

Dear Student,

This month, we will be learning about Daniel. Daniel lived many years after King Solomon and many changes had taken place in the kingdom of Israel. King Solomon lived around the year 960 BCE (before common era). Around 30 years later, the kingdom was divided into Israel and Judah. 200 years after that, the Assyrians took over Israel and scattered the people living there. 200 hundred more years go by, and the Babylonians conquered Judah and took most of the people captive. Daniel lived approximately 620 – 538 BCE.

In your bible, turn to the book of Daniel (it is the twenty-seventh book in the bible). Please read Chapter 6.

Have you ever been the target of bullying?

Have you ever bullied someone else?

Daniel might be called a goody two-shoes today. Even though he was a captive, he was trusted by the king. How do you think jealousy played into this story?

Why is it hard to be happy for the success of others?

The king was upset but he recognized that he could not break his own law. Have you ever been tricked into doing something that was unfair?

Do you think unjust laws or rules should be broken?

Have you ever broken a rule that you didn't think was fair?

How much courage did it take for Daniel to do what he did, knowing what the consequences were?

Sometimes it can be very hard to do the right thing. God intervened in the lion's den. Has anyone ever helped you?

Where do you get your courage from?

What did the king say to the people after he saw Daniel was safe?

Did Daniel's action help others believe in God?

What can you do to show your faith?

In your packet are some worksheets and a poster about courage. There are also some stickers for whenever anyone does something courageous.

Next month, we will meet Mary.

There are on-line lessons at <http://stannes-billerica.org/sunday-school-videos/>. These are lessons from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and not about the people of the bible that we are meeting in our take-home series. There is even one with Bishop Gayle Harris!

-Brenda Komarinski

**Courage:**

Have the Courage to Do the Right Thing



What does having courage mean to you?

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Describe a time when you had the courage to do the right thing:

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How does having courage help when you see bullying?

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How do you show courage?

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# God's Prayer Warrior: Daniel

My God sent his angel to shut the lions' mouths so that they would not hurt me, for I have been found innocent in his sight. Daniel 6:22 (NLT)



The activity is based on Daniel 6: 1-28.

*The words below have been written in code. Use the hints in the decoder at the top of the page to help break the code (the letters on top are the correct answers, the letters on the bottom are the code). Write the correct word on the line provided beside each code word.*

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- 18-5-19-3-21-5-4 \_\_\_\_\_
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## Independence

Yes I try

I can say no!

I assume responsibility

I can talk/deal with

my feelings

I am independent and

self-reliant

I can make positive

choices

Independence

## Mastery

Yes I try

I can deal with change

I set and achieve goals

I monitor my behavior

I deal with anger/failure

I complete tasks

## Generosity

Yes I try

I encourage others

I show appreciation

I can say "I'm sorry"

## Generosity

I share with others

I respond to needs

of others

Belonging

## Belonging

Yes I try

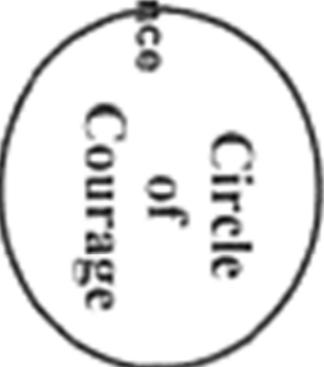
I feel I belongs

I share attention

I cooperate with others

I am sensitive to others

I can achieve consensus



## Courage in everyday things:

- Saying “I’m Sorry”
- Being honest, even if you get in trouble
- Being yourself
- Saying “No” to your friends
- Protecting someone who is being picked on
- Standing up in front of a crowd
- Choosing to do what is right
- Making a new friend
- Trying something new

