



Hey Mom and Dad

We are so happy to partner with you for your children to know Jesus better especially in these challenging times. We encourage you to stay full of faith and help your children remain rooted in the word by doing the daily declarations and devotions with them. Have fun with it!

We love you and we are praying for your family today.

3CK Team

Fearless Friends

Praise and worship

We would like to encourage you to start your time together with praise and worship as we become mindful of the goodness and faithfulness of God toward us every day of our lives.

Psalm 100:4 (NLT): “Enter His gates with thanksgiving; go into His courts with praise. Give thanks to Him and praise His name.”

Praise and worship is more than singing songs. It is an expression of our love and adoration, our thanksgiving and admiration of God – who He is and for all that He has done.

Ask each child what they are thankful for. Let them start by saying... “I thank God for...” Help them by using examples...

- for waking us up today
- for helping me play nicely with my brother/sister
- for providing for us
- for protecting our nation

You can choose from a variety of 3CLive songs to continue in praise and worship. Allow the children to choose two of their favourite songs. Make it fun as they do their own dance moves to the faster song. The important thing is that the children are mindful to praise and worship the Lord with you.

Our top choices for the week:

- Tino Tenda
- All my days
- Kingdom Come

Declaration for the week

Teach the children our declaration for the week and have them declare it throughout the lesson today:

I am fearless because God is on my side.

Memory Verse

Teach the children our memory verse for the week and have them repeat it throughout the lesson today:

Psalm 23:6a NLT

Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life.

Story Time**Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego****Read together or tell in paraphrase the story as found in Daniel 3 NLT**

Today's story is about three young boys who were fearless!

Explain fearless: calm in the face of danger; not scared; brave

There was once a king named Nebuchadnezzar who ruled a mighty kingdom in Babylon. He captured the Israelites and made them serve him as his slaves. Among the Israelite slaves there were three fearless boys named Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.

The king made a twenty-seven meters tall golden statue and ordered all the people in Babylon to bow down and worship the statue. If any person was found disobeying the king's command they would be punished by being thrown into a fiery furnace.

<Explaining size of 27-meter statue: View Image 1 and Image 2 on Annexure 1>:

As tall as an 8-story building/house. Can you imagine that!

The three friends, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, did not bow down to worship the statue because they were children of God. The king got very angry with the three friends when they did not obey his command and had them tied up and thrown into the furnace of fire.

Everyone expected them to die but the three friends were not afraid.

When the king looked into the furnace, he was amazed! Not only were the three boys not burnt alive, but he saw four people walking around in the furnace. The fourth man looked like the Son of God.

So the king ordered his men to bring the boys out of the fire. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego walked out of the furnace. They were not harmed at all. Not even one hair on their heads had been burned. That furnace should have killed them instantly but God saved them! Everyone praised God because He saved Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.

Ask the children if they also want to be like the three friends who were fearless.

Pray together:

"Father God, thank You that You make me fearless today. Thank You that Your blood takes away all my fear and helps me to live for You every day. Thank You for keeping me calm in

the face of danger. I will not be scared by what is happening around me. I am brave like Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego because you are with me. In Jesus name. AMEN”

Activities

Fiery Furnace Stick Men

Colour and cut out all the pictures. Stick the pictures onto any stick and use them for the children to tell the story to your family.

Fiery Furnace Maze

Lead the three friends to the fire

Fiery Furnace Word Search

Find all the words on the square

Life Application

3-6 YEAR OLDS:

- Who were the main Bible characters in the story we read today?
- What were they told to do?
- Who helped them when they should have been afraid?

7-11 YEAR OLDS:

- Who were the main Bible characters in the story we read today?
 - What were they told to do?
 - Who helped them when they should have been afraid?
 - What has scared you?
 - Why should you not be afraid?
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Proclamations

PROCLAIM: By the blood of Jesus we have been redeemed from the power of the enemy

PROCLAIM: By the blood of Jesus we are forgiven of all our sins

PROCLAIM: Because we spend time with other Christians, the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all our sins

PROCLAIM: By the blood of Jesus we are justified and God sees us as if we have never sinned

PROCLAIM: By the blood of Jesus we are sanctified and set apart for God’s holy purpose

Let’s Pray

Dear God, Thank You for being our Father and loving us so much! Thank You for sending Your only son, Jesus, to die on a cross for us so that we may be forgiven of our sins. We trust

You and we know that You are always with us no matter what! You make us strong and brave. We love You!

In Jesus' name
Amen

Fit and Fab Me

Flip a coin and choose some of the fun exercises as you play your favourite 3C Live song in closing