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|  |  | **Small Group Discussion** |
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|  |  | **YouVersion Bible Plan** |
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|  |  | Make sure students check out the Bible Plan associated with this week:***What Courage Looks Like***  |
| **small Group Leader Guide** |  |
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| **Week 3: *Heated Up*****Outside the Zone** |  |
|  | **Icebreaker Question** |
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| **Big Question** |  | What is the spiciest thing you’ve ever eaten? How did you feel afterward?  |
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| When will you stand up for what’s right?  |  |
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|  | **Choose questions for your small group.** |
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| **The Verse** |  | 1. What’s something you learned from today’s message?
2. We learned about Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego—who had extraordinary courage. How do you think they stayed true to what they believed in—even when they thought they might die?
3. If you were in their shoes, at what point would you give up your beliefs? *(When they kidnap you? Change your name? Offer you food? Threaten you?)*
4. If your beliefs were challenged, would you stick up for them even if you had no idea whether you’d be okay?
5. Read **Daniel 3:16-18 NIV.** Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were teenagers, but they were incredibly bold. What habits do you think they had developed before they were captured so that they could show this kind of courage away from home?
6. How can you stand up for what you believe and still be respectful? Are there times when you don’t have to be respectful to stand up for what you believe?
7. What does it take for you to stand up for what’s right?
8. What habits can you develop today to build your courage for tomorrow?
9. Take prayer requests and pray together.
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| **Daniel 3:16-18 NIV***Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty’s hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”* |  |
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| **Order of Experience** |  |
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| Countdown/Hang OutIcebreaker in Small GroupsEmcee WelcomeWorshipEmcee Transition to MessageMessage/SalvationOfferingAnnouncementsActivity/Small GroupSmall Group DiscussionCheck Out |  |
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|  | **Leader Notes/Announcements** |
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|  | \*Promote **Swerve** to your 6th grade students.\*Invite your 6th grade students to **Switch** on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm. \*Tell your students about the **YouVersion Bible Plan**, and encourage them to complete it together as a group or with their families using Plans with Friends.  |
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