



TALK TOGETHER

HAVE YOU EVER STUMBLED ON A MYSTERY? SOMETHING THAT SEEMED IMPOSSIBLE TO UNDERSTAND? A PROBLEM NO ONE COULD SOLVE? CAN YOU TELL ME ABOUT IT?

Where there's a mystery, there's often a good detective. A detective finds the answer to unsolvable problems!

Many years ago, a man of God named Daniel lived in the great empire of Babylon. Despite living as a captive in a foreign country, Daniel served the Lord faithfully. Little did he know God would use him to solve a mystery for the powerful King Nebuchadnezzar!

King Nebuchadnezzar had been having bad dreams. He could not figure out what his dream meant. It bothered him so much he couldn't even sleep!

He called his team of magicians and sorcerers and demanded they give him answers about his dream. His team tried to find the answer, but they couldn't figure it out. Only God knew what the king's dream meant.



TALK TOGETHER

Family conversations with God's Word.



MORE TO EXPLORE

Discover how this conversation fits into God's Big Story.



THRU-THE-WEEK SHEET

Post it on the fridge. Use it all week.



COLORING PAGE

Keep little hands busy before, during and after your family conversation.

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King Nebuchadnezzar was so angry he planned to kill all the wise men in Babylon, including Daniel and his friends! But God had other plans. Daniel prayed to God and asked God to show him what the king's dream meant. **Let's find out what happened next by reading Daniel 2:19-23.**

THEN THE MYSTERY WAS REVEALED TO DANIEL IN A VISION OF THE NIGHT. THEN DANIEL BLESSED THE GOD OF HEAVEN. DANIEL ANSWERED AND SAID: "BLESSED BE THE NAME OF GOD FOREVER AND EVER, TO WHOM BELONG WISDOM AND MIGHT. HE CHANGES TIMES AND SEASONS; HE REMOVES KINGS AND SETS UP KINGS; HE GIVES WISDOM TO THE WISE AND KNOWLEDGE TO THOSE WHO HAVE UNDERSTANDING; HE REVEALS DEEP AND HIDDEN THINGS; HE KNOWS WHAT IS IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE LIGHT DWELLS WITH HIM. TO YOU, O GOD OF MY FATHERS, I GIVE THANKS AND PRAISE, FOR YOU HAVE GIVEN ME WISDOM AND MIGHT, AND HAVE NOW MADE KNOWN TO ME WHAT WE ASKED OF YOU, FOR YOU HAVE MADE KNOWN TO US THE KING'S MATTER."

(DANIEL 2:19-23)

WHAT DID DANIEL DO AFTER GOD SHOWED HIM THE ANSWER TO KING NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM? He praised God!

When the king asked Daniel how he solved the dream, Daniel immediately gave glory to God! He knew he couldn't have helped the king on his own. God is the ultimate detective because nothing is a mystery to Him. Only He was powerful and wise enough to know the answer to the king's dream. Daniel praised God for that.

Today, we serve the same God Daniel served! He knows the answer to all the mysteries in this world! He is the true King of the universe. His reign lasts forever. **Praise God for being our God forever!**



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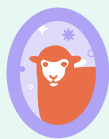
GOD'S BIG STORY

CREATION



EVERYTHING
GOD CREATED
WAS GOOD.

FALL



ADAM & EVE SINNED,
AND SIN PASSED TO
ALL PEOPLE, EVEN
YOU AND ME.

REDEMPTION



THOUGH ALL OF
US ARE SINNERS,
CHRIST DIED
FOR US.

RESTORATION



JESUS WILL
COME AGAIN.

FIND IT IN THE BIBLE: DANIEL

This week's story comes from the book of Daniel. Daniel is called a prophetic book. A Jew named Daniel is the author of this book. This book features the famous story of Daniel and the lion's den and demonstrates God's authority over this world.

OT-NT CONNECTION

Daniel praises God and writes that God will be God forever. In the last book of the New Testament, we learn Christians will worship God forever! **Read Revelation 22:1-5.**

- In verse 5, what does it say God's servants will get to do with Him?
- What is something you can praise God for throughout this week?

SHOULD WE PRAISE GOD WHEN THINGS ARE TOUGH?

Yes! Daniel certainly did. The king planned to kill Daniel if he couldn't tell him the answer to his dream. When God gave Daniel the answer, Daniel paused to praise God before he even talked to the king! Our God is good always and forever. He deserves our praise.

READ



God answered Daniel's prayer! Read Daniel 2:1-18 to learn more about why Daniel praised God later in chapter two.

What would have happened to Daniel if God hadn't shown him what the King's dream meant?

WILL WE PRAISE GOD AFTER WE DIE?

If you are a Christian, then yes, you will! Christians will continue worshiping and praising God in heaven. It will be wonderful! For more information, check out the OT-NT Connection.

JOURNAL



Schedule a meeting with your church worship leader and find out what goes into planning a worship service. Ask how your family can pray for the worship leader this week.

★ THRU-THE-WEEK SHEET

♥ MEMORIZE

**"BLESSED BE
THE NAME OF
GOD FOREVER
AND EVER, TO
WHOM
BELONG
WISDOM AND
MIGHT."**

(DANIEL 2:20B)

Q: WHY DID DANIEL GIVE
THANKS TO GOD?

