

**Daniel****Completion** Choose the correct word from the box, and write it in the blank.

- idols 1. Daniel and his friends would not eat the king's meat because it had been offered to ?.
- fiery 2. Daniel's friends were thrown into the ? furnace because they would not worship the golden image.
- kingdom 3. The stump in Nebuchadnezzar's dream meant he would get back his ?.
- three 4. Daniel prayed to God ? times a day.
- worried 5. When Daniel was thrown into the lion's den, King Darius was ?.
- mouths 6. God sent an angel to close the ? of the lions.

coal      eyes      fiery      five      happy      idols  
kingdom      mouths      presidents      pride      three      worried

**Short Answer** Read each question carefully, and write your answer in the blank.

1. When do you think Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah purposed in their hearts that they would not eat the king's meat?  
Answers vary. Perhaps before it was served or even before they were taken captive
2. Sometimes we need to decide ahead of time what we will or will not do. Can you think of things that you should decide ahead of time that you will not do?  
Answers vary. Lie, steal, be unkind, etc.

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3. What are things you should purpose to do?

*Answers vary. Pray, read the Bible, be truthful, be kind, etc.*

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4. Throughout their lives, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah continued to make right decisions. When the wise men could not interpret Nebuchadnezzar's dream, he said that all the wise men should be put to death. What did Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah do?

*prayed*

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5. When Nebuchadnezzar made it a law that everyone must bow and worship the idol, what did Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah do?

*refused to bow or worship*

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6. When King Darius signed the law that no one could pray to any God or man but him, what did Daniel do?

*He continued to pray to God.*

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7. Was it always easy for Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah to do the correct thing?

*no*

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8. It will not always be easy for you to do the right thing. Look up Philippians 4:13 and fill in the missing words. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

9. Pride is a sin that causes us to focus on ourselves instead of on God. Sometimes we are tempted to become prideful when God blesses us with good things. What happened to Nebuchadnezzar when he became prideful of all the things God allowed him to have?

*He lost his mind and acted like an animal for seven years.*

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10. How did Daniel respond when God blessed him with answers to prayer and with success?

*He prayed and thanked God. He gave God the glory.*

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11. Do we honor God when we brag on ourselves instead of on God?

*no*

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12. Read James 1:17. Think of a blessing God has given you and describe the best way to respond to God's goodness.
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## Discussion/Application

*Use these questions to prompt discussion about life applications from lessons.*

1. Nebuchadnezzar did not always make wise decisions. When he had his first dream, he ordered the wise men to be put to death for not telling him his dream. When the three Hebrew men refused to bow before the golden image, Nebuchadnezzar had them thrown into the fiery furnace. In these two situations, what was the same? *Answers vary. Out of selfishness and anger, Nebuchadnezzar made unwise decisions. God protected Daniel and his friends.*
2. How could Nebuchadnezzar have avoided making wrong decisions? *Answers vary. Looked to God for help. Waited until he calmed down to make a decision.*
3. Nebuchadnezzar had a problem controlling his temper. Can you think of someone in the life of David that had trouble controlling his anger? *Saul*
4. How were Saul and Nebuchadnezzar alike? *Answers vary. Both were proud and selfish; neither looked to God for help.*
5. Daniel and his friends did not react to the king's commandments in anger even though they were being treated unfairly. Why do you think they reacted differently? *Answers vary. They "purposed in their hearts" to do what was right no matter what; they loved God; etc.*
6. Daniel and his friends honored God with their commitment to do right. What actions can you take now that will help you honor God throughout your life? *Answers vary. Read the Bible, memorize Bible verses, be honest, work hard, pray, etc.*
7. What was your favorite part from the life of Daniel and what did you learn from it? *Answers vary.*



## Something to Think About

- The way we react to both blessings and challenges shows our commitment to doing what is right. Consider how you would react to these situations.
  - your brother or sister played with your toys and broke one
  - you make a winning play in a game, play well in a concert, or make the highest grade on a test
  - someone skips ahead of you when it's your turn
  - Mom or Dad tells you to do something when you are enjoying something else
  - you are tempted to lie to get out of trouble
- What can you do now to help you later? The Bible tells us, “Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.” (Psalm 119:11) As you read your Bible, you might want to have a notebook in which you can copy verses that you want to remember. Look up the following verses and write the reference under the sin each verse can help you resist. Can you think of other sins that you are tempted to commit and verses to help you?

Colossians 3:20    Ephesians 4:26    Proverbs 29:23    Psalm 37:8  
 Matthew 6:14–15    Joshua 24:24    Romans 12:17    Ephesians 4:32  
 Proverbs 15:1    Proverbs 12:17    1 Corinthians 13:4a    James 4:6

**Anger**

*Psalm 37:8*

*Ephesians 4:26*

**Pride**

*Proverbs 29:23*

*James 4:6*

**Dishonesty**

*Proverbs 12:17*

*Romans 12:17*

**Unkindness**

*Proverbs 15:1*

*1 Corinthians 13:4a*

**Disobedience**

*Colossians 3:20*

*Joshua 24:24*

**Unforgiveness**

*Matthew 6:14–15*

*Ephesians 4:32*

**✚ My Favorite Verse** Write your favorite verse below using fun lettering.

*Students may use a verse from a previous page or choose another verse of their own.*

