

## Daniel Series

# Daniel Chapter 3 & 4

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## Directions

Read Chapters 3 & 4 of the book of Daniel. Each chapter will have its own chapter outline, activity pages, and study questions. There will be a quiz on the last page for Chapters 3 & 4. Do your best and have fun!!!

### Take Notes

- We recommend using AVID or Cornell style note taking
- Write out the study guide questions and answer them while you are reading
- Draw pictures if you would like to

### Follow the Chapter Outline

- Read the chapters and follow along with the chapter outline
- If a parent is teaching the chapter, they can read the outline to the junior

### Do Activity Pages

- If you're able to, print out the activity sheets. If you don't have a printer, take a screenshot of the page and complete it on your tablet or phone. You can email a screenshot of your completed work to [foljuniorsministry@gmail.com](mailto:foljuniorsministry@gmail.com)

### Study!!!

- Use this Kahoot link to play a study game with your family
  - Kahoot Link:
  - Answer the study guide questions on the last page and take quiz 3 & 4

### Take Your Test

- A test will be given at the same time for all Juniors to play together on Saturday at 5pm. Make sure to send an email to [foljuniorsministry@gmail.com](mailto:foljuniorsministry@gmail.com) to be added to our Google Classroom, the link will be posted there.

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# Chapter Three

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The second chapter of the book of Daniel was written in Aramaic. It is paired with chapter 6 as they both tell the stories of Daniel and his friends being persecuted because of their faith. This chapter is well known for the popular story of the Fiery Furnace.

### Setting: Dura, Babylon

#### Characters:

- ★ Hananiah (Shadrach)
- ★ Mishael (Meshach)
- ★ Azariah (Abed-Nego)
- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar
- ★ Astrologers/Chaldeans
- ★ Provincial Officials
  - ★ The fourth person (Son of God/son of the gods/like a god) (Jesus)

## Vocabulary

**Image:** A statue made by man that was worshipped

**Burning Fiery Furnace:** It was like a giant oven big enough that a man could stand inside it

**Bound/Bind:** Tied up

**Decree:** A rule of law



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## Chapter Three Outline: The Image of Gold and the Fiery Furnace

### The Image of Gold Verses 1-7

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold 9 feet high and 9 feet wide and placed it in Dura, Babylon.
- ★ The king called all the Provincial Officials (Satraps, administrators, governors, counselors, treasurers, judges, and magicians) to worship the image. When they heard the music, they all had to fall down and worship the gold image
- ★ Whoever didn't worship the gold image, would be thrown into the Burning Fiery Furnace.
- ★ "All the people, nations, and language fell down and worshipped.." verse 7
  - King Nebuchadnezzar was taking over many different kingdoms/places/nations. He wanted to unite all these different people in a false religion.



### Daniel's Friends Disobey the King Verses 8-18

- ★ The Astrologers/Chaldeans told the king that some of the Jews, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, were not worshipping the gold image.
- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar became very angry and called the three men and he gave them one more chance to worship the gold image. He asked them "what god would rescue you from my hands?" verse 13-15
- ★ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego replied, "The God we serve is able to save us,, but even if He does not we will not worship your gods or image of gold." verse 16-18

### Saved in Fiery Trial Verses 19-25

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar became very angry and commanded that they heat up the furnace **7 times hotter** than usual. He commanded some strong soldiers to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego and throw them into the furnace. Some of those men were killed by the flames from the furnace
- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar jumped to his feet and asked his counselors, “Did we not throw **3 BOUND** men into the fire?” They answered yes.
- ★ The king said, “Look! I see **4 men loose** walking around unharmed! The fourth looks like the **Son of God!**”

### Nebuchadnezzar Praises God Verses 26-30

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar looked into the furnace and said, “ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, servants of the Most High God, come out, and come here.” verse 26
- ★ Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego came out of the fire and the Provincial Officials saw that the 3 men had no smell of fire, powder, or any harm to them or their clothes.
- ★ The king blessed God and said that God saved the 3 men because they trusted their God and refused to worship another god.
- ★ The king made a decree that no one was allowed to say anything bad about the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, if they did they would be punished. “No other god can save like this.” verse 29
- ★ The king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego in the province of Babylon.

## Daniel Chapter 3 Activities

[Watch Video for Chapter 3](#)

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# The Fiery Furnace

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V A B M I R A C L E V L B C D B P X V O R B I E  
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O V B M A G M A N K K P W C C V Q V Q G K N L Z  
Y Y T Q V X G O E C W D J G O L D C U G K R G V  
A K U B U N H A R M E D C K H D F V W M B R R R

Angel	Angry	Babylon	Believed
Bow	Brave	Faithful	Four
Furnace	Gold	Hot	Miracle
Music	Nebuchadnezzar	Rescued	Statue
Trust	Unharmmed	Worship	

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## Chapter Four

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Chapters 4 was written in Aramaic. Chapters 4 and 5 are both paired up, both kings are given a dream or vision that are interpreted by Daniel. Both kings react differently.

