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Bible Study:

Like Daniel, Hananiah (The Lord is gracious), Mishael (Who is like God?) and Azariah (The Lord is my help) were given Babylonian names: Shadrach (Inspired of Aku), Meshach (Belonging to Aku) and Abednego (Servant of Nego). In Daniel 3 we see that **in Faith**, the three young men stayed true to their Hebrew Names, and God was glorified!

The gospel in the story:

The memory verse for this week proclaims the very heart of the Gospel message – **God is able to save**. Jesus' name means The Lord is Salvation! What is amazing in this story, is that God gave this important truth to Hananiah, Mishael and Azaria who were Jews living in captivity as part of God's judgment on the nation of Israel for forsaking Him. Even though Israel had forsaken God, God had not forsaken all of Israel. God gave the three young men knowledge of Him and faith to remain true to Him. God did this to bring glory to Himself.

*Application**Head:* **What did we learn?**

- Q: Who is Nebuchadnezzar? A: King of Babylon.
Q: Does Nebuchadnezzar follow God? A: No, he puts his faith in false gods
Q: Who are Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah?
A: Jews who have been selected by Nebuchadnezzar to work for him.
Q: What causes the three friends to get in trouble with Nebuchadnezzar? A: They refuse to bow down to a statue.
Q: What punishment do they receive? A: They are tied up and thrown into a fiery furnace.
Q: How does God protect them? A: He sends an angel to protect them.
Q: How does Nebuchadnezzar respond? A: He decrees it to be illegal for anyone to say anything against the God of Israel.

Heart : **Memory verse**

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Hands: **How does this affect the way I live?**

When faced with pressure to turn away from God's ways, we can remain strong in the knowledge that only God has the power over life and death. As Nebuchadnezzar said, "No other god can save in this way." Share with each other ways in which the worries of the world can threaten that faith.

Home: **How does this affect my household?**

Discuss your birth names and their meanings, and pray about your new names in Jesus. God desires that Christian households be primarily known for their faith and loving devotion to God and each other.

Heaven: **How does this help us share our faith?**

Share with someone in your life how even when faced with tragedy and peril, you knew God would not abandon you. This is a strong testimony for those who do not yet know Jesus!