

CHILDREN'S WORK SHEET

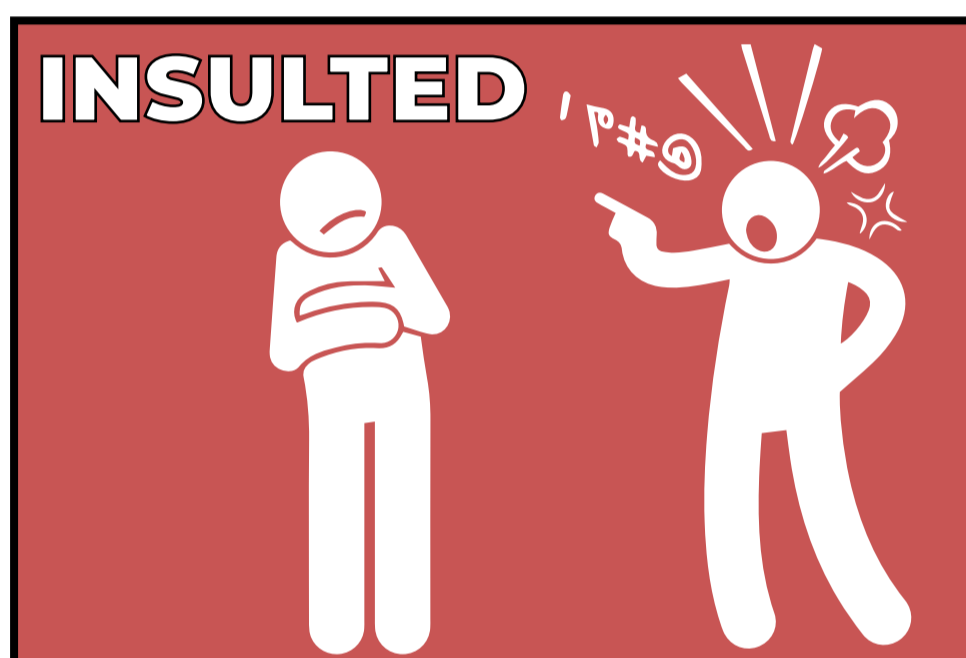
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INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY PERSECUTION?



Christian persecution is to be mistreated because of your faith in Jesus.

HOW WILL WE BE MISTREATED?



WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THE BIBLE ABOUT PERSECUTION?

1 EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IN
JESUS CAN BE PERSECUTED.

2 EVEN JESUS, HIS DISCIPLES AND
MANY OF HIS FOLLOWERS WERE
PERSECUTED BECAUSE OF THEIR
BELIEF IN GOD.

3 GOD GIVES US STRENGTH TO GO
THROUGH PERSECUTION.

4 THERE IS A REWARD IN HEAVEN
FOR THOSE WHO ARE FAITHFUL
TILL THE END.

SEE THE BELOW PASSAGE AND FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE HELP OF DANIEL CHAPTER 3 (NIV)

King _____, erected a gold image that was _____ feet tall. He set it up in plain of _____ in the province of _____. He summoned all the officials to come to the dedication of the image. The herald proclaimed, when all of you hear the sound of the _____ instruments, fall down and _____ the image king Nebuchadnezzar had built. If anyone did not worship, they were to be thrown into the blazing _____. Therefore, as everyone heard the sound of music, they all worshiped the gold image. But _____, _____ and _____ did not worship the image and were reported to the king.

Furious with rage the king shouted at the three and asked them to worship the gold image as they heard the music, because there was no _____ who could save them from his hands. To this the three replied, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we _____ is able to save us from it, and he will _____ us from it, O King. But even if He does not, we want you to know O king, that we will not serve your _____ or _____ the image of gold you have set up"

The king was furious and ordered some of the strongest men in the army to bind the three men and _____ them to the blazing furnace which was now heated _____ times than before. The king's _____ was so urgent and the furnace was so hot that the flames _____ the soldiers who took the three men up and the three jews were thrown into the burning furnace. But then something strange happened. The king leaped from his seat and said "Didn't we throw three men into the furnace, but I see _____men walking around in the fire, _____ and _____, and the fourth looks like a _____ of God.

The king commanded the three men to come _____of the furnace and they came out. All the officials crowded around them. They saw that the fire had not _____their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads _____, their robes were not _____, and there was no _____of fire on them. The king recognized that the God, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego served was the true God and he praised the name of God.

