

**Scripture reference:** Daniel and the Scary Sleepover: Daniel and the Lion's Den

**Story summary:** Daniel worked very hard for the king. King Darius wanted to make a new law that no one would be allowed to pray to any god for one month. When Daniel heard about the new law he was very sad. He had always tried to do his best to serve the king but he knew that he could not pray to King Darius. He decided to keep praying like he always did. When the King heard this, he ordered Daniel to be thrown into a lion's den. Before he put Daniel inside he said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you serve continually, rescue you!". The next morning the King checked on Daniel and he was alive. When Daniel was taken out of the den there was not one scratch on him. The king was so happy that Daniel was alive and ordered that everyone must show respect to "Daniel's God."

**Optional Lesson Strengthening:** When you think of a lion, what picture do you see? (encourage response from your group). Do you think of a tame lion in a zoo or do you think of a big, fierce lion in the wild? Did you know that lions are some of the deadliest killers on planet Earth, completely untamed! Daniel did not sleep in a den full of tame, content animals. The lions were kept hungry so they would devour anyone who even set foot in their territory. That makes the miracle of Daniel's story even more remarkable. God was strong enough to shut the mouths of the lions and save His servant Daniel. When we need strength, God will give that same strength to us as well. If we have faith even a fraction of Daniel's, we can face any fear knowing that God is behind us and He is mighty to save!

**Activities:**

**What you need:**

- Template
- Colouring in crayons or pencils
- Erasor
- Scissors\*

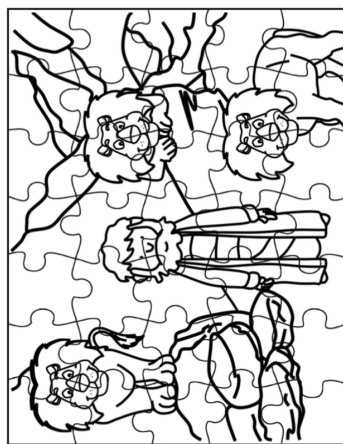
\*Cut out puzzle activity (Gr 1-2) in advance

**Further discussion:** There are some places in the world where you can be sent to jail if you obey God. Some people who obey God today can lose their jobs or their friends. Because you obey God, other people may laugh at you or ignore you or, like with Daniel, try to get you into trouble. The question is: will you obey God even when it might cost you?

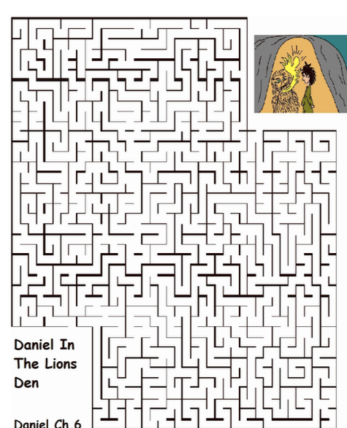
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Gr 3-4



