

# FIRE

<p>Brainstorm everything you know about fire. What is it? What are the practical uses and effects?</p> <p>How is fire ignited, fueled, and extinguished?</p>	<p>Can you think of any fictional books or movies that include scenes or a storyline with fire?</p> <p>What thoughts and feelings does fire stir up inside of you? Campfires? Wildfires?</p>
<p>Explore this Hebrew word &amp; picture:</p> <p>esh (H784)</p> <p>עֵשׂ    אֵשׁ</p>	<p>List all the Bible stories you can recall that include fire. Read a selection of verses and ponder God's use of this theme.</p>
<p>Read Daniel 3</p> <p>What do you notice about the story?</p> <p>Read Isaiah 43:1-2</p> <p>How does this verse encourage you?</p>	<p>Genesis 15:1-6, 17-20          Exodus 3:2-6, 13:20-22, 24:15-18          Matthew 3:11-12          Acts 2:1-4          1 Corinthians 3:10-17          Hebrews 12:28-29          James 3:5-6          Revelation 20:7-15</p>
<p>Take some time to reflect on all you've learned.</p> <p>How does fire give glory to Jesus &amp; illustrate God's living story?</p> <p>Have you made any new discoveries?</p>	

## ENGAGE IN WONDER

How does fire illustrate God's living story? Reflect on all you're learned.

Here are some additional questions to ignite your curiosity and imagination:

- Why do you think God created fire as a chemical reaction that we can see? Jesus is the light of the world. How does fire connect?
- How can fire be beneficial? How can fire be harmful?
- In what ways is God like a consuming fire or a refiner's fire?
- Why do you think God's presence is often represented as fire in the Bible?
- In God's story, the physical often illustrates a spiritual parallel. How do you think physical fire illustrates spiritual fire?
- In addition to a baptism of water and Holy Spirit, God mentions a "baptism of fire" (Mat 3:11). There is disagreement in the church on what that might mean. What do you think it might be? Have you ever experienced something that might illustrate that baptism?
- Some believe the 3 areas of the temple represent the different baptisms (water, Spirit, fire). Can you make those connections?
- What is our proper response toward a loving & saving God who is referred to as a consuming fire?