A: HE IS GOD FOREVER
AND EVER!

PAINT



Pull out some watercolor paints. Encourage your child to paint a picture of Daniel praising God.

SHARE

Tell your kids about a time you witnessed the power of God and praised Him for it. What happened?

WATCH



Help your child learn their verse by watching this week's Memory Melody video!

PRAY



**DEAR LORD, THANK YOU
FOR KNOWING THE
ANSWERS TO ALL THE
MYSTERIES OF THIS
WORLD. YOU ARE MORE
POWERFUL AND WISE
THAN ANYTHING OR
ANYONE. YOU ARE GOD
FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN.**

FIND



This week's verse is found in the book of Daniel. Help your child find the book of Daniel. Is this book in the Old or New Testament? How many chapters are there?

WRITE



Help your child write a poem of praise to God! Ask them to think of something they would like to thank God for and help them write a poem focused on praising God for that thing.

LISTEN



Look up the traditional hymn of praise called the Doxology. Listen to the song with your child.

SING



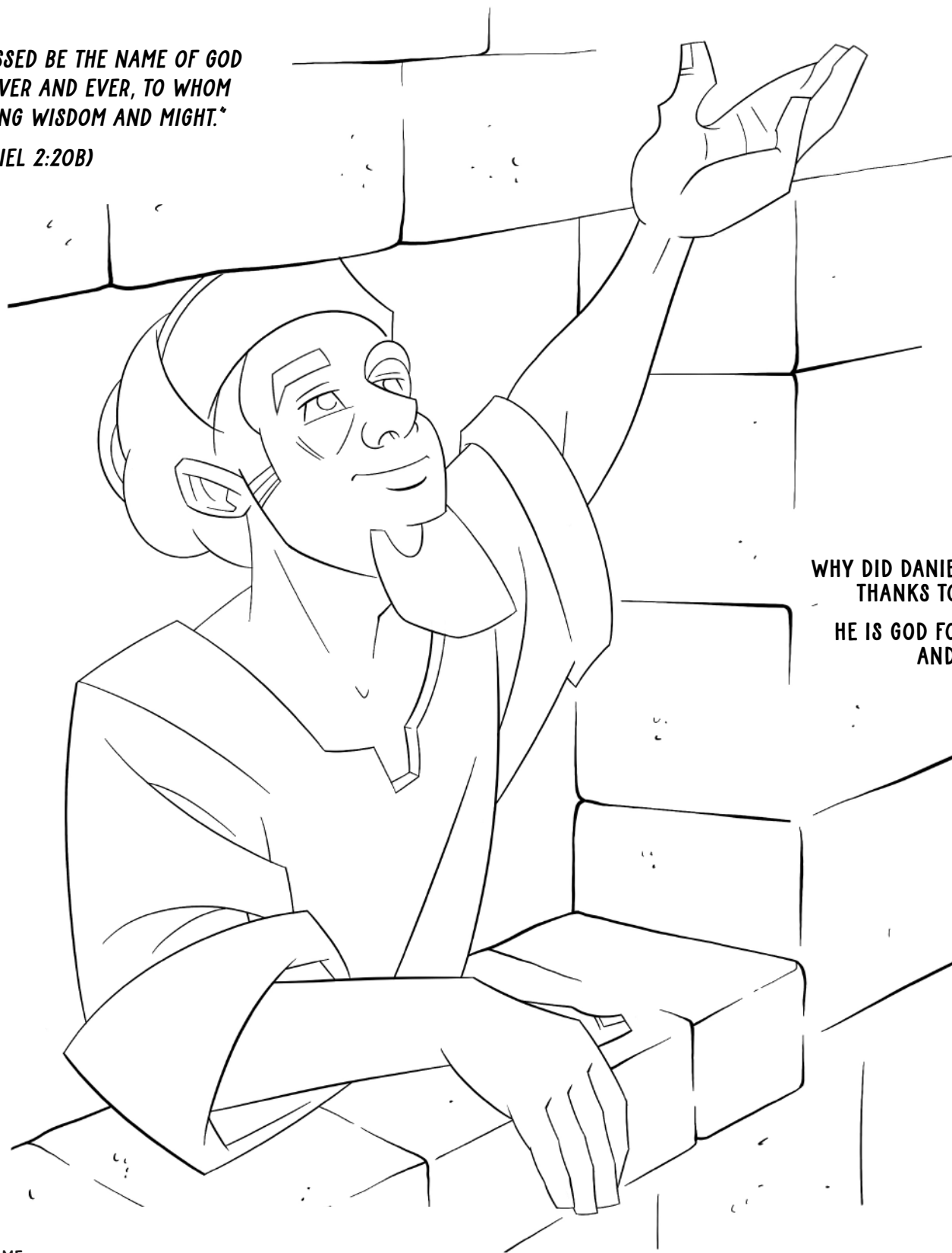
Listen to this playlist throughout the series for being perfect and perfectly holy!

**SCAN HERE TO LISTEN
WHEREVER YOU ARE!**

COLORING PAGE

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FOREVER AND EVER, TO WHOM
BELONG WISDOM AND MIGHT."***

(DANIEL 2:20B)



**WHY DID DANIEL GIVE
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HE IS GOD FOREVER
AND EVER!**

NAME: _____