

### **LESSON 4 // DEVELOP YOUR WIND POWER**

**Big Idea:** Your spirit can either limit your life or lift your life. It's the wind that works for you or against you, like the wind that powers a sailing ship. The key is to learn to harness the power of a right spirit. You do this by being filled with God's Spirit, determined to grow and refusing to be ordinary.

**Daniel 6:1-3 (NIV)** It pleased Darius to appoint 120 satraps to rule throughout the kingdom, with three administrators over them, one of whom was Daniel. The satraps were made accountable to them so that the king might not suffer loss. Now Daniel so distinguished himself among the administrators and the satraps by his exceptional qualities that the king planned to set him over the whole kingdom.

# **Start Talking:**

Describe a time you were in a hurricane or a situation with extreme winds (including maybe an experience on a boat or plane). What did you learn about the power of the wind through this experience?

## **Start Thinking:**

**Read Acts 1:8, Galatians 5:22, 23 and Ephesians 5:18.** What do you these verses tell you about the importance of being filled with the Holy Spirit in your walk with the Lord?

Read Daniel 5:11 and 2 Peter 1:5-8. What are some ways these verses challenge you to grow?

**Read Daniel 5:12 and 6:13**. How was Daniel extraordinary and distinguished among his peers? How did this pave the way for God to use him?

**Read Matthew 5:41 and Colossians 3:23.** How do these speak to you about refusing ordinary and choosing extraordinary for God's purposes in your life?

#### Start Praying:

Pray for God to stir your spirit with a determination to be extraordinary for Him, distinguished for your dedication to follow and serve Him.

## **Start Doing:**

Look for opportunities this week to be a "second mile" believer (Matthew 5:41). Determine to be different by your attitude and actions that reflect an unashamed commitment to the Lord and a heart to serve and bless others in His name.