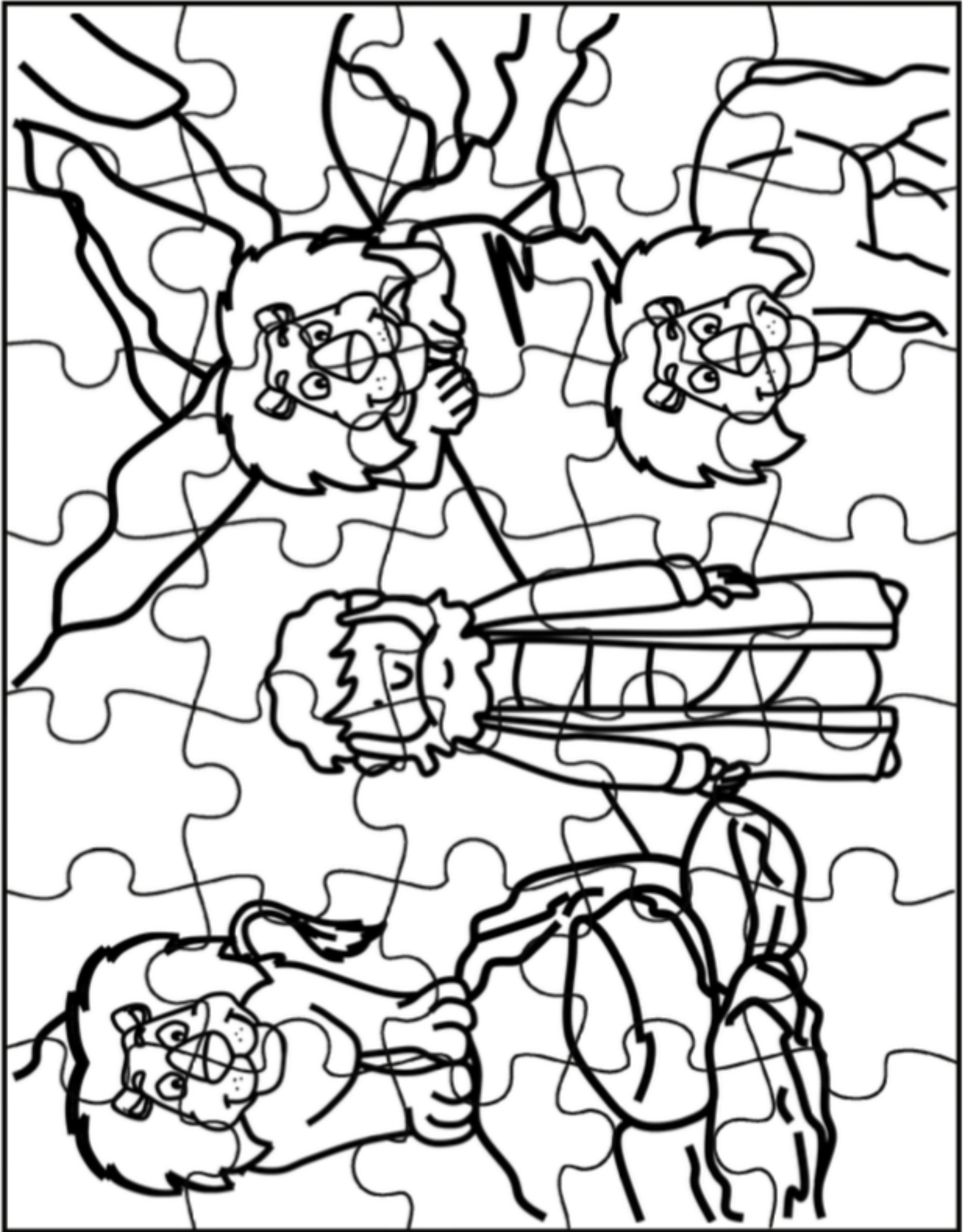
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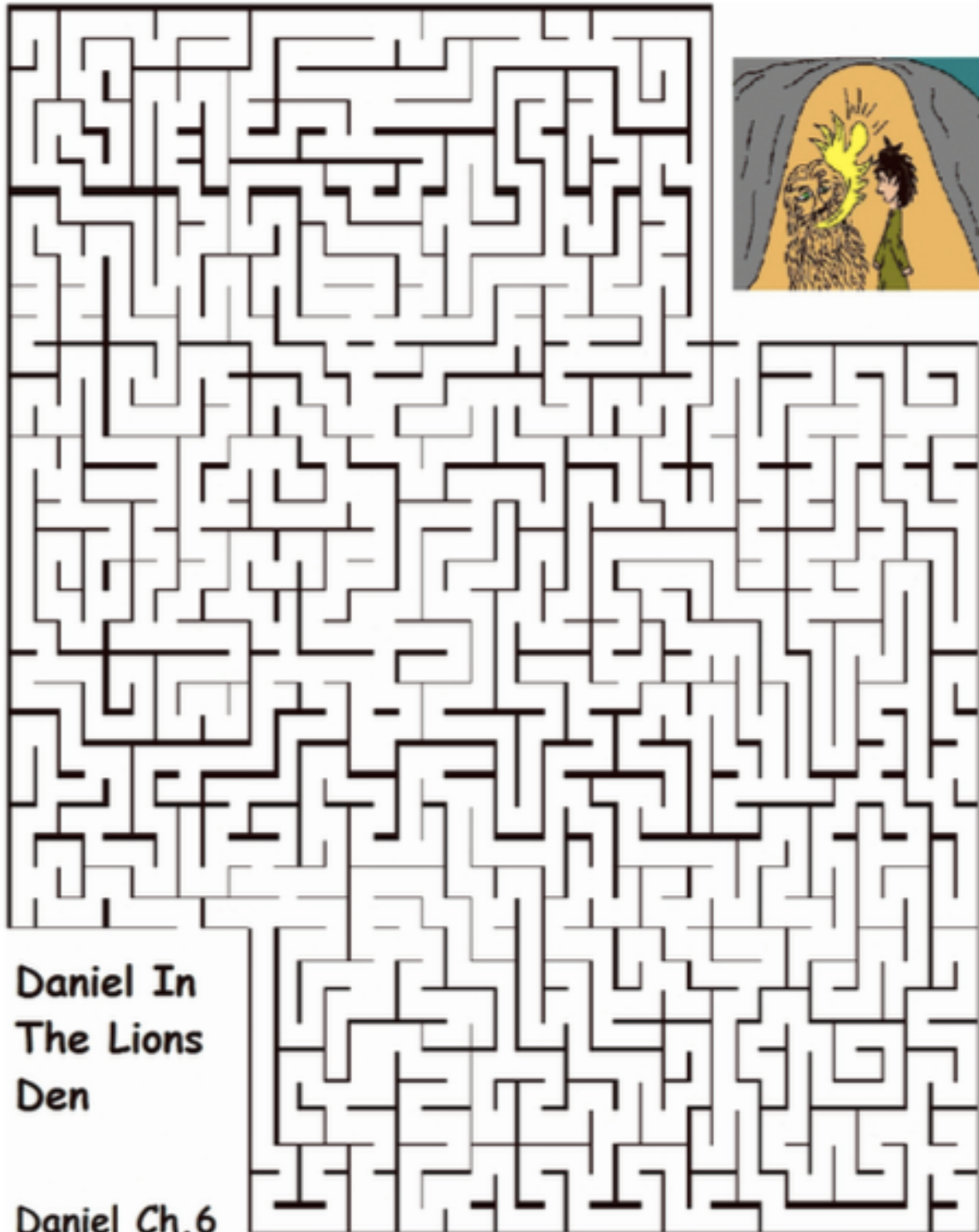
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| abeeilmss | blameless |
| aejlosu   | jealous   |
| hmostu    | mouths    |
| aberv     | brave     |
| alaw      | laws      |
| ilnos     | lions     |
| adepry    | prayed    |
| cdelos    | closed    |
| aegin     | angel     |
| cdeersu   | rescued   |







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