



BIBLE STORYLINE

The Fiery Furnace

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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Leader Tip: Dress up like a policeman, fireman or soldier and ask the kids why it takes bravery to do that job.

Before we jump into our lesson this week, let me ask you a question. What does it mean to be brave? (allow kids to answer). How have you been brave? (allow kids to answer) (If you used the Leader Tip, ask the kids what some of the dangers are that face cops, firemen and soldiers in the military.)

In our lesson today, we're going to learn about three guys who were really brave when they stood up for God in a really scary situation.

We'll talk about that more in a minute, but first let's stand and sing.

Song

Song #1

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together: Jesus stands with us when we stand for him. **(Repeat)**

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- What did King Nebuchadnezzar want the people to do? (Worship golden statue)
- Who stood up for God and refused to do it? Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego)
- True or False: Standing for Jesus is easy. (F)

Standing up for Jesus isn't always easy. Sometimes it will take a lot of bravery to do it. It can be scary to stand up to a friend who is bullying someone or refuse to watch a movie at a sleepover that you know your parents don't want you to watch. But, that's what we should do and Jesus will help us to be brave.

Think about Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. They were faced with being thrown into a fiery furnace for not worshipping a false god. But they chose to be brave and stood for God no matter what!

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"If we (point to self) are thrown (throwing motion) into the blazing furnace, the God (point up) whom we serve is able to save us (hug self)." Daniel 3:17a (Repeat)

This is what Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego said to mean King Nebuchadnezzar. They demonstrated bravery and great faith in God when they trusted that he could protect them even from a hot furnace that would kill them. And guess what? God showed up and they weren't burned even a little! King Nebuchadnezzar was totally amazed at the power of their God and he realized that their God was the only one worth worshipping!

So kids, let's be like brave Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and let's stand for Jesus, too. And he promises to stand with us and will protect us.

Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Song #2

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

Jesus stands with us when we stand for him. *(Repeat)*

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.