



# Unit Theme: Hearing God's Voice

## GOD SPEAKS TO DANIEL & THE KING

### AUGUST 16TH

#### WORSHIP

Join the Elementary in the Clubhouse for a time of Worship!

**Song # 1:** Superhero!

**Song # 1:** Wake!

**Song #2:** Walk on Water!

**Song #2:** No Fear in Love!

**Song #3:** Grateful!

**Song #3:** Who You Say I Am!

#### AGREEMENTS

Make a verbal agreement together to follow the following guidelines:

- #1 - I can LISTEN
- #2 - I can LEARN
- #3 I can STAY SAFE
- #4 I can SHOW RESPECT
- #5 I can PARTICIPATE

#### MISSIONS FOCUS

#### DECLARATIONS

Take time to declare out loud the following Biblical Truths together as a class:

- #1 - God is always Speaking!
- #2 - I can Hear God's Voice!
- #3 - God speaks in many different ways!
- #4- God can speak to us to Help Others!

**-Location:** Dominican Republic ((Find Location on globe)

**-LifePointe Missionaries:** Sandy Poe  
(Show photo of Missionary)

**-Offering:** (Explain why we give to God our tithes & Missions Offerings)

**-Pray:** (Ask a child to help you pray over the nation, missionaries, and bless the offering!)



#### BIBLE VERSE

Today's Verse:

*"He reveals mysteries from the darkness And brings the deep darkness into light. -Job 12:22*

Show your kids how to find the verse together in the bible. Demonstrate as you search for the Book, Chapter, then Verse. Then, pick a portion of the verse to memorize. Say that part of the verse together and make up motions to go with each key word! Lastly, take time to discuss what Truths they can take away from the verse.

#### TRUTH

Today's Truth: God Can Speak to us to Help Others!

*(Say it to the kids & have them repeat after you. Come up with original motions or use ASL & Repeat this Truth all morning long!)*

## BIBLE STORY

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**Today's Bible Story: God Speaks to Daniel and the King** ( Utilize Bible Story Pictures as you Read)

In the Old Testament, we read about a Prophet named Daniel. Daniel and his friends served the one true God, but they worked as "Wise Men" for a King who worshiped false gods. One night King Nebuchadnezzar had a dream. When he awoke the next morning, he was very disturbed. He knew he had dreamed about something important. But he was even more upset because he could not remember the dream. The king called his wisest advisors and interpreters before him. "I had an important dream last night," he said. "Tell me what it means." "But we don't know what you dreamed," they replied. "Tell us your dream. Then we can tell you what it means. Otherwise, how can we interpret it?" The king became very angry. "If you really were the wisest men in Babylon, you would know what I dreamed," he said.

Twice the wise men asked about the dream. But the king could not remember. He became so angry that he ordered that all the wise men in the empire were to be killed! Daniel and his friends were not among the men who had been called before the king. But they were among those who would be killed. When they heard about it, Daniel talked to Arioch, the captain of the king's guard. Daniel asked Arioch to explain what was wrong. Then Daniel went before the king. He asked Nebuchadnezzar for time to discover the dream and what it meant. Daniel and his friends spent that night in prayer.

As they prayed, God gave Daniel a vision. He showed Daniel the king's dream and told Daniel the meaning. The next morning Daniel hurried to Nebuchadnezzar's palace. He told the king exactly what he had seen: a huge statue with a head of gold, a chest of silver, thighs of bronze, legs of iron, and feet of iron mixed with clay. A rock fell from heaven and crushed the feet. The whole statue fell over and was destroyed. Then Daniel explained the meaning to Nebuchadnezzar.

His dream had predicted the future. King Nebuchadnezzar was a strong king, but someday his kingdom would fall from power. The king of another country would take over. Later, still another kingdom would take over. Each kingdom that came into power would be weaker. Finally God would set up His kingdom, a kingdom that would never end. None of the idol-worshipping advisors had been able to tell the king his dream. Only Daniel's God could do that. "Your God is the true God," Nebuchadnezzar told Daniel. Finally, the king made Daniel governor over Babylon. In this position Daniel could help others know about the God of heaven.

Just like we learned in today's memory verse and Truth, God speaks to us to help others! One way God can speak is through visions and dreams! God gives us understanding! Every day, we can learn to recognize how God speaks more and more!

## DISCUSSION TIME

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Allow the kids time to ask Discussion questions and reiterate Today's Truth from the Bible Lesson!

## REAL LIFE APPLICATION

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Share a personal story or testimony of a time when God spoke to you in a vision or dream OR God spoke to you in order to help someone else!

## PRAYER & MINISTRY TIME

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- Prayer for healings (Practice using their authority in Christ to proclaim healing in Jesus' name!)
- Prayers of Encouragement (Practicing sharing God's loving thoughts to one another!)
- Prayer Requests (Give everyone opportunities to share)
- Pray together (Encourage a child to help you pray aloud)

## TESTIMONIES / PRAISE REPORTS

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Allow the kids time to testify to what God has done! Once they have shared what God did for them, have the rest of the family say together, "DO IT AGAIN GOD, DO IT AGAIN!" Then, ask that child to tell you who God revealed himself to be in that testimony. Give them suggestions, (ie. God is my Provider, Protector, Healer, etc.) Then, ask the rest of the family if they want to experience God in that way too! Then, have that child release that testimony over the rest of the family and pray you all could experience God as our (Provider, Protector, Healer, etc.) as well!

