



Series Overview: There's a reason that lions are symbols of courage — even their roars (which can be heard up to five miles away) tell us how strong they are! And because of God's promises, we can be as strong and bold as lions, too. In this five-week series, kids will learn important truths from the life of Daniel they'll want to shout (or roar!), like how we don't have to give up and don't have to feel alone. Instead, we can keep learning and not be afraid, even when we don't know the future. Why? Because God is with us!

Bible Story: Babylonian Captivity: Daniel 1

Big Idea: I won't give up - God is with me

**Series Memory Verse:** "The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble;" -Nahum 1:7a

## Lesson Guide:

- 1. Dance and sing with your child to these songs.
  - I'm Trusting You | Roar VBS | Group Publishing YouTube
  - Yancy (Children's Ministry Worship) With Me Everyday YouTube
  - <u>Through It All | HLA Babylon | Group Publishing YouTube</u>

- 2. Show this video to teach the Bible story.
  - Hear Me Roar Preschool Week 1 (vimeo.com)
- 3. Review the Bible story like this:

## \*Supplies: Bible & Picture of Daniel & Friends (at end of this lesson)

- This month's series is called "Hear Me Roar!" because we are going to learn about people in the Bible that were strong and bold like lions because they trusted in God!
- Do you guys remember the Bible story from the video we just watched? Yep, it was about a young man named Daniel and his three friends...
- Daniel and three of his friends had just arrived to a city called Babylon from their hometown of Jerusalem. It's actually a sad story.
- Remember, the kind of Babylon overtook Jerusalem and he brought Daniel and his friends to work for him. It was so hard! They even got brand-new names!
  - [Read Daniel 1:8–20 from a preschool Bible or a preschool-friendly translation.]
  - [Show the picture of Daniel & Friends.]
- Isn't that amazing?! They loved God so much that they didn't eat the king's food because God told them not to. They ate only vegetables and water and were strong, healthy, and really smart!
- But they didn't choose to do this just because it made them healthy. They were far from home in a brand-new kingdom with brand-new rules. But they still remembered and wanted to obey God. They knew God was with them wherever they went.
- Daniel and his friends didn't give up because they knew God was with them, so we can also say...
- **BIG IDEA** | I won't give up God is with me!
- 4. Practice the September Memory Verse like this:

## \*Supplies = Bible

- Look up Nahum 1:7 in the Bible and read it with your family.
- Learn part A of the verse together using these motions:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/oo6trhb8jcc2vrw/Video%20Sep%2027%202022%2C%2012%2 024%2000%20PM.mov?dl=0

- Give your family different challenges to do while saying the verse and encourage them not to give up. (hopping on one foot, balancing with one foot up in the air behind them, holding themselves in a push up position, say the verse without showing their teeth, etc.)
- Daniel trusted God and God was with Daniel in his days of trouble that we learned about today.
- When we trust in God, He will be with each of us as well!

## 5. PRAY WITH THE YOUR FAMILY!

