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DANIEL 4 ANOTHER DREAM

Scripture: Daniel 4:9-37

Open: Greet, Praises, Requests, Pray

Supplies: Paper, staples, colored pencils or markers, feathers (craft or real), large paper, cup of water (and volunteer willing to have it poured on them), tape, construction paper

Ask:

We've talked a bit about Nebuchadnezzar so far. Tell me what you think of him? What part has he played in our story?

Do you remember his dream and how he reacted to Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

Today, we're going to hear about another dream he had that he asks Daniel to interpret.

Read: Daniel 4:9-12

Activity:

Have the kids draw on the large posterboard or large paper the tree of Nebuchadnezzar's dream. Have them draw branches first. Then use colored construction paper to put leaves and fruit on the tree with tape.

Read: Daniel 4:13-15

Activity:

Rip the leaves and fruit off the tree and throw it on the ground. Next, tear the large paper, ripping off the branches of the tree. Finally, draw a chain around the stump you have left.

Read: Daniel 4:16-18

Ask:

What do you think about this dream so far? (allow for answers)
Let's see what happens next

Read: Daniel 4:19-27

Ask:

What do you think about the interpretation?
How would you feel if you were Daniel, telling that to the King?
How do you think the King will react? Will he listen and repent? Or no?

Read: Daniel 4:28-33

Act it Out:

While you are reading what happens to Nebuchadnezzar, have a volunteer (preferably a leader) act it out. If you want to make paper claws, do so and give them to the volunteer. Place craft feathers on him (or crafted ones), pour the cup of water on him, have him fake eating grass.

Read: Daniel 4:34-37

Apply:

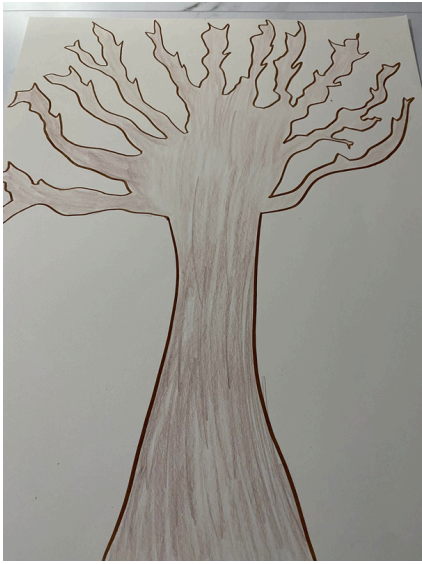
Like Nebuchadnezzar, we can all become prideful. We can think too highly of ourselves and forget to give honor and glory to God. But God makes it clear that all glory and honor belong to him. This week, try each day to give God glory for something. Give him glory for the food you eat, your friends, your clothing, for compliments you receive. He deserves all our praise and glory!

Craft:

Make paper hats with feathers for the kids to take home. Tell them this is to remind them not to be prideful like Nebuchadnezzar was. We started the quick saying, "Pride is for the birds! Give glory to God"

Memorize: Daniel 2:47

Close in Prayer



To make the feather hats, cut a long strip of paper that can fit around a child's head. Then glue or tape feathers to the inside. Once finished, staple or tape the hat together in a circle.