## ACTIVITY OPTIONS

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**Option #1:** LISTENING TO GOD ACTIVITY PAGE and/or COLORING PAGE!

**Option #2:** BIBLE STORY VIDEO! Watch together and discuss! -<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=csWfhOlgNcU>

**Option #3:** FELT BOARD BIBLE STORY! Read the Bible Story & Use the felt board to show visuals!

**Option #4:** ACT IT OUT! Assign each person a role from today's story and act it out together. Get creative with props!

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Bible Story Highlight: God Speaks to Daniel and the King

## Discussion Questions!

- Who was Daniel? (A Prophet of the One True God & Wiseman for King Neb.)
- Why was the king's mind troubled? (He had a troubling dream)
- What did the king require of his wise men? (Tell him his dream and what it means)
- Why did Nebuchadnezzar become angry with the wise men? (They said no man could do what the king asked. They needed him to tell them his dream)
- What was the King going to do to the wise men who couldn't do his request? (Have them killed)
- How did Daniel find out what the king dreamed and what it means? (He and his friends prayed and asked God)
- What did the king dream about? (A large statue made of different types of metals)
- What did the dream mean? (It was about Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom and future kingdoms that would be destroyed by a kingdom that could never be destroyed)
- What was the King's response to Daniel after he shared the interpretation? (The King told him, "Your God is the true God," and he made Daniel governor over Babylon. So, Daniel could help others know about the one true God!

Pray and ask that God would speak to us to help those around us know Him more!

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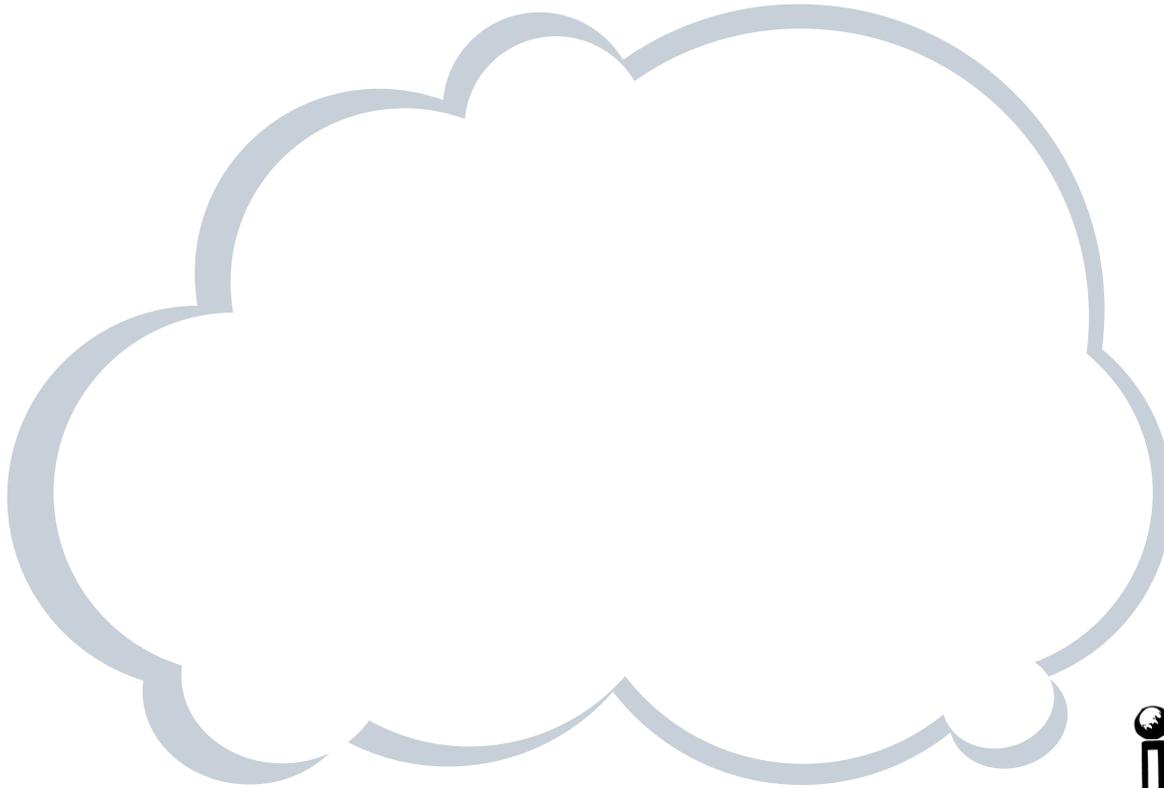
**Follow Up:** Just like we learned in today's memory verse and Truth, God speaks to us to help others! One way God can speak is through visions and dreams! God gives us understanding! Every day, we can learn to recognize how God speaks more and more!

**Close your eyes, ask God & Listen:** #1 - God, what are some of the good thoughts you have towards my friends or family?

#2 - God, how can I encourage those people this week?

Ask this child, "What did God show/tell you!" Then, write down their response below.

### Draw King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream Below!



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