

Discussion Questions Course 203–1

Large Group

1. What choice was Chris struggling with in today's adventure?
2. Why did he want to pass the test so badly?
3. What do you think Chris will end up doing; will he actually cheat and use the test answers?
4. Would you say that the three Hebrew men patiently endured testing and temptation?

Small Group

Game

1. What do you think made Chris change his mind about not using the test answers?
2. Do you think Chris was willing to accept missing the trip to the amusement park; if so, why?
3. Was Chris a good example for the other children who did use the answers, and why?
4. What was the most difficult part of the game—not stepping in the fiery furnace or keeping your balloon out of it?

Teaching

1. When the pressure becomes too much for us, what happens?
2. How can we stand up for God and obey Him even when others don't?
3. What happened this time—did we give in and fall down? Were we influenced to disobey?
4. The pressure did not affect us; we stood firm! What do you think happened here?
5. Is it easy to obey God when everyone else is doing the opposite?

SuperVerse

1. If we are obedient and faithful to God, what does our SuperVerse tell us will happen?

Additional Activities

Worship Activity

1. What are some things that some people think are more important than God?

Object Lesson

1. Have you ever gotten too close to an oven, campfire, or a fireplace—what did it feel like?
2. When you stand next to a campfire or fireplace, what do your clothes smell like; even the next day?
3. Open the plastic bag with the smoky shirt and pass the bag around the classroom, allowing children to smell the shirt inside. What does this smell like?

Head or Tails Game

1. Why was it difficult to be the tail?

Bible Study

2 Timothy 1:7

1. Explain the advantage God's power gives us when we are weak. Do you ever feel like giving up or giving in?

2. What do we often fear when we go against the crowd and stand for what is right?
3. Why do we need God's love in the battle?
4. Were the three men timid in our story?
5. Why is it important not to be timid when standing for God?
6. What is self-discipline? How does it relate to obedience?

Ephesians 6:13–17

1. Is this armor we actually put on?
2. How can we put it on? Is it okay to just put on some armor?
3. Can we put it on one time and forget about it?
4. How do you think knowing and believing you are saved is a helmet to us?
5. What does it protect us from?
6. How can faith stop Satan's weapons?
7. Why do you think it is important to have peace in a battle?
8. God's Word is a sword; a sharp and powerful weapon! Why is it important to know the Word of God?
9. How can it help us to fight Satan's lies?
10. How can the Word be used as a weapon?
11. How can God's Word be used to help us grow and strengthen our weaknesses?

Ephesians 6:18

1. How can prayer be an offensive and defensive weapon?
2. What does it mean to pray in the Spirit?
3. Is it important to pray for other believers; why?
4. What should we ask God for when we are faced with a trial, testing or temptation?
5. Why is it important to start our day with prayer?