## On Fire for God

What is an object that is very important to you?

Read Daniel 3:1-30.

- 1. Why did King Nebuchadnezzar build a statue of himself?
  - A. He just wanted to look at himself.
  - B. He didn't believe our God was the only true god.
  - C. He wanted to be the god of Babylon.
  - D. He wanted to test Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (SM&A).
  - E. He wanted to have a party.
  - F. He wanted to prove that Daniel's interpretation of the statue dream was wrong.
  - G. He didn't know about God.
  - H. Other
- 2. Why didn't SM&A worship the statue?
  - A. They didn't like/respect the king.
  - B. They were just stubborn.
  - C. They wanted to be an example to the other Jewish captives present.
  - D. They wanted to bring attention to themselves.
  - E. They knew it was wrong to worship anyone or anything other than God.
  - F. They didn't believe the king would actually throw them into the fiery furnace.
  - G. They wanted to show how powerful their God was.
  - H. Other
- 3. Why did King Nebuchadnezzar increase the fire and throw SM&A into the furnace?
  - A. He wanted to make sure Daniel's friends couldn't escape.
  - B. He thought it was a sign of disrespect.
  - C. He thought it was the only way he could beat their God.
  - D. He was very angry with the three.
  - E. He wanted to show he had no tolerance for people who disobeyed him.
  - F. He wanted to show his power and control.
  - G. He just got tired of them.
  - H. Other

- 4. Who saved SM&A?
  - A. They saved themselves.
  - B. The king because he felt bad.
  - C. One of the Babylonian gods.
  - D. Jesus/God.
  - E. The soldiers that threw them in.
  - F. Daniel.
  - G. God's angels.
  - H. Other
- 5. In what ways can people be like King Nebuchadnezzar? (select all that apply)
  - A. We think that we can outsmart God
  - B. We make giant statues of ourselves.
  - C. We think we know better than God.
  - D. We throw people into furnaces.
  - E. We ignore the messages and people God sends to us.
  - F. We think that we're stronger than God when we are in a position of power or authority.
  - G. Other
- 6. In what ways can we be like SM&A? (select all that apply)
  - A. Always disobey authority no matter what.
  - B. Always trust God to do what is best.
  - C. Always stand up for what you believe.
  - D. Don't go to parties or listen to music.
  - E. Try to get attention by standing out.
  - F. Live your life according to God's word.
  - G. Other
- 7. In what ways have you been tested in your relationship with God? Is it easier to stand up for God when most people are or most people aren't?
- 8. In what ways do your friends help or hinder your relationship with God?