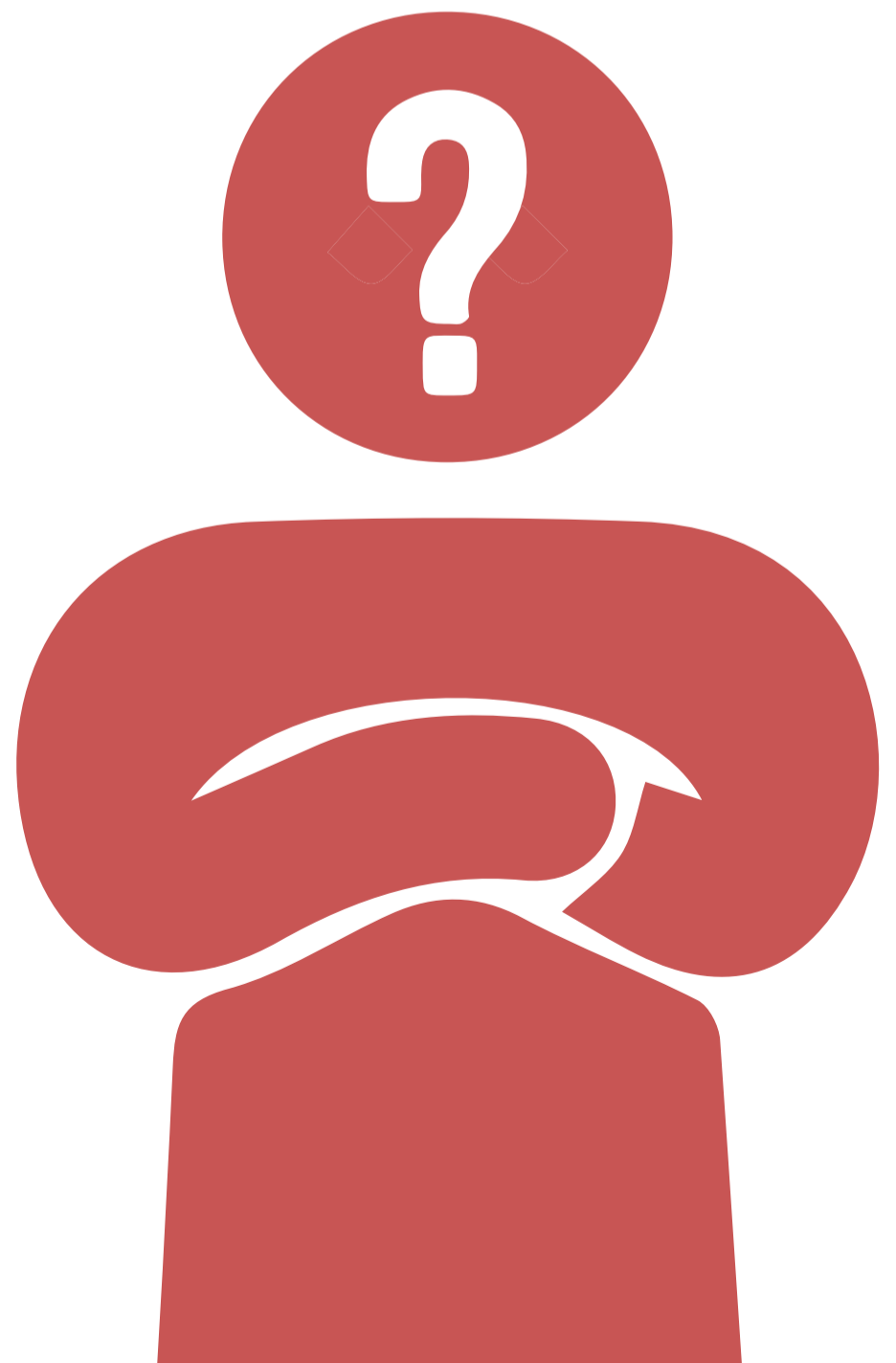


WHO AM I?

Read the narrative and use the bible verse for help to correctly name the person described.

I was a strong Jew and opposed the preaching of Christ. But I was converted when I heard a voice from heaven. I preached the gospel and planted many churches in two continents. I was stoned while preaching the gospel at Lystra. They thought I was dead and dragged me outside the city. But later I got up and went to another city.

Acts 19:19,20



WHO AM I?

The king was deceived by those who hate me to pass a decree that no one could pray or ask anything from anyone for 30 days except from King Darius. But I prayed three times a day to God as usual while my window was opened towards Jerusalem. I was spotted and reported to the king. The king loved me but had no choice but to cast me in to a den of hungry lions. But the Lord shut the mouths of the lions and I was unharmed until the king called upon me early the next day. The king was elated to find out that the God I was so faithful to, had protected me from the Lions.

Daniel 6:21,22



WHO AM I?

I was selected as one of the 7 deacons. I was full of the holy spirit and God did mighty miracle and wonders through me. But opposition arose but I answered them by the wisdom and the power of the Holy Spirit. But they stirred up the people and brought me before the court. As I was questioned, I spoke in the power of the Spirit and told them that they had killed the promised Messiah. They were furious with anger, dragged me out of the city and stoned me to death. But as I was stoned, I said “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. Lord, do not hold this against them”.

Acts 7:57-59



WHO AM I?

King Herod started to persecute the church. He killed James and put me in prison. I was chained between two soldiers and to be brought to trial the next day. While I was a sleep an angel came to the cell and asked me to dress up and put my sandals. I was asked to follow him. As we came to the gates, they opened miraculously. As we came out the angel disappeared. Then I understood that the Lord had saved me from the clutches of Herod.

Acts 12:10,11



WHO AM I?

I was the son of the High priest Zachariah and Elizabeth. I was the one who prepared the way for the messiah. I told king Herod that it was not lawful to take his brother's wife. He wanted to kill me but was afraid of the people to do so. But one day, the daughter of Herodias danced before the guests and pleased Herod. He told her to ask anything and it would be given to her. She consulted her mother who asked for my head on a platter. Herod could not refuse because of his promise and his guests. So, I was beheaded and handed over on a platter to her.

Mathew 14:9-12



MEMORY VERSE

1 PETER 4:12,13

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