

HOPEWELL MB CHURCH VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON OVERVIEW STUDY GUIDE (Children and Youth)

Parents, the following information is provided to you to study the lesson with your son/daughter each week. The study materials are part of the **International Sunday School Lesson**, excerpted from the **Union Gospel Press Sunday School book.**

The overview will be presented each Sunday Morning @ 8:30, prior to regular Sunday Morning Worship Service. Lesson discussion material will be rotated weekly amongst the various Target Groups (Senior, Junior, Primary, and Beginner classes) in an effort to include all ages in this lesson series.

The Overview is merely a brief discussion of the bible lesson. In order to gain a better understanding of the lesson, it is recommended that, prior to each lesson, participants read through the **Lesson Text**, **Related Scriptures**, **Daily Bible Reading** scriptures (each day), try to answer the **Review Questions**, and make a note of any additional questions you may have. We suggest using a "kid-friendly" bible version for the scripture passages. Prayer and meditation are always essential in gaining a better understanding of God's Word and its relevance to your life and situation.

We invite you to join us for in-person class discussion.

September 2024

UNIT I: Faithful Service of Daniel and Friends

All lessons this month will focus on the prophet Daniel and how Jesus spoke about Daniel

WEEK 1-Daniel Honors God's Laws: This lesson highlights how Daniel remained faithful to God by resisting the pressure to conform to Babylonian customs

WEEK 2-Daniel's Friends Will Not Bow: This lesson shows how Daniel's friends remained faithful by refusing to bow to the king's image

WEEK 3-Daniel's Friends Trust God : This lesson shows how God revealed His power and presence by preserving Daniel's friends in the fiery furnace

WEEK 4-Daniel Sees the Son of Man: This lesson shows how God gave Daniel a vision of Jesus

Week 5-Daniel Sees Future Kingdoms: This lesson shows how God gave Daniel visions of future kingdoms

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DATE OF LESSON: September 1, 2024 LESSON TITLE: Daniel Honor's God's Laws LESSON TEXT: Daniel 1:8-21 RELATED SCRIPTURES: II Chronicles 36:5-8; Psalm 119:105-112; Daniel 1:1-7 GOLDEN TEXT: "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat" (Daniel 1:8)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the **Senior High School Bible Class** book.

LESSON REVIEW

- 1. How did Daniel and his friend end up in Babylon?
- 2. In what ways did the Babylonians try to reeducate the young men, and what does their response say about their character?
- 3. Why were Daniel and his friends concerned about the king's diet?
- 4. Whose integrity is displayed in Daniel 1:9-10?
- 5. How do we know that the Lord's way of doing things is better than our way?

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- The Price of Evil (II Chronicles 36:5-8)

T- Request For Mercy on the Disobedient (I Kings 8:46-51)

W- Prayer For Help (Psalms 141:1-4)

Th- Committed to God's Word (Psalms 119:105-112)

F- Reward For Righteousness (II Samuel 22:21-25)

Sa- Faith Challenged (Daniel 1:1-7)

Su- Faith Triumphed (Daniel 1:8-21)

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DATE OF LESSON: September 8, 2024
LESSON TITLE: Daniel's Friends Will Not Bow
LESSON TEXT: Daniel 3:1, 8-18
RELATED SCRIPTURES: II Kings 19:14-37; Daniel 6:1-15; Matthew 4:8-11
GOLDEN TEXT: "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king"

(Daniel 3:17)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the **Junior High School Class** book.

LESSON REVIEW

- 1. What would you do if suddenly it was illegal to attend church or talk about Jesus?
- 2. What did God make clear to the Israelites in Exodus 20:5?
- 3. What motive did Nebuchadnezzar have in setting up his golden image?
- 4. How did the king respond when he found out that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego refused to bow down and worship the golden image?
- 5. Do you think Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego were afraid?
- 6. How did the king mock God?
- 7. What is an idol?
- 8. What are some idols people might worship today?

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Israel – God's Treasure (Deuteronomy 7:6-10) T- God Is Faithful to Deliver (II Kings 19:14-37) W- Praise the Lord Most High (Psalms 9:1-20) Th- Worship God Alone (Daniel 6:1-23) F- Serve God Alone (Matthew 4:8-11) Sa- The Golden Image (Daniel 3:2-7) Su- The King's Decree Defied (Daniel 3:1, 8-18)

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Classes will be held each Sunday Morning @ 8:30, prior to regular Sunday Morning Worship Service.

