

Daily Jump Start

This Life Disrupted series is designed to help all of us more fully understand how **God uses the disruptions of today to direct His plans for tomorrow.** For many of us, we may consider this present time in our lives to be one of the most disrupted seasons we have ever experienced. However, we should be comforted in the fact that disruptions are nothing new or out of the ordinary. In fact, when reading scripture, you can't help but see how major life disruptions repeatedly appear and are used by God in great ways. This week we will focus on the life of Daniel from the Old Testament.

DAY 1	DAY 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Key Verse: “Daniel resolved that he would not defile himself with the king’s food, or with the wine that he drank. Therefore he asked the chief of the eunuchs to allow him not to defile himself. Daniel 1:8 ▫ Key question: Share a time when you were pushed to do something that you knew would not honor God. What happened? ▫ Pray: Admit to God that we all can be pushed in directions that are not honorable to Him. Thank God for examples like Daniel and others in our life who are faithful despite the pressures of life. Ask God for strength to be faithful like Daniel. <p>Challenge: Read Daniel chapter 1 and identify all of the life disruptions Daniel experienced.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Key Verses: “Then Daniel went to his house and made the matter known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions, and told them to seek mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery, so that Daniel and his companions might not be destroyed with the rest of the wise men in Babylon. Daniel 2:17-18 ▫ Key question: When disruptions occur in your life, who do you go to for Godly counsel? ▫ Pray: Thank God for friends that can be there for us in the hard times. Pray for more friends that walk closely with Jesus to come alongside you. <p>Challenge: Read Daniel chapter 2 and connect the disruptions Daniel faced in chapter 1 with the incredible ways God uses him in chapter 2.</p>
DAY 3	DAY 4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Key Verse: “He answered and said, “But I see four men unbound, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the appearance of the fourth is like a son of the gods.” Daniel 3:25 ▫ Key thought and question: Daniel’s 3 friends were cast in a fiery furnace but survived. It is commonly thought that the 4th figure was Jesus. When have you walked through a difficult life moment and experienced someone/something helping you through it? ▫ Pray: Thank God for giving all believers the Holy Spirit that never leaves us. Pray for open eyes to look for Jesus in the midst of all life circumstances. <p>Extra reading if time permits: Read Daniel Chapter 3.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Key Verses: King Nebuchadnezzar to all peoples, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth: Peace be multiplied to you! It has seemed good to me to show the signs and wonders that the Most High God has done for me. Daniel 4:1-2 ▫ Key thought and question: God worked in amazing ways to show the king who He was. What is the greatest way God has worked in your life to teach you more about who He is? ▫ Pray: Thank God for working in and through other people to point us to learn more about Him. Pray that God uses us to strengthen others faith as well. <p>Extra activity if time permits: Read Daniel chapters 4, 5, and 6 to prepare for Sunday’s message.</p>

Looking for a virtual church experience on Sunday? Go to www.firstlight.church/watch-live, this Sunday’s message is about Daniel and the Lion’s Den (Daniel Ch. 6) Additional resources are available at www.firstlight.church/covid-19. If you have any questions or need prayer, email us at hello@firstlight.church.