

## READ IT

This week's Bible story is

### **Daniel and the Lions**

from Daniel 6:1-28.

#### **God is with us when we're afraid.**

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Daniel
- King Darius
- Law
- Lions' den
- Pray

The book of Daniel is written in both ancient Hebrew and Aramaic. Ancient Hebrew was spoken by the Israelites. Modern Hebrew is one of the official languages of Israel. Aramaic was spoken by Jesus.

#### **Read the whole story together in the Bible!**

*Spark Story Bible* pages 184-189

*Spark Bible* pages 964-965

#### **Family Prayer**

Hold hands together for this prayer.

**Dear God, we give you thanks that you are always with us. Help us to have confidence when we are afraid, that your presence is sure. AMEN.**

## TALK ABOUT IT



### **Family Conversations**

- 1** When you are frightened, who helps you feel safe?
- 2** When do you pray to God? What do you pray for?
- 3** What would we do as a family if praying became illegal?
- 4** Is fear good or bad? How can we work to make the world a less fearful place?



### **Eye Spark**

When you see the letter "L," make an L-shape with your fingers. Then close them quickly like God closed the lions' mouths.



### **Ear Spark**

Listen for sounds that someone might be afraid of, then say, "God is with us."

## LIVE IT

### **For families to do together**

Daniel prayed three times a day. Find three times during the day to pray together as a family: before or after meals, when you wake up, at nap-time, or before bed. Try some new ways of praying like singing, dancing, or drawing a prayer. Explore prayer together!

### **For younger kids**

Pray for someone you know is going through a difficult time. Tell them you're praying for them.

### **For older kids**

Find the sound of lion roars on the internet. Turn up your speakers! Is it scary? Play it back for yourself whenever you feel afraid of something. Know that God is with you.



# Daniel and the Lions



King Darius and Daniel were good friends.

# Pray to God

Daniel prayed to God and God was with Daniel. God kept Daniel safe. Follow the path of letters that spell the word PRAY to help Daniel get from the lions to King Darius. Start with the letter "P".

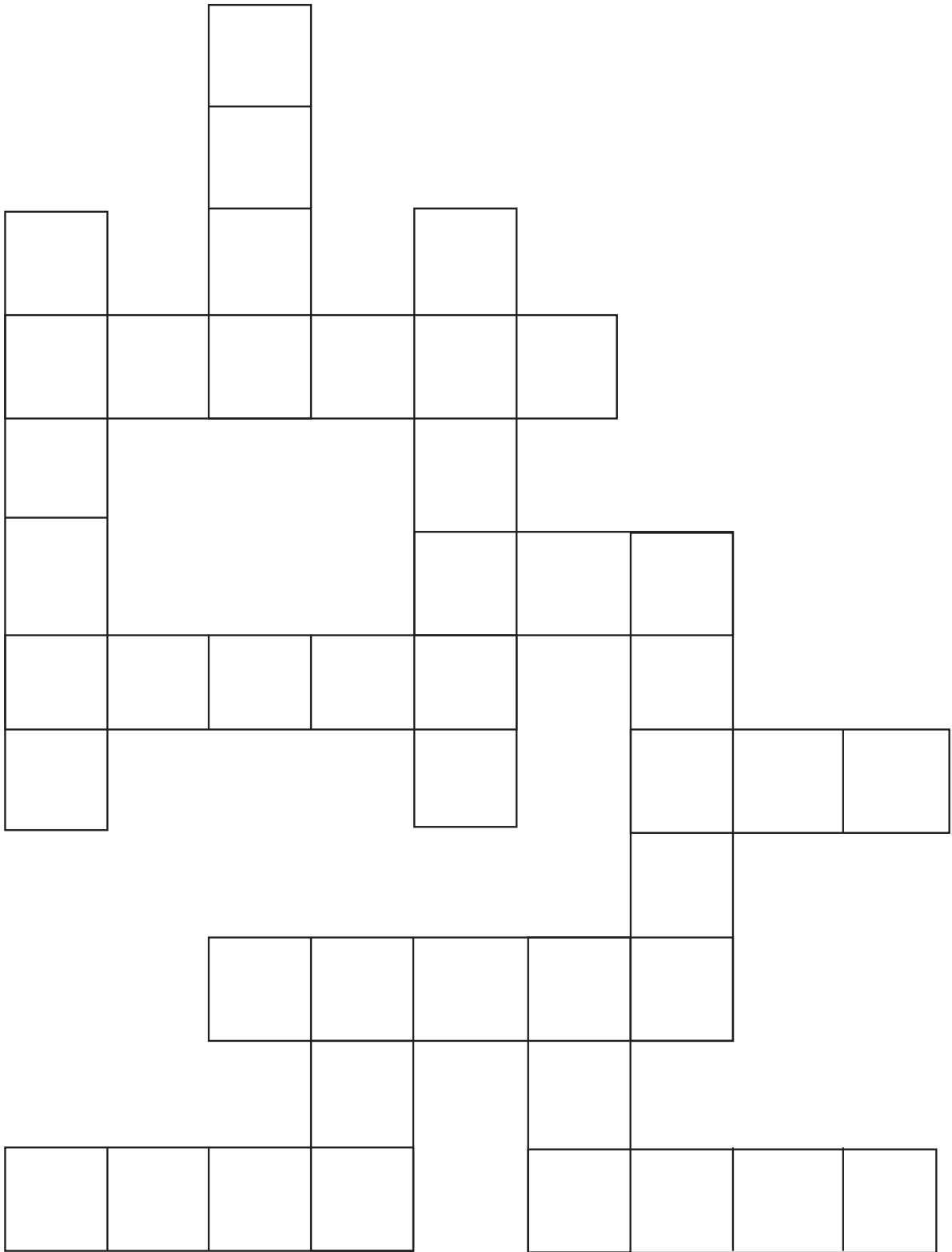


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# With Us Here?

Fill in the squares with places that God is with you. That's right, everywhere!  
See if you can find words to fit the squares.



# Reading between the Lions

Decode this Morse Code message to discover what happened when Daniel spent the night in a den of lions.

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