



Jellyfish (Toddlers)

Sunday June 7 2020

Daniel and the Lions Den

Reference: Daniel 6

Main Point: My God is so STRONG, He is stronger than Lions.

Activities to do together

- Look at some pictures online of lions (there are a number of live lion cams available at the moment). Talk about how big, strong and powerful they are. Share with them that you know someone who is bigger, stronger and more powerful than even lions - God is!
- Walk around the house or garden using the lyrics to ['We're going on a Lion Hunt'](#). When you get to the part where it says 'I'm not afraid', add 'Why not? Because God is so strong.' - then keep going with the chant. Talk about how STRONG and amazing God is that He is stronger than the fiercest animal.
- Make a [lion's mask](#) using a paper plate. Instead of writing Daniel 6 at step 5, write 'God is so strong, He's stronger than lions.'
- Make a lion's den from a small cardboard box like the one found [here](#). Use lego or mobilo figures and toy lions to reenact Daniel and the Lion's Den. Alternatively you could make a den (cubby) out of blankets and use the lion's mask made above.

Bible: Read the account of Daniel and the Lion's Den. Look at the pictures, count lions, and talk about the story. Finally ask them "Who saved Daniel from the lion's?" (God!) "Who is stronger than even lion's?" (God is!) Our God loves to save his people. He sent Jesus to save us. What does Jesus save us from? He died to save us from sin.

Pray: Dear Father God, Thank you for being so strong. Thank you for saving Daniel from the hungry lions. Help me to remember that you are so strong and that you can save me. Thank you for sending Jesus to save us from sin. Amen.

Something for Sermon time:

- Watch this week's video for under 5's if you have an extra device or watch at another time together. ☺
- With a yellow or white cupcake wrappers, trim around the edges to make a mane. Have your child draw a face and colour and then glue onto the top of a toilet roll. Stick a pipe cleaner or tape a string onto the back for a tail.
- Pull out some playdough and make lions and a cave/den. Kids could also make other animals and then put them in order of how strong they are.
- Print out the following [colouring sheet](#)



Starfish and Rainbowfish (3-5yrs)

Sunday June 7 2020

Daniel and the Lions Den

Reference: Daniel 6

Main Point: My God is so STRONG, He is stronger than Lions.

Activities to do together:

- Look up lion facts and videos on google and talk about how strong and powerful lions are – As you look at lions online remind your kids that God created lions. Talk to them about how this week's bible story will tell us that God is even stronger than a lion. Here are a couple of suggestions: [10 Lion Facts](#) [Video of lions in a zoo](#)
- Make a [lion's mask](#) using a paper plate. Instead of writing Daniel 6 at step 5, write 'God is so strong, He's stronger than lions.'
- Make a lion's den from a small cardboard box like the one found [here](#). Use lego or mobilo figures and toy lions to reenact Daniel and the Lion's Den. Alternatively you could make a den (cubby) out of blankets and use the lion's mask made above.

Bible: Read the account of Daniel and the Lion's Den from your children's bible.

Discussion:

1. Why did Daniel get thrown into the lion's den? (The King made an announcement that anyone who prayed to God would get thrown into the lion's den. Because Daniel loved God and followed God's commands he kept praying to God even when the king gave the order not to. And so he was thrown into the lion's den.)
2. Lions are very strong and powerful – what did you think would happen to Daniel when he was thrown into the den full of lions?
3. But what did happen to Daniel? (He was completely unharmed, there was not even a scratch on him!)
4. How did that happen? (God rescued Daniel! He shut the mouths of the lions so that they would not hurt Daniel - That is amazing! God is more powerful and stronger than lions!)
5. Who saved Daniel from the lions? (God did!, Our God is a God who saves!)
6. Who is stronger than even lions? (God is!)
7. God loves to save. Do you know the big problem that we all need to be saved from?! (Sin; the sin problem) - Many years after Daniel lived, God sent his son Jesus to die on the cross to save us from sin so that we can be friends with God.



Pray: Dear God,

Thank you for being so strong, even stronger than lions. Thank you for saving Daniel from the lions. Thank you for sending your son Jesus to save us from the sin problem.

Amen.

Memory Verse: Psalm 68:20 “Our God is a God who saves”. Practice saying it together

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- Pull out some playdough and make lions and a cave/den. Kids could also make other animals and then put them in order of how strong they are.
- Using a blank piece of paper ask your child/children to draw things that they remember from the story (eg. Daniel, lions, King Darius, the angel...)
- Colouring pages to print: [Daniel in the lion’s den](#), [Daniel praying](#)