# Daniel

(Daniel 6 : 1 – 28)
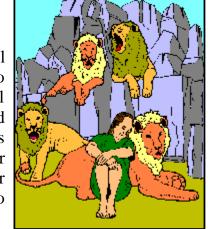
<u>**Verse to memorize :**</u> (Matthew 5:16)

*" Let your light be shining before men, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."*

<u>**The Story of Daniel :**</u>

King Darius appointed 120 governors to be in control of his empire. He also appointed Daniel and two others to supervise the governors and look after his interests. Daniel loved god and always prayed to Him. As he was honest and reliable and worked much better than the others, the king was planning to make him in charge of everything. The other leaders were jealous from him and wanted to cause trouble for him. They could not find anything wrong with his work, so they plotted an evil plan.

They went to King Darius and asked him to sign a new law. In this law, everyone had to pray only to the king, for thirty days. Anyone found praying to any other god would be thrown into the lion's den. Daniel knew about the law, however, he loved God so much that he continued to pray to Him three times a day, with his windows open. When his enemies saw him praying, they went straight to the King and told him they had seen Daniel praying to his God. As the king liked Daniel, he was upset and tried to find a way to rescue him, but finally had to order that Daniel be arrested and he was thrown in the lion's den. The King was very sad and could not sleep at night.

Very early the next morning, the king hurried to the den, and called Daniel out anxiously. Daniel answered that God has sent his angel to save him. The king was overjoyed and ordered Daniel to be pulled out of the den. He then ordered all the men who had accused Daniel to be thrown in the den.

King Darius wrote letters to all the nations in the world and told them of the wonderful things Daniel's God had done. He ordered that everyone should glorify and respect Daniel's God.

## Notes on the story of Daniel:

- Daniel served the king faithfully, he also served God faithfully.
- When there was a contradiction between the orders of the king and the orders of God, Daniel obeyed God.
- Daniel believed in God, so God saved him

## What do we learn from this story?

- The children of God should always be honest and reliable.
- The love and obedience to God should take priority in our life.
- We have to believe that God loves us and to let him take control of our life.