

## **Black History School**

### God's Glory...Our Story

Taken Treasure Series • Based Selected Stories from the Book of Daniel

#### **BHS Overview**

Black History School (BHS) relates powerful stories from the past to our present. By studying similarities between the Book of Daniel and Black History, we will discover how we can change our world today.

Series Theme:	Lesson Objective:
Taken Treasure (Selected Stories from Daniel)	To be reminded that we are divine originals, created in the image of God, and because of this we must dare to be different.
Lesson Theme:	Key Verses:
Better Than the King's Best	Daniel 1:8-21

#### **Lesson 1 Review**

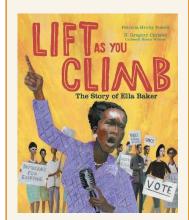
No matter which president is in office, God is in control, (Daniel 1:21). Our story did not begin with slavery as Africa is home to the earliest civilizations.

#### Lesson 2 Daniel 1:8-21

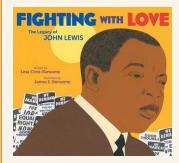
8 But Daniel resolved not to defile himself with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission not to defile himself this way. 9 Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel, <sup>10</sup> but the official told Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has assigned your food and drink. Why should he see you looking worse than the other young men your age? The king would then have my head because of you."

- <sup>11</sup> Daniel then said to the guard whom the chief official had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, <sup>12</sup> "Please test your servants for ten days: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. <sup>13</sup> Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." <sup>14</sup> So he agreed to this and tested them for ten days.
- <sup>15</sup> At the end of the ten days they looked healthier and better nourished than any of the young men who ate the royal food. <sup>16</sup> So the guard took away their choice food and the wine they were to drink and gave them vegetables instead. <sup>17</sup> To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds.
- <sup>18</sup> At the end of the time set by the king to bring them into his service, the chief official presented them to Nebuchadnezzar. <sup>19</sup> The king talked with them, and he found none equal to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah; so they entered the king's service. <sup>20</sup> In every matter of wisdom and understanding about which the king questioned them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom. <sup>21</sup> And Daniel remained there until the first year of King Cyrus.

# Black History Parallels – Dream Action Takers:



The Story of Ella Baker



The Story of John Lewis