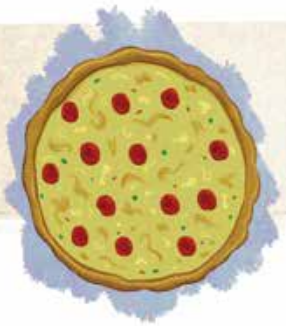


# Journal Page

Write about a decision you can make that would honor God or show obedience to Him.



## FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Share about a time when obedience wasn't easy.
- How do you think God wants believers to live differently than unbelievers?
- How can we honor God with our choices and actions?



## Daniel and His Friends Obeyed God

Daniel 1

### MAIN POINT: DANIEL OBEYED GOD BY NOT EATING THE KING'S FOOD.

Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon, went with his army to Judah. God allowed King Nebuchadnezzar to take over the city.

King Nebuchadnezzar told one of his leaders to bring some of the people to Babylon. He wanted boys who were healthy, handsome, and good learners to serve in his palace.

Every day, the boys ate the same food and drank the same drinks that the king ate and drank.

Four of the boys who came from Judah were different than the others. They worshiped the Lord, the one true God. Their names were Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

Daniel wanted to obey God. God's laws told Daniel what he could and could not eat. Daniel was not allowed to eat some of the food that the king gave the boys. Daniel asked the man in charge for permission to eat other foods.

Daniel said, "Try this for 10 days. Let us eat only vegetables and drink only water." The guard agreed. At the end of 10 days, Daniel and his friends looked healthier than the young men who had eaten the king's food.

God was happy that Daniel obeyed Him. God blessed Daniel and his friends. Daniel served the king for many years.

*Christ Connection: Daniel chose to obey God no matter what, and God blessed Daniel and his friends. In an even greater way, Jesus always obeyed God. He came to earth and followed God's plan to save sinners. Jesus never sinned, but He died the death we deserve. Jesus rose from the dead, and those who trust in Him receive God's forgiveness and blessing.*

# Friends in Babylon

Decode the names of the four boys in today's Bible story.



## Honoring Our God

Circle the things that are honoring to God. Cross out the things that do not honor God. Then use the bolded letters in the God-honoring things to fill in the missing letters in today's main point.

- PRAYER
- CHEATING
- BIBLE STUDY
- GIVING
- DISOBEDIENCE
- LYING
- SERVICE
- PRIDE
- THANKSGIVING
- OBEEDIENCE

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