

## **Daniel Prays for his People**

**Theme:** We should pray for others

### **Games:**

**Please Mr Crocodile:** One person is chosen to be Mr (or Mrs) Crocodile they stand facing one wall. The other children stand about ten paces from this person and take it in turns to ask "Please Mr Crocodile, may we cross your river". Mr Crocodile replies with a conditional statement like "Only if you're wearing something blue" and any children with something blue may take a step forward.

**Sharks:** This game is played with 4 or 5 small islands (hula hoops can be perfect for this). Choose 1 or more children (depending on how many children you have) to act as "Sharks" these must try to catch the other children, who may claim safety by standing on an island. If there is a child on an island when another wants to use it the first child must move.

### **Memory Verse:**

Daniel 9 verse 4 "*I prayed to the Lord my God and confessed the sins of my people.*" Have the memory in 7 pieces and stick it, back to front, to a wall. Use the definitions quiz in the resources and get children to answer the question. The child who gets each question right first gets to turn a piece of the verse around.

### **Introduction:**

Ask the Children to imagine that their best friend has a problem and that they know someone who can help. Ask them if they would ask the person to help their friend. You could extend this to if they would say sorry to someone who had been hurt by a friend of theirs.

### **Story:**

Daniel 9: 2 – 19. This is a first person account from Daniels perspective in the Bible; tell it like this to your group. The words defined in the Memory verse all appear in the Good News version of this story.

### **Application:**

When Daniel was praying, he prayed for other people he knew, he even prayed for people he didn't. God loves us to pray for our friends and our family, but he also loves us to pray for everyone else that we don't know or like to. Think off a person or group of people you could pray for.

### **Prayer:**

Dear Father God, Thank you that you want to hear our prayers. Please look after all our friends, everyone in this school and the other people who live in this area.  
Amen

### **Song:**

"Whoopah wahey!" Track 5 on *Whoopah wahey* from Doug Horley

## Memory Verse Quiz

Ask the children to guess the meaning of the following words from the three definitions (the correct answers are in bold type)

Ancestor

1. A device attached to a boat and dropped into water to stop the boat.
2. A person who is good at analysing something.
3. **A person from whom another person is directly descended.**

Confess

1. Small pieces of coloured paper.
2. To ignore the action of another.
3. **To admit something has been done wrong.**

Disagree

1. To show someone where to go.
2. **To hold a different opinion.**
3. To take apart.

Merciful

1. **Likely to feel love for those who have wronged you.**
2. Less likely to care about anything.
3. Topped up from the sea of Mer.

Prophet

1. A person who argues for something.
2. **Someone God uses to speak to other people.**
3. How much money you make.

Rebelled

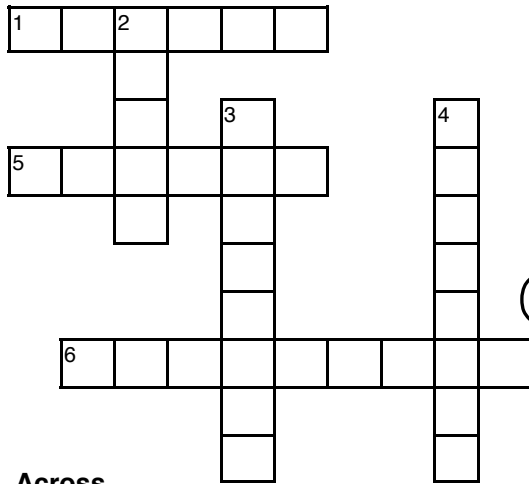
1. To have remembered something.
2. To have wrung the bell again.
3. **To have ignored a rule or code.**

Sacred

1. **For God alone.**
2. A rough cloth for use in sacks.
3. A tropical plant.

# Daniel Prays for his People

Week 6



"I prayed to the Lord my God and confessed the sins of my people."

## Daniel 9 verse 4

### Across

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ the Mede, Son of Xerxes
- 5 He prayed for his People
- 6 I Prayed to the Lord my God and \_\_\_\_\_ the sins of my people

### Down

- 2 What Jerusalem would be in for 70 years
- 3 You are \_\_\_\_\_ and forgiving
- 4 The servants of God, who spoke in his name

All the answers can be found in Daniel chapter 9, verses 1 to 10.



Fill in the names of 5 groups of people you could pray for, we have started you off with the first one.

1. All the people at Kingsquad
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_