DATE OF LESSON: September 15, 2024
LESSON TITLE: Daniel's Friends Trust God
LESSON TEXT: Daniel 3:19-28
RELATED SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 43:1-7; Daniel 6:19-27
GOLDEN TEXT: "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him,.."

(Daniel 3:28)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the **Primary Bible Class** book.

LESSON REVIEW

- 1. Who did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego decide to obey? They decided to obey God rather than the king
- 2. How did the king punish Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego for disobeying him? He had them thrown into the fiery furnace
- 3. How hot did the king make the furnace? He made it seven times hotter
- 4. Why weren't Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego afraid? They knew that the one True God would be with them
- 5. How many men did the king see walking around in the furnace? He saw four men walking around
- 6. How did the king respond? He praised God for protecting Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego
- 7. Have you ever had to trust God to take care of you?

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- God, Our Shield (Psalm 7:6-11)

T-Anger Leads to Foolish Actions (Proverbs 14:16-17)

W- The Faithful Know God is Faithful (Psalm 18:20-30)

Th- Daniel's God to be Revered (Daniel 6:24-27)

F- The Lord Redeems His People (Isaiah 43:1-7)

Sa- Rejoice In God's Salvation (Psalm 92:1-8)

Su- Acknowledgment of the Most High (Daniel 3:19-28)

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DATE OF LESSON: September 22, 2024 LESSON TITLE: Daniel Sees the Son of Man LESSON TEXT: Daniel 7:9-14 RELATED SCRIPTURES: Mark 9:2-10; Revelation 1:9-16; 20:11-15 GOLDEN TEXT: I saw in the night visions, and behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days" (Daniel 7:13)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the **Beginner Bible Class** book.

LESSON REVIEW

- 1. What is a prophet? A prophet is a messenger who speaks or writes on behalf of God
- 2. What is sin? Sin is anything that goes against God's rules
- 3. What did Daniel say he saw (Daniel 7:13)? He said he saw the Son of Man coming with the clouds of heaven
- 4. Who is the Son of Man? Jesus is the Son of Man
- 5. What does it mean that the Son of Man is coming on the clouds of heaven? It means that when Jesus returns he will be bringing heaven down to earth with Him.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- John's Vision of the Son of Man (Revelations 1:9-16)
T- Jesus Transfigured (Mark 9:2-10)
W- God Is the Judge (Psalm 50:1-6)
Th- The Judgement of the Dead (Revelation 20:11-15)
F- The Arrogant Will Be Humbled (Isaiah 2:12-18)
Sa- Four Great Beasts (Daniel 7:1-8)
Su- Dominion of the Son of Man (Daniel 7:9-14)

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DATE OF LESSON: September 29, 2024 LESSON TITLE: Daniel Sees Future Kingdoms LESSON TEXT: Daniel 8:19-26 RELATED SCRIPTURES: Daniel 8:2-14; 12:1-4; Revelation 10:1-4 GOLDEN TEXT: "The vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days"

(Daniel 8:26)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the **Senior High School Bible Class** book.

LESSON REVIEW

- 1. Who was sent to Daniel to interpret his vision?
- 2. How was Daniel affected when the interpreter approached him?
- 3. What is the meaning of "the indignation" (Daniel 8:19)?
- 4. What nations are included as targets of divine indignation?
- 5. What is included in its final phase?
- 6. How was Alexander's empire divided after his death?
- 7. How did Antiochus persecute the Jews?
- 8. How will the antichrist's career parallel the career of Antiochus?
- 9. Why was Daniel told to close the vision?

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Destruction of the Wicked One (II Thessalonians 2:1-12)

T- Preserve God's Words Until the End (Daniel 12:1-4)

W- Seal Up the Prophesy (Revelation10:1-4)

Th- The Beginning of the End (Matthew 24:4-14)

F- The Male Goat and Ram (Daniel 8:1-8)

Sa- The Little Horn (Daniel 8:9-14)

Su-Victory Over A Fierce King (Daniel 8:19-26)