



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3
Prophets & Promises Part 2: Elijah–Malachi
Unit 9, Lesson 46

Daniel's and the Lions' Den

Lesson Aim: To know God keeps us safe.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: Daniel and the Lions' Den
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: God's Help
- PUPPET CENTER: Noisy Lions
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE CENTER: Bubbling Praise

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO IS LORD OF ALL

What people watch over us and keep us safe? (Parents, grandparents, older siblings, police, doctors, nurses, firefighters, teachers.) **Who else keeps us safe?** (God.) **That's right. Every moment of the day, He keeps us safe. Let's pray and thank Him for that.** Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. **Dear God, Thank You for giving us people who help keep us safe. Thank You for loving us so much that You watch over us and keep us safe, too. Amen.**

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE: Practice Bible Memory Verse with the motions. "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord." Psalm 150:6

THE WORD GOD KEPT DANIEL SAFE IN THE LIONS' DEN CLASSROOM PROMISE

Open the umbrella away from the children. **Who can tell me what I brought today?** (An umbrella.) **What do we use umbrellas for?** (To protect us from the rain.) **I brought one more thing with me.** Show the sunglasses. **What are these?** (Sunglasses.) Put them on. **What do**

we use sunglasses for? (To protect our eyes from the sun.) **When it is raining, an umbrella will keep us safe from the rain. When the sun is shining, sunglasses will keep our eyes safe.**

If we are in a scary situation, who can we trust to keep us safe? (God.) **Daniel learned that lesson when he came face-to-face with a den of hungry lions. Let's find out what happened.** Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Daniel 6:22.

WATCH THE WORD: DANIEL 6:14-23, 25-27

Read poem. Display visual.

- **Daniel was a good man.**
- **He was thrown into the lions' den.**
- **The king was very worried,**
- **For Daniel was his friend.**
- **Daniel said, "I am safe,**
- **For an angel God did send.**
- **The angel shut the lions' mouths;**
- **God saved me in the lions' den."**
- **The king was very happy.**
- **He made a new law for the land.**
- **He said, "All must honor Daniel's God,**
- **For God's kingdom will not end!"**

Who did God send to shut the lions' mouths? (His angel.) **God kept Daniel safe in the lions' den. Does God keep us safe?** (Yes.)

THE WAY GOD KEEPS US SAFE

CRAFT: Lion Mask

GAMES: Act It Out, The Lions' Den

SNACK: Lion Snack

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Daniel 6:14-23, 25-27

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Praise Balloon, Instrument Praise

STORY TIME