

THE BIBLE TELLS ABOUT BEING LOYAL

Bible Story: DANIEL: From Daniel 5

King Darius the Mede changed the government of Babylon. He set up 120 governors. Over them he appointed three presidents. One of the three, and head of them all, was Daniel.

This made the other presidents and the governors jealous. They began to find a way to get Daniel in trouble. They went to the king and asked him to make a law. This law would put anyone in the lion's den who prayed to any god or man other than the king.

"Give the order, and sign it with your name, King Darius, and make it one of the laws of our people that cannot be changed." King Darius nodded his head, and the law was made. He didn't know that these men were really wanting to get rid of Daniel.

Daniel, although he knew of this new law, still prayed three times a day. In his room with the windows open toward Jerusalem, he would give thanks to God as he had always been doing. His enemies were quick and eager to tell the king that Daniel was disobeying him. They were happy that Daniel disobeyed this new law.

When the king knew what he had done in making this new law, he was very upset. He tried to think of some way he could maybe save Daniel, but the law of the land could not be changed once he signed his name to it. So, the king had no choice but to give an order for Daniel to be thrown into the lions den.

After this, the king went back to the palace and didn't sleep at all that night because he was worried about Daniel, but in the lion's den Daniel was not afraid. The lions did not try to hurt him because God had shut their mouths. Daniel knew that God was looking after him.

The next morning, the king hurried to the lion's den. "O Daniel," he cried, "has your God been able to save you from the lions?"

Daniel replied: "O king, live forever. My God has shut the lion's mouths and they have not hurt me."

The king was so happy and excited when he heard Daniel's voice. He immediately ordered for Daniel to be brought out of the lion's den. Then the king commanded that the men who had wanted to harm Daniel, be thrown into the den of lions.

The king then ordered that Daniel's God should be worshiped everywhere in the land.

THE VALUE OF BEING LOYAL



What does it mean to be loyal?

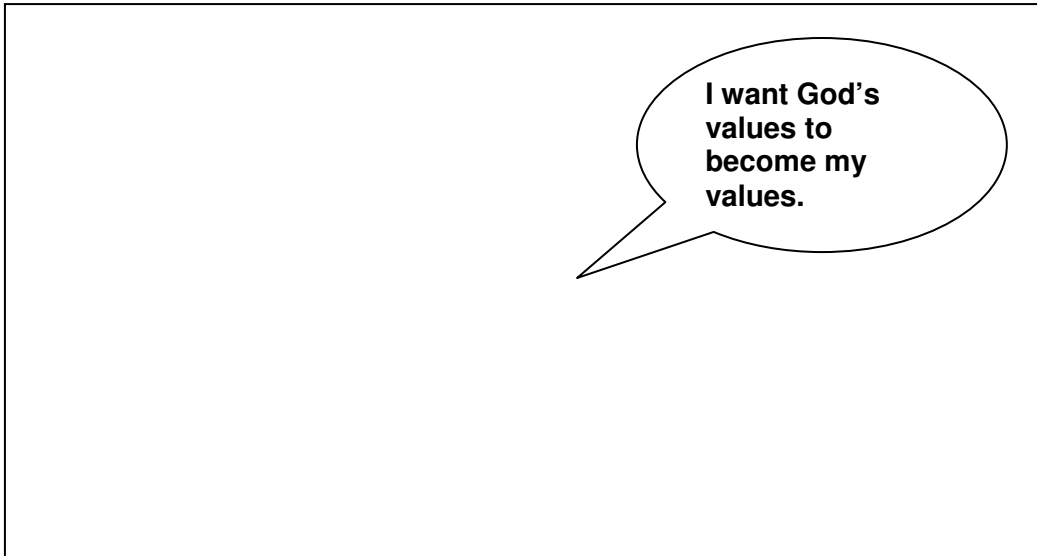
How do you learn about God's values?

My name is _____

Being loyal _____ important to me.
is is not

I _____ spend time standing up for what I believe God
do do not
wants me to do even when it may be hard.

Standing up for what God wants for you to do or for a friend even when it is hard is being loyal.



Draw a picture of yourself here. Are you thinking what is in the thought balloon?

Daniel Remained Loyal

Daniel remained loyal to his God. Can you solve the puzzle?

D I S N O I L
K I N G D S O
D E P S N U Y
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PRAY DANIEL JESUS
YOU LOYAL FRIEND
LIONS KING DEN



Daniel said, "My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me."

Daniel 6:21-22