

Lesson 25

Promise: The Lord Will Keep You from Harm

<Main Theme>

Promise like the Lord will keep you from harm are sometimes hard to understand in the context of real life. Christians won't suffer hurt or sickness or persecution?

Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego stood firm in face of the threats to bodily harm, because their confidence in God was strong. Their faith was solid, and they responded with bold confidence in the power and goodness of God. We, too, can have that same confidence in the face of harm and boldly assert.

<Main Idea>

- God will keep His children from ultimate harm to their souls; He will guard the faith of His children.
- God gives us the shield of faith to protect us against the flaming darts of Satan.

<Main Verses>

- 2 Timothy 4:18, Daniel 3:14-15, James 1:12, Daniel 3:17, Ephesians 6:16

<Memory Verse>

"The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen" (2 Timothy 4:18)

<Key thought>

God has promised to keep His children from harm, and gives them the shield of faith to protect them from the fiery darts of Satan.

<The Keywords that need to share>

1) Harm and Real Safety

- : What could have happened to Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace?
What do you think God is most concerned about – our physical safety or our spiritual safety? Why?

2) Standing Firm

: Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego did not compromise – pretend to worship the idol, but not really; they didn't lie, but they stood firm. They were not just saying words, but they truly believed not only that God is powerful – "able to deliver" – but also that God is good – "will deliver." They understood that God is more powerful than the king, and that the king had no authority over God's children.

3) Flaming Darts

- : What are "Flaming darts"? That would be worry, fear, problems, temptation to anger, etc. Does Satan ever throw flaming darts at you?

* Please read the Main idea first and read the main theme and the main verses. Then, share the keywords that need to share. Then, read and try to understand this week's Memory Verse.