
Unit 2 Overview of Key Concepts

UNIT 2: God's Wonderful Word, the Bible

Unit Big Question (and Answer): "What's So Special about the Bible? It Alone is God's Word!"

Meaning:

There are millions of books in the world, but none is like the Bible. It alone is God's perfect Word! God made sure it was written down just right. It tells us everything we need to know God and how to live for Him. It is powerful to do everything God wants it to do. Everything else in this world may come and go, but God's Word will last forever. It will always prove true.

Unit 2 Bible Verse: Psalm 18:30,46 NIV 1984

"As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!"

Meaning:

The LORD is like no one else. He is the one, true God. Everything He does is absolutely perfect! And, everything He says is perfect, too. It is flawless. Flawless is a big word that means perfect...without even a single mistake. No, not one! God always tells us what is right and true. His Word always proves true!

Where can we read God's Word? In the Bible! It alone is God's Word. That's why we take time each day to learn from the Bible. We want to hear from God--all the wonderful things about Him; what He has done for us through Jesus, His Son; and, what good things are in store for those who love Him and live for Him. Oh, how we want to praise the LORD when we read His Word! He is the living God. He is our Savior!

Unit 2 ACTS Prayer

- A** We praise you, God. You are perfect and everything You tell us in Your Word, the Bible, always proves true.
- C** God, we know You are perfect and everything You say is true, but too many times we still don't trust You or obey Your Word. Please forgive us! We need Jesus to be our Savior!
- T** Thank You for giving us Your words, written down perfectly in the Bible. Thank You that we can always know what is right and true when we read Your Word, the Bible. And thank You for all the wonderful things You tell us about in the Bible, especially the stories about Jesus.
- S** Work deep inside our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to want to read Your Word and help us to know You better as we do. Help us to go and tell others how they can learn about You in Your wonderful Word, the Bible. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Unit 2 Story

The Case of the Women's Best Gift

1 Timothy

Songs Used in Unit 2 *listen to or download songs for free at <https://praisefactory.org>: Hide n Seek Kids Music page*

Big Q & A 2 Song

Big Question 2 Song: What's So Special About God's Word?

Unit 2 Bible Verse Song: As For God, His Way Is Perfect: Psalm 18:30, 46 NIV 1984

Unit 2 Hymn: How Precious Is the Book Divine, v.1

Unit 2 Praise Song: The Best Book to Read Is the Bible

Hide 'n' Seek Kids NIV Songs 2 Track Numbers

This is a listing of all songs mentioned in the unit curriculum. You may or may not choose to use all of the songs. They are listed in easy-reference order--NOT in the order used in the curriculum.

You may choose to simply burn a CD/load them onto an mp3 device in this order. Or, you may want to do what we do: choose the songs we want to use and create a play list of them in that order. Then, we burn a CD/upload the play list onto an mp3 device. A teacher only has to click forward to the next song, instead of hunting for the right track. The track number have been included as part of the title of each song, so teachers will still have a reference to the track number listed in the curriculum (same as those listed below), even if you change the order on your customized play list.

SONGS USED EVERY UNIT OF THE CURRICULUM

- 1 The Classroom Song v.1
- 2 The Classroom Song v.2
- 3 The Classroom Song v.3
- 4 The Classroom Song v.4
- 5 Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song
- 6 The Classroom Rules Song
- 7 Let's Pray Song
- 8 The Big Question Box Song
- 9 The Bible Chant Song
- 10 ACTS Prayer Song (Short Version)
- 11 ACTS Prayer Song (Full Version)

Why the Extra Songs?

Hide 'n' Seek Kids is a curriculum used by children of different ages. Sometimes one of the other songs is a better fit for your kids. Or, you may simply want to teach them more songs on the same Bible Truth. Use as many or as few as you want.

UNIT 2: GOD'S WONDERFUL WORD, THE BIBLE

- 12 Big Q & A 2 Song
- 13 Big Question 2 Song: What's So Special About God's Word?
- 14 Unit 2 Bible Verse Song: As For God, His Way Is Perfect: Psalm 18:30, NIV 1984
- 15 Unit 2 Hymn: How Precious Is the Book Divine, v.1
- 16 Unit 2 Praise Song: The Best Book to Read Is the Bible

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The Case of the Women’s Best Gift

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Story-telling Tips

Ahead of time:

1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare Story Scenes, if using. (Included in the Visual Aids books)
3. Practice telling story with the Story Scenes, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary.

