? (*He saw that God was VERY powerful and was with the 3 men in the fire! He wanted to be a friend of THAT God too!*)
3. Do you think God was with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego? Why?
4. Do you think God is with you too when you face hard things? Why?
5. Do you think God is with you when you face good things? Why?