

Story 87: Saved from a Very Hot Fire

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Read this story in the Bible in Daniel 3: 19-30.

Words to Know

furnace – an enclosed structure in which fire is produced.

tie up – to use a rope to restrain someone or something.

threw – past tense of “throw”: to cast forward with the hand and arm

respect – to show high regard or honor to someone

Questions

1. With whom was the King of Babylon angry? Why?
2. Why wouldn't Daniel's three friends worship the gold statue?
3. How did the King punish Daniel's three friends?
4. What surprised the King when he was watching the fiery furnace?
5. Who do you think was the fourth person in the fire?
6. Did the fire burn Daniel's three friends? Were their clothes burned?
7. What did the King and his government officials realize?
8. How did the King feel about The One True God after this event?

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