

DANIEL

THE FIERY FURNACE

WORSHIP

Read Psalm 96 together, ascribing to the Lord the glory due His name.

FELLOWSHIP

Depending on your group, you may continue to process the events from Highland Park or you can use the question below:

What fictional world or place would you like to visit?

DISCUSSION

1. What stuck with you from the sermon on Sunday?

Read Daniel 3:1-12

2. What is the central conflict present in the passage?

3. Have you ever resisted the crowd in faithfulness to God? Share some examples as a group.

4. What idols does our culture promote in place of God?

Read Daniel 3:13-25

5. What's the difference between merely trusting that God will deliver them (v. 17) and declaring that they will worship Him no matter the outcome (v. 18)?

6. Shadrach Meshach and Abednego faced a crisis of persecution, were faithful and were delivered by God. Are there any people willing to share times when they faced a crisis, were faithful and then were delivered by God?

7. Shadrach Meshach and Abednego did not do it alone, but together. How can your small group encourage one another in times of crisis and/or cultural upheaval?

PRAYER

Share different prayer requests. If you desire, you may pray this to conclude:

(Taken from the Valley of Vision, and slightly modified):

O Lord, whose power is infinite and wisdom infallible,

I am entirely dependent upon You for support, counsel, and consolation.

Uphold me by thy free spirit, and may I not think it enough to be preserved from falling

but may I always go forward, always abounding in the work You have given me to do

Strengthen me by Your Spirit in my inner self for every purpose in my Christian life.

Amen