#### Characters:

- ★ Daniel (Belteshazzar)
- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar



- ★ A Holy One/Messenger/Watcher

### Vocabulary

**Interpret:** Explain the meaning of information, words, or action. In this lesson, it means to explain the meaning of a dream.

**Humiliation:** Make someone feel embarrassed and foolish

**Dominion:** A territory that is controlled

**Abundant:** Having plenty of something

**Sovereignty:** Supreme power or authority

## Chapter Four Outline: King Nebuchadnezzar's 2nd Dream

### King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream of a Tree Verses 1-18

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar had a second dream and called for the Chaldeans and Daniel.
- ★ The Dream:
  - A Giant Tree: verses 10-12
    - Reached the heavens, could be seen by all the earth
    - Had lovely leaves
    - Abundant of fruit
    - Animals found shade under it
    - Birds were on the branches
  - A Message From A Holy One/Messenger/Watcher: verses 14-17
    - “Chop down the tree and cut off its branches... leave the stump and its roots, bound with a band of iron and bronze... Let him be wet with dew, be with the animals, and eat grass... he will be crazy like an animal for 7 times passed (7 seasons. They only had 2 seasons, dry and wet. 3 ½ years)
    - This will happen so that the living one (King Nebuchadnezzar) will know that “The Most High is sovereign over all the kingdoms and He gives it to whomever he wants to.”
- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar tells Daniel (Belshazzar) to interpret the dream like he did the first time, because the Spirit of the Holy God was in him.

### Daniel Interprets the Second Dream Verses 19-27

- ★ Daniel (Belshazzar) was surprised and troubled by his thought. “If only the dream was about your enemies”
- ★ The Interpretation:
  - A Giant Tree = King Nebuchadnezzar
    - His dominion and power was great
  - The Message from the Holy One/Messenger/Watcher:
    - The people will drive the king out and he will become like a beast, he will eat the grass, he will be wet from the dew, and this will last

for 3 ½ years until the king knows that the Most High rules over everything and He gives kingdoms to whomever He chooses.

- The Stump and Roots = The king's kingdom
  - The king will get his kingdom back
- ★ Daniel advises the king to leave his sins and be righteous

### **Nebuchadnezzar's Humiliation** Verses 28-33

- ★ After a year, King Nebuchadnezzar says, "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built... for MY home because of MY power and the honor of MY majesty."
- ★ A voice from heaven says, "Because of what you just said, you have lost your kingdom. The people will drive you out, you will become like a beast, and will eat grass for 3 ½ years until you know that the Most High rules over everything and He gives kingdoms to whomever He chooses."
- ★ The king was kicked out and he became like a beast. His hair grew like eagle's feathers and his nails like bird's claws.

### **Nebuchadnezzar Praises God** Verses 34-37

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar raised his eyes to heaven praised the Most High and honored Him who lives forever
- ★ The king was normal again and he got back his kingdom. Now he praises and honors the King of heaven



## Daniel Chapter 4 Activity

Draw a tree!

Material: Pencil and Paper (markers, crayons, colored pencils, paints, optional)

[Video link](#)

Take a picture and email it to us at foljuniorsministry@gmail.com



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# Study Guide Questions

## Chapter 3 [Quiz 3](#)

- Who was the king in chapter 3?
- What did the king create?
- What did he want the people to do when they heard the music?
- What would happen if someone did not bow down and worship the image?
- Who were the 3 men that did not bow down?
- What were their Hebrew names?
- What did the king see inside the furnace?
- What did the Chaldeans notice about the 3 men?
- How did the king react?

## Chapter 4 [Quiz 4](#)

- Who had a dream in chapter 4?
- What type of tree did the king see in his dream?
- Who did he see in his dream?
- Who interpreted the king's dream?
- What would happen to the tree?
- What would happen to the king?
- What would he eat?
- How long would this happen?
- What did he have to know?
- Did King Nebuchadnezzar praise God at the end?

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## Test Time!

Congratulations on completing your second week! You should be very proud of yourself for studying the 3rd and 4th chapters of the book of Daniel.

The live quiz will be on Saturday, April 11th at 5p.m. Make sure to download the Quizizz App.

The link will be posted on our Google Classroom and Facebook Group Page. Have fun and try your best!