

## Hear Me Roar (Pre-K)

Week 2

### **BIG IDEA**

I'm not alone — God is with me!

### **BIBLE**

The Fiery Furnace: Daniel 3

## WELCOME TIME

### PLAY | Free Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Tables will be set with toys and activities for kids to play until the lesson begins. This is a great opportunity to get to know kids and build relationships.*
  - *Get on the floor and be silly*
  - *Play along with what they're playing*
  - *Ask get-to-know-you questions*
  - *Learn names and use them as you interact*

### MUSIC | Worship Playlist

**INSTRUCTIONS:** *During free time, use one of our spotify playlists to play some background music.*

### CLEAN UP

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Before moving onto the lesson content, play the "Clean Up" song and work together as a class to put all toys and activities away.*
  - *Place all toys in labelled tubs.*
  - *Place all tubs away in labelled cabinets*

## INTRO

### ACTIVITY | Still as a Statue

- Welcome to church, friends! I am so glad you're here for another day of fun and learning.

- **Have you ever seen a statue?** They're pretty cool, right?
- In our game today, you can pretend to be a statue, which means you have to stand as still as you can. Do you think you can do that?
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Play some fun music that kids can dance to. When the music stops, they should stop dancing and stand as still as a statue until the music plays again.*
- You were all awesome statues!
- Today in our Bible story, we'll hear about some real statues that were made from gold.

## STORY TIME

### SCRIPTURE | Daniel 3 (The Fiery Furnace)

- This month we're hearing about the life of a man named Daniel. Daniel's story comes from the Bible. The Bible is God's word and it shows us what God is like. We can learn so many things from the Bible!
- Last week, we learned that Daniel and his friends had to leave their home and move to Babylon. Well, the most incredible thing happened to Daniel and his friends and I can't wait for you to hear about it! Listen to this with me.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Play the [Bible story video](#).

### BIG IDEA | I'm not alone – God is with me!

- So let me get this straight. The king wanted everyone to bow to his statue instead of God, right? And even though they would get into big trouble if they disobeyed, Daniel's friends, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, said NO!
- The king got so mad that he threw the friends into a hot, hot furnace.
- But don't worry – they were okay! God protected them and they were safe.
- They were never alone. God was with them the whole time!
- That's true for each of us, too! We don't ever have to be alone, because God wants to be with us.
- That's our Big Idea for today . . . but I wonder where we can find it.  
**INSTRUCTIONS:** *Look around for a few seconds and then look over at the white board, where you'll find a lion announcing the Big Idea.*
- Here it is!
- *[read the Big Idea aloud.]* **I'm not alone – God is with me!**
- Stand up and let's say this together:
  - **I'm not alone** – *(shake head from side to side)*
  - **God** *(point up)*
  - **is with me!** *(use thumbs to point to self)*

### Music | Sing and ROAR!

- Great job, friends! I am so glad that God is with me, aren't you? I think it's time to get up and move around! Let's worship God together because he is always

with us!

- **SUPPLIES:**

- *motion videos*

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Play the motion videos and encourage kids to dance along! Here are the songs for this month:*

- "God is With Me"
- "Anything At All"
- "Attitude of Gratitude"
- "Very Big Things"

#### MEMORY VERSE | Nahum 1:7 (NIV)

- Great job singing and worshipping God! He loves to hear you.
- Do you know what really helps me remember that God is always with me? Memorizing a verse from the Bible that reminds me!
- Listen to our memory verse this month:
  - **"The Lord** (*make L's with fingers*) **is good** (*make two thumbs up*), **a refuge** (*hands over head like a roof*) **in times of trouble** (*two thumbs down*). **He cares** (*wrap arms around self like a hug*) **for those who trust** (*bring fist down on open palm*) **in him** (*point up*)."  
**Nahum 1:7** (*open and close hands like a book*)
- Let's practice our verse together with the motions. Then, at the end of the verse, let me hear you roar like a mighty lion!
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Lead kids to repeat words and motions after you. Then, ROAR!*
- That lion roar reminds us that God's promises are as strong as a mighty lion. We can always trust him!

#### PRAYER

- We're going to head to our small groups to talk with our friends about what we learned from the Bible today. Before we do, let's pray together.
- Can you show me you're ready to pray by folding your hands together and closing your eyes?
  - God, thank you that we are never alone. Help us to remember that you're always with us. Amen.

## SHARING TIME

#### ACTIVITY | Coloring Page

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Distribute [the coloring page](#) along with crayons. As the kids color, you can review today's Bible story, Big Idea, and memory verse.*

## DISCUSSION | Circle Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Roll a small orange, yellow, or red ball to one of the children. Ask that child a review question. Instruct the child to roll the ball to another child and ask another question. Continue play until all of the questions have been asked.
- **What did the king want everyone to do?**
- **Who said "no"?**
- **Why did they say "no"?**
- **Why do you think God wants us to only worship him?**
- **How do you worship God?**
- Daniel's friends were not alone in the furnace. They were with each other, and most importantly, God was with them!
- God is with you, too, so you can remember: **I'm not alone — God is with me!**

## MEMORY VERSE | Nahum 1:7 (NIV)

- Practice the memory verse with the kids in your small group.
  - **"The Lord** (make L's with fingers) **is good** (make two thumbs up), **a refuge** (hands over head like a roof) **in times of trouble** (two thumbs down). **He cares** (wrap arms around self like a hug) **for those who trust** (bring fist down on open palm) **in him** (point up)."  
**Nahum 1:7** (open and close hands like a book)
- Award prizes for saying the verse.

## PLAY TIME

## EXTRA TIME ACTIVITY | Praise Parade

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give each child a 12-inch length of streamers. Have them wave their streamers and parade around the room as you play upbeat music. You may even have different kids lead the parade.
- Daniel's friends didn't bow to the king because they only worshipped God. Let's worship God together now and celebrate that **I'm not alone — God is with me!**
- Waving these streamers look like colors of fire in the furnace!