

# Daniel and the Lion's Den

**SCRIPTURE:** Daniel 6

**MEMORY VERSE:** For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. Psalm 91:11

**CHARACTERS:** Daniel, jealous leaders, King Darius, lions, angel

If you came face-to-face with a lion, would you be afraid? I would be! But there's one man who was not afraid of lions because he trusted God to protect him. That man was Daniel.

The Bible says that Daniel and his friends were captured and carried to a faraway country called Babylon. Daniel trusted God. He worked hard and always tried to do the right thing and God blessed him. Daniel became a leader and one of King Darius' special helpers. But the other leaders were jealous of Daniel and wanted to get him into trouble with the king and get rid of him. So they made up a plan to trick the king into killing Daniel.

They knew that Daniel prayed faithfully everyday to God. So they asked the king to make a new law that "if anyone prays to any god or any man besides the king, that person would be thrown into the lions' den". The king agreed to the plan.

Daniel heard about the new law, but he was not afraid. He trusted God to take care of him. He continued to pray 3 times a day thanking God and asking God for help.

The jealous leaders told the king that Daniel was praying and disobeying the new law. This made the king sad because he liked Daniel but he had to follow the law. So the king gave the order to throw Daniel into the lions' den and a stone was placed over the mouth of the den. King Darius said, "May your God whom you serve continually rescue you."

The next morning King Darius went to the lions' den and called to Daniel, saying, "Has your God been able to rescue you from the lions?" To the king's surprise, Daniel answered, "My God has sent His angel and he shut the mouths of the lions." King Darius was so happy! Daniel didn't even have a scratch on him! King Darius was amazed at this miracle and praised God!

You can be like Daniel too! If you will trust God, work hard, and always try to do the right thing, God will take care of you too! God will protect you and bless you if you will put your trust in Him and believe in His Son Jesus to forgive your sins and give you eternal life. The Bible says, "Nothing is impossible with God." (Luke 1:37)

**Trust in Jesus today!!**