

3s, 4s & 5s

God TIME

July
Week 4

SPECIAL WORDS:

God [point up] wants me [thumbs to self] to make [pointer finger to head] the right [other pointer finger to head] choice. [thumbs up]

BIBLE STORY:

Daniel and the King's Food

Daniel 1

BIBLE VERSE TIME

Be kind and forgive one another.

(Draw the outline of a large smile in front of you) **Just as God** (point up) **forgave you.** (hug yourself)

Ephesians 4:32 NIV

[open hands like a Bible]

BIBLE STORY TIME

The kids had a great time learning this week about Daniel and his friends. They were taken from their home. In a foreign land they were hand-picked to go through strict training in order to be considered to serve in the King's Court. They were given fancy food, but they knew it was against what God had commanded them to eat. Instead, they requested to eat only vegetables and water. The person in charge of them didn't like this. He was afraid they would become weak. Daniel talked him into letting them try it for 10 days. After 10 days Daniel and his friends looked stronger and healthier than anyone else! God had taken care of them and blessed them for making the wise choice to honor Him. You can read this story to your child in Daniel 1 of a Children's Bible.

MEAL TIME



As a family, take turns naming different situations where someone has to make a choice (sharing a toy, telling the truth, obeying parents, choosing healthy food, being kind to a friend). After each one, have everyone give a thumbs up if it's the right choice or a thumbs down if it's the wrong choice. Talk for a moment about why God would want us to make that choice, just like Daniel chose to obey God instead of eating the king's food. End by saying together: "God wants me to make the right choice!"

PRAYER TIME



Have your child repeat this prayer after you.

Dear God,
[Dear God,]

Thank you for the Bible story.
[Thank you for the Bible story.]

Please help me
[Please help me]
to make the right choice.
[to make the right choice.]

In Jesus' Name,
[In Jesus' Name,]

Amen.
[Amen.]