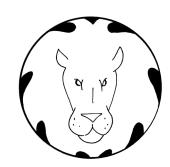


Lesson #3-13

HOPE IN THE LIONS' DEN

Daniel 6:6-27



Key Verse:

"[God] delivers and rescues, [God] works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth; for [God] has saved Daniel from the power of the lions." Daniel 6:27

The Point:

We can trust in God's faithfulness.

Unit Theme (December 1—December 22)

The Hope of the Messiah

PRAY AROUND THE WORLD

Recognize that God hears prayers everywhere.

Supplies:

- † World map
- † Bulletin board or large cardboard piece
- † Push pins

Instructions:

- 1. Remember, Daniel and the Israelites were in exile in Babylon, far from home, but Daniel knew he could still pray to God. Daniel also knew that God would hear his prayer even in the den full of lions. God hears our prayers wherever we are, and no matter what we are facing. God is always faithful and God will be with us.
- 2. Please come forward and put a pin on the map in a place you have prayed before.
- 3. Allow participants to do so.

- 4. Now, please come forward again and place a pin on a place you have prayed for.
- 5. If your congregation has any partnerships with churches or missionaries elsewhere in the world, you might take a moment to explain or remind participants of those partnerships. World events can also help cue thoughts about other areas that are in need of prayer.
- 6. Look at all these pins! God hears prayers all over the world. God hears your prayers no matter what you are facing or where you are located. You can always trust God and pray, because God is always faithful.
- 7. Let's take some time to pray for people in these areas. Invite participants to pray out loud, or lead a prayer on behalf of the group.