

# THE STORY - # 18 ~ FAITHFUL LIVING IN A FOREIGN LAND

1. How is Daniel like the former prophets?
2. How is Daniel different from the former prophets?
3. At this point in 'The Story', how is it that God's people are depressed and losing faith?
4. From the following passages, what did Daniel think of governmental agencies:
  - a. Romans 13. 1-7 -
  - b. 1 Timothy 2. 1-2 -
  - c. Titus 3. 1 -

5. What does the following quote by Dietrich Bonhoeffer mean to you:

*"Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ...Costly grace is the kingly rule of Christ...it is the call of Jesus Christ at which the disciple leaves his nets and follows him...Above all, grace is costly because it cost God the life of his Son."*

6. Shadrach, Meshach & Abednego trusted God but had no assurance that He would save them - how can we trust God and stand up for our Christian beliefs when we know that the results could be disastrous?
7. How did the Daniel, Hananiah, Michael & Azariah demonstrate the following:
  - a. A resistance to bitterness when life is unfair -
  - b. Remaining respectful to others even when mistreated -
  - c. Keeping hope in the promises of God -
8. What is the Lower Story of this week's lesson?
9. What is the Upper Story message this week?
10. Be prepared to discuss and share the questions on Chapter 18 located on page 481.