During your presentation:

1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
2. Put up Story Scenes/add story action cues as you tell the story. Allow the children to help you put them on the board, if desired.
3. Include the children in your story with a few questions about what they think will happen or words/concepts that might be new to them.
4. Watch the kids for signs that their attention span has been reached. Shorten, if necessary.

INTRODUCTION/ LISTENING ASSIGNMENTS

“Our story is called: The Case of the Women’s Best Gift. Here is your listening assignment... ”

Read from Detective Dan’s Listening Assignment signs, but questions are summarized below:

Detective Dan’s Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

I need to find out:

1. Who are the women in our story?
2. What was their best gift and who did they give it to?

Detective Dan’s Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Psalm 18:30,46: “As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!”

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:

1. Who in our story knew that God and His Word were perfect?
2. Who did they teach God’s Word to?

Detective Dan’s Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story.

They are: Food, a zebra, God’s Word (on a scroll, like in Bible times) and some clothes.

Hold up each of the four pictures for the children to see as you identify them. Better yet, put them up on your flannelgraph board, off to one side.

I need to know:

1. Which of these things did Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice NOT give to Timothy?
2. Which of these things did they think was most important of all?

Detective Dan’s Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:

1. Who did Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice want Timothy to know and love most of all?
2. What book did they thank God for giving to them?

Detective Dan’s Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:

1. What happened in Timothy’s heart as he listened to God’s Word, the Bible?
2. What good news from the Bible did Timothy preach about when he grew up?

Read the questions, THEN SAY,

“Ok, Hide ‘n’ Seekers! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can find the answers to Detective Dan’s questions. When I finish telling the story, we’ll see what we come up with.”

“The Case of the Women’s Best Gift” | Timothy

Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics)

Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice loved the Bible. They loved what the Bible told them about God and His Son, Jesus. They loved how it worked in their heart and helped them know God and live for Him! If Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice knew one thing, it was that there was NO BOOK like the Bible! It alone was God’s Word! It was always true. They could count on it.

Do you see a Bible in this room? Point to it.

Now Mother Eunice had a little boy named Timothy. She and Grandma Lois loved Timothy very, very much. And because they loved him, they hugged him...and they fed him good food...and they gave him clothes to wear...and a good place to sleep at night. They taught good manners and how to do his chores and all sorts of things that would help him grow up to be a fine, young man one day.

Do you have a mother or a grandmother? What kinds of things do they do for you because they love you?

But most of all, because Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice loved Timothy so much, they wanted him to know and love God. And oh, how they wanted Timothy to turn away from his sins and trust in Jesus as his Savior one day!

So Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice taught Timothy every day from the only book in the whole, wide world where the truths about God are written down just right. Can you guess what that book is?

Can you guess what that book is called? (I bet you can!) Let’s say its name altogether—The Bible!

The Bible, yes, the Bible was that one, special book. It alone is God’s Word and Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice knew it.

The Bible is a very BIG book filled with so many good stories and so many important truths about God. There was so, so much to teach Timothy!

Hold up your Bible and show the children how big it is. Open it up and show them all the words on the pages.

But of everything in the whole Bible, Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice most wanted Timothy to know one thing.

Can you guess what it is?

They wanted him to know the gospel—the good news of Jesus. They wanted him to know how he could become one of God’s people.

“Long ago, God created the whole world, Timothy,” they told him. “He gave us his good laws to live by, but we all choose to disobey them, Timothy. “We need a Savior to save us from our sins and God sent Him to us! It’s Jesus!” Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice taught Timothy. “We hope one day you will ask Jesus to forgive your sins and trust in Him as your Savior like we have, Timothy,” they told him. “There’s nothing better than knowing God and living for Him.”

Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics)

At first, Timothy just listened and learned as Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice taught him from the Bible. But after a while, something wonderful happened: God's Word began to work powerfully in Timothy's heart and his mind, helping him to believe.

