

GROUP LESSON

KIDS COMMUNITY GROUP LESSON (IN THE DARK OR IN THE LIGHT, GOD IS WITH ME DAY AND NIGHT!)

Leader's Guide for groups occurring November 14th to November 20th

Bible Lesson:

When do you feel lonely, in a crowd, at school, at home, or some other time?

When King Nebuchadnezzar captured Jerusalem, he chose some of the best and brightest young men to come work in his palace. He wanted them to become more like the Babylonians so he gave them their food and drink, and tried to get them to worship false gods. Read Daniel 3 or read the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in a Children's Bible.

Discussion Questions:

- Describe the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had built.
- Why did he ask all the officials to come and see it?
- What new command did he issue for all the people of Babylon? If the people didn't follow this rule, what was their punishment?
- What did the Babylonians do when they heard the music play?
- Why did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refuse to worship the statue?
- How did the King find out? How did the King react when he heard they weren't following his laws?
- What was their punishment?
- Why did the soldiers die when they threw the three men into the furnace? What did everyone see when they crowded around Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?
- Was God with them when they went into the furnace? Do you think they felt alone as they were tied up and thrown into the fire?
- Did they have faith that God would be with them? How can you ask God to be with you this week when you feel alone?

Memory Verse:

"No power in the sky above, or in the earth below, indeed nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord". - Romans 8:39