



Benjas (0-5 years)

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Lesson: THE FOOD
Reference: Daniel 1:1-21

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(NIV)



Judges (6-7 years)

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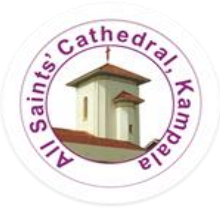
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Judeans (8-9 years)

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However, when it came to food, they took a stand. Daniel and his friends refused to eat the king's food because it would defile them. They needed to take a stand to show that they worshipped the one true God and were different.

Daniel did something in a pagan world to show that he worshipped the one true God and that he was different from the worshippers of other gods in the pagan nation.

Today our relationship with the one true God is through Jesus. God has appointed Jesus to be our king. Christians need to live differently to show that Jesus is their King.

Living with Jesus as our king will mean that we sometimes need to live very differently from those

who do not want Jesus to be their king. For example, if everyone is cheating or lying and you choose not to.

Think: What are some behaviors that might be okay for everyone else but not right for a follower of Jesus?



Who allowed Nebuchadnezzar to conquer Judah? (1:2) _____

What were the Israelites forced to do? (1:4, 5, 7) Tick the three that Daniel and his friends were happy to do and use a cross to mark the one that he refused to do.

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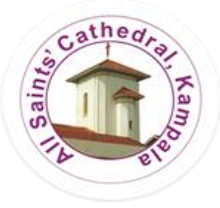
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Bible reading for the week: Daniel chapter 1 and 2



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How can you be different as a follower of Jesus?

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