

# JESUS FOLLOWERS LIVE FOR THE ONE KING

## BIG TRUTH: JESUS FOLLOWERS LIVE FOR THE ONE KING

Exodus 20:3-5; Deuteronomy 6:5, 14-15

### BIBLE VERSE: DANIEL 3:16-18

*“Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, ‘O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the golden image that you have set up.’”*

### BIG IDEAS

- Living for the one true King means rejecting false saviors.
- When we reject false saviors, people will reject us.
- Jesus is our King when following Him is better to us than life itself.

## BIBLE PASSAGE: DANIEL 3

### UNITE - I AM CALLED

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

### SERIES AIMS



#### Every student should know that...

- God is the One True King.
- Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.
- There is a cost to following Jesus.



#### Every student should feel...

- Confident in the steadfastness of the Lord.
- Grateful for the cloud of witnesses that we have as a model for how to faithfully follow Christ.
- Grounded in Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.



#### Every student should strive to...

- Examine their own heart and repent of how they have followed false saviors.
- Pray regularly asking the Lord to grow their faith in Him.
- Endure through discouragement and difficult circumstances.



#### Every student should want...

- To devote themselves to pursuing holiness.
- To suffer well for the glory of God.
- To use their lives to point others to a better Savior, King, and Treasure.

## STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder what it looks like to treasure Jesus more than our lives. We will pray for hearts that seek to worship Jesus alone. We will practice following the one true King and rejecting false saviors.

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### Read and meditate on Daniel 3.

As you read this chapter ask yourself some of these questions:

- What would it look like for you to reject false saviors? Do you daily examine your heart for idols? How can you face persecution like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in your daily life?

### Ponder what it means to live for the one true King.

- Do you live for Jesus every day?
- How can you adjust your life so that it shows you are living for the true King?



### Set aside time each day to pray.

- Pray that the Holy Spirit guides your heart to not fear rejection so that you stand faithfully for Jesus in your daily life.
- Pray with your small group leader. Pray that you can stand firmly like the three faithful friends.



### Make a list of some of the fears you have when you think about standing up for Jesus and the Gospel.

- Next to these fears jot down a short prayer asking God to help you overcome them.
- Discuss with your small group leader some ways you can stand boldly and firmly like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego this week. What are some areas you need to practice boldness? Who are some people you need to express your faith to in an attempt to be more bold?