"God, I believe what is written in your word, the Bible. I believe in Your Son, Jesus and trust in Him as my Savior. Please forgive me for disobeying You. I want to live my life for you. Please save me!" Timothy prayed.

God was happy to answer Timothy's prayers. And Timothy was happy to be one of God's people!

Did you know that we can become God's people, too, when we pray like Timothy did, for God to forgive our sins and help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior? It's true!

But that was only the beginning. Now Timothy wanted to listen and learn about the Bible more than ever! He wanted to know more about God and love Him more, too. And, he wanted God's Word to go on working inside his heart, changing him even more.

And that's just what happened! As Timothy kept learning from the Bible, God's Word, it kept on working inside him. And Timothy the little boy grew up and up and up to be Timothy, the man with a heart full of love for God, for God's Word, the Bible, and for God's people.

A grown-up man needs a grown up man's job. And what job do you think God gave Timothy to do?

What job do you think Timothy did?

God called Timothy to be a pastor—a man who teaches God's Word to God's people and loves them as they gather together at church.

Now others gathered around Timothy as he preached to them the same truths from the God's Word that Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice had taught him long ago as a little boy!

How happy Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice must have been! What a great work God had done in Timothy through His Word, the Bible! And now God was even using Timothy to do a great work in the hearts of others, too!

Let's clap and say, "Yay!" for all the good things God did in Timothy through His Word, the Bible!

Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

- 1. Who are the women in our story?** Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice.
- 2. What was their best gift and who did they give it to?** Their best gift was teaching God's Word and the good news of Jesus. They taught it to Timothy, Mother Eunice's son.

For You and Me:

Timothy learned God's truths in the Bible and so are you...right now! God used His Word, the Bible, to work in Timothy's heart and help him trust in Jesus as His Savior. He can use His Word to work inside of us, too.

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

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- 1. Which of these things did Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice NOT give to Timothy?** The zebra.
- 2. Which of these things did they think was most important of all?** God's Word, the Bible.

For You and Me:

Like Timothy, we have people who love us and who give us many good things. But of everything we can ever have, learning God's Word, the Bible is the most important of all. Ask them to help you learn God's Word.

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Psalm 18:30,46:

"As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!"

- 1. Who in our story knew that God and His Word were perfect?** Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice.
- 2. Who did they teach God's Word to?** Timothy.

For You and Me:

God is the living God! He and His Word, the Bible, are still perfect! It will always prove true. We can trust in God and His Word, just like Grandma Lois, Mother Eunice and Timothy did!

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

- 1. Who did Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice want Timothy to know and love most of all?** God.
- 2. What book did they thank God for giving to them?**

The Bible, God's Word.

For You and Me:

God is the person best person we can know and love, too. God can use His Word to do wonderful things in our heart, too. Grandma Lois, Mother Eunice and Timothy knew this. Let's thank God for His Word, the Bible. Let's ask Him to use it to do wonderful things in our hearts, too.

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

- 1. What happened in Timothy's heart as he listened to God's Word, the Bible?** God worked in his heart. He turned away from his sins and trust in Jesus as his Savior. Then God kept working in his heart, changing him in wonderful ways, more and more.
- 2. What good news from the Bible did Timothy preach about when he grew up?** God will forgive us our sins and make us His people when we repent and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

For You and Me:

God can use His perfect Word, the Bible, to help us know Him and to change us in wonderful ways. Jesus can save us from our sins and make us God's people, too, when we repent of our sins and trust in Him as our Savior.

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)

Our Bible Truth is:

What's So Special about the Bible?

It Alone Is God's Word!

God used His Word, the Bible, to work inside Timothy in wonderful ways. He can work in our hearts, too. We can ask Him to work in our heart and help us to turn away from disobeying Him and trust in Jesus as our Savior. When we do, God will forgive our sins and save us! He will live in our heart, helping us to know Him right now. He can satisfy our heart, giving us a special kind of happiness that only He can give. And one day, we will go to live with Him in heaven forever. That will be best of all!

Close in prayer.

Closing Unit 2 ACTS Prayer

A=Adoration C=Confession T=Thanksgiving S=Supplication

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In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.