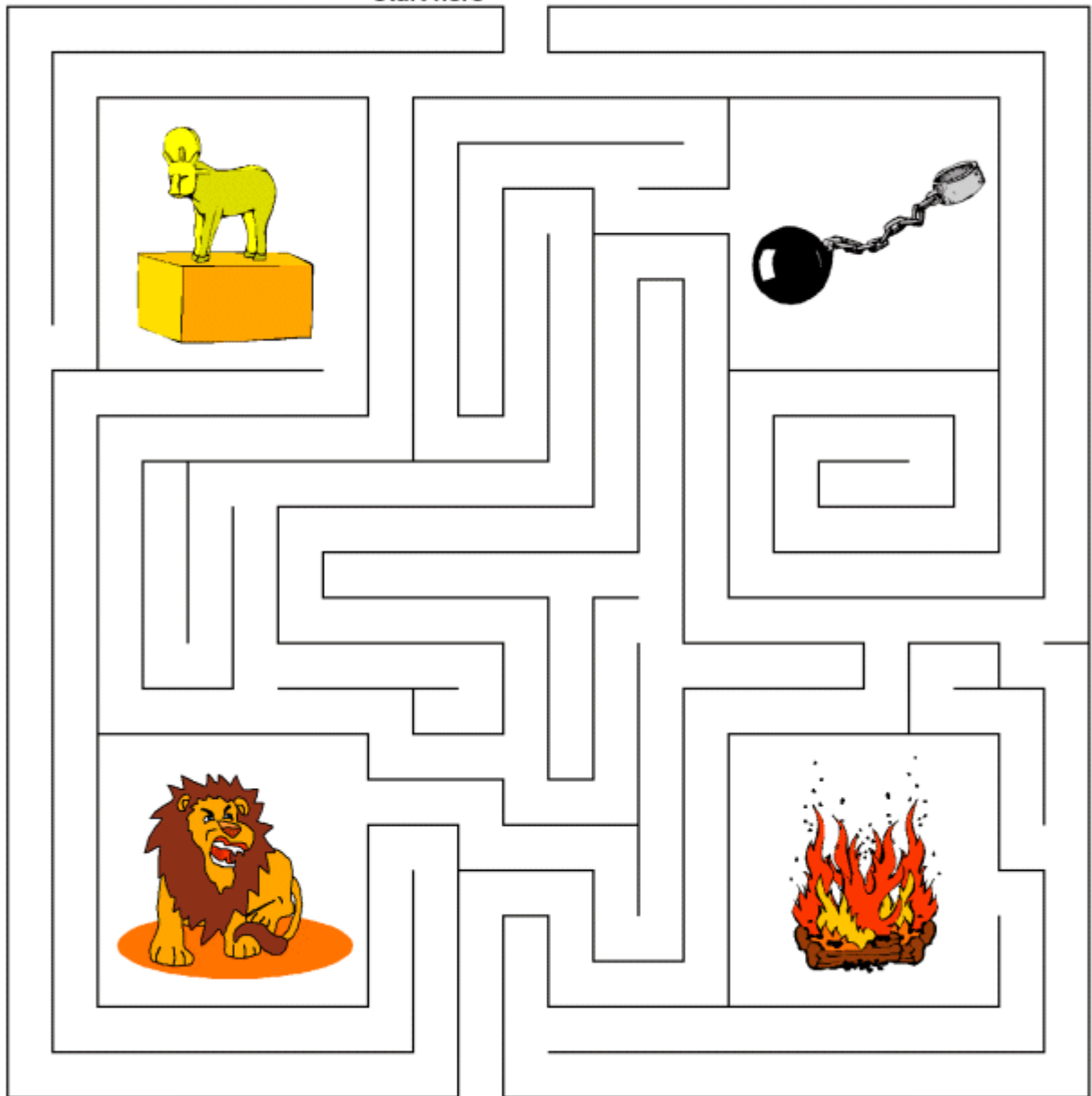


FIRE ESCAPE

Help Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-Nego find their way to safety.
Daniel 3:12-30



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Generation Next Sunday Service Teaching-14th April. 2013 by David A. Adeyeye, Esq

Topic: **Reputation of Courage: Daniel 3:10-30**

Key Activities:

- Praise & Worship
- Prayer & Prayer Request
- Bible reading & lessons
- Memory Verse for the week: Joshua 1:9 *"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go"*

INTRO: Last week we learnt how Daniel to built a good reputation and good character by not defiling himself with the King's meat and wine. Today, we would learn how Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego built a reputation of courage during their times as administrators over the province of Babylon. King Nebuchadnezzar decided to make an image of gold. A huge golden statue, nearly nine stories tall. When it was finished, all of the court officials were invited to the dedication ceremony. During the ceremony, a special announcement was made to all the people. Everyone must fall down and worship the statue whenever they heard certain music playing, or else be killed. But Shadrach, Meshach and Adednego belonged to God. Would they worship this golden image to stay alive, or remain faithful to God even if it meant death?

BIBLE Reading: Daniel 3:10-30. Let's find out what happened. (Class) follow along in the reading of Bible passages, each time I (teacher) come to the names of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, have the (Class) say these names with you out loud

Class Reflection:

1. When were the people supposed to worship the golden image? (*Whenever they heard the music played.*)
2. What would happen to someone who was caught not worshipping the image? (*Killed in a furnace.*)
3. Why did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego have the courage to refuse to bow down to the statue? (*They had faith that God would save them.*)
4. What did Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego do in verse 28 that impressed the king so much? (*They trusted in God and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any other god.*)
5. Who did the king praise after the three came out completely unharmed? (*God.*)
6. How can we find the courage we need to remain faithful to God during times of trouble, pressure or persecution? (*Answers will vary.*)

Fun Activities: 1) Being Close to God. 2) Fire Escape Maze. 3) The Fiery Furnace (Skit)

Home work: write down in exercise book, at least two situations in which you might find yourself to be courageous in order to remain obedient to God each from today to Saturday and submit back to me on Sunday next

To parents:

This page lets you know what your child learned in GenerationNext today. In addition, you will find this week's memory verse, a suggested activity, and a short prayer to reinforce the lesson.



What we learned:

Children learned that God gives us the courage and encouragement we need to remain obedient to Him, even during difficult situations, pressure of worldly temptations, and instances of persecution. (Scripture used: Daniel 3:10-30)



Memory Verse:

"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:9 KJV

Memorize this verse with your child.



Suggested Parent/Child Activity:

Hold a family gathering and discuss in depth on what your family values are based. Set a strong foundation, a reason for what you believe, so that your child's faith will stand firm during turbulent times.



Daily Prayer:

Father God, give us wisdom to know what is right and the courage to reject that which is corrupt. May we hide Your Word in our heart, so that we may not sin against You. May we be like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and do the right thing no matter what the danger. Amen