

Deep Down Detective Devotion: Unit 5, Bible Truth 2, Lesson 1

Big Question 5: Can You Tell Me What God Made?

Answer: God Made All Things Good... God Made People in a Special Way!



Bible Truth 2 Meaning

When God made people, He made them good, just like everything else that He made. But God made them good in a special way—in a way that was DIFFERENT from everything else He created. God gave people a living spirit, a bit like His. It is with this special spirit that all people—even you and I—can enjoy God in a way no other creature can. With our spirit we can look at what God made and see how wonderful He is. With our spirit we can know and love God, and go on knowing and loving Him forever and ever, because this spirit will never die. Everyone who turns away from their sins and trusts in Jesus as their Savior, gets to have special closeness with God in their spirit right now. And one day, they will go to live with Him, loving and knowing Him forever. What an amazing gift God gave us when He made us with a spirit!

How do I know this is true? The Bible tells me so!

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our own image.... So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them." --- Genesis 1:26,27

Some Questions for You

- 1. Were people good when God made them in the beginning? Yes.
- 2. What did God make people with that made them different and special from everything else He made? A spirit a bit like His.
- 3. How long does the spirit live that God puts in people? Forever.
- 4. What does our spirit help us to see about God when we look at all the things He's made? How wonderful He is.
- 5. Who can we know and love with our spirit? God.
- 6. Who is the most wonderful person we can know? God.
- 7. How can we know God? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.

Let's Pray!

- A God, we praise You for being the Good Maker of all things in the beginning.
- **C** God, You made people good in the beginning, but we have all chosen to disobey You. We do not take care of the good things You made for us to enjoy. We do not love others as You want us to. We do not love You as we should. We need a Savior!
- T Thank You, God, for all the wonderful things You made for us to enjoy, like the sun and stars, animals, flowers, snow, oceans, and people. Thank You for what they show us about You. Thank You for making people able to know You and able to see how great You are when we look at all You have made.
- **S** God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to see how wonderful You are when we look at all that You have made. Help us to take good care of the world You've given us. Most of all, help us to know You and live for You, as You created us to. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Let's Sing about What We're Learning!

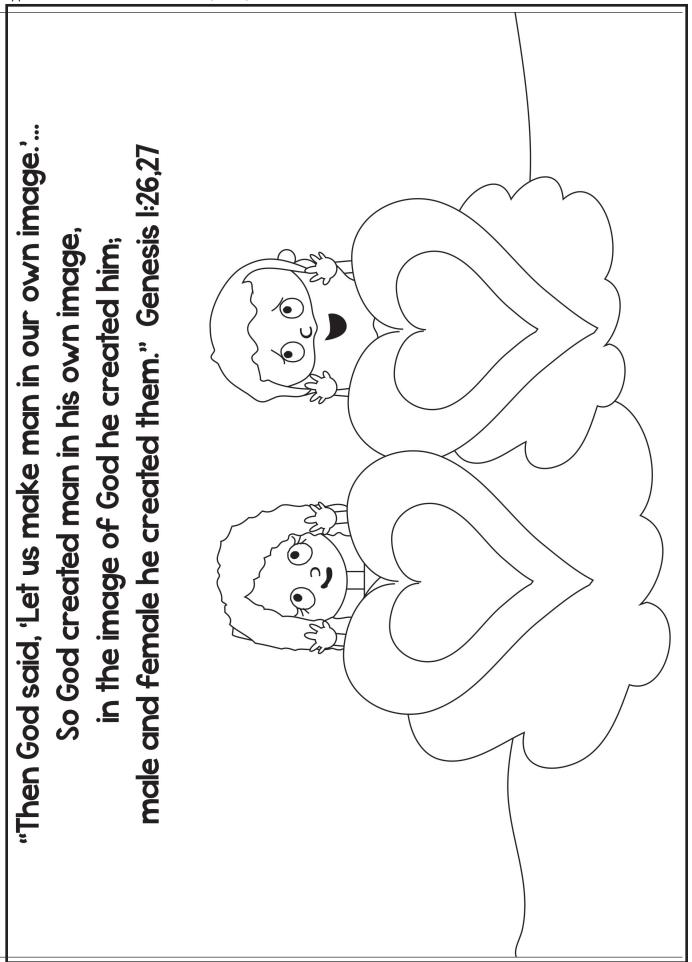
Big Q & A 5 Song from Deep Down Detectives NIV Songs 5, track 12

(adapted version of "London Bridge Is Falling Down) Can you tell me what God made? What God made, what God made? Can you tell me what God made? God made all things good!

Big Question 5 Action Rhyme Song from Deep Down Detectives NIV Songs 5, track 13

| Refrain: | Verse 1 | Verse 2 |
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| Can you tell me what God made? | Manatees, bumblebees, the air we breathe, | Frogs that leap, woolly sheep, |
| Can you tell me what God made? | Orca whales, bunny tails and slimy snails, | the shark's big teeth, |
| Can you tell me what God made? | Furry yaks, yummy snacks, bumpy camel | Tiny gnats, rivers fast, and chloroplasts, |
| God made all things good, | backs, | Mountains high, octopi, |
| God made all things good | God made all things good! | the stars up in the sky, |
| (through Jesus/for His glory)! | Cookatoos, kangaroos, the sky so blue, | God made all things good! |
| God made all things good, | Sparkly gems, cherubim and monkey limbs, | Sandy dunes, sun and moon, doves that coo, |
| God made all things good! | Thunder clouds, peacocks proud, | Flying fish, rhinocerish, the bugs we squish! |
| | the lion, big and loud! | Apple trees, the wavy seas, |
| | God made all things good! Refrain | yes, even you and me! |
| | | God made all things good! Refrain |

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Deep Down Detective Devotion: Unit 5, Bible Truth 2, Lesson 2

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Learn a Little: "I am the LORD, who has made all things."

Meaning:

Man, male and female: those are all words for men and women, boys and girls. The Bible tells us that God made people in the beginning. He made them in His image. That means that they reflect Him in a very special way. Of all the earthly creatures, they alone were created with a spirit, like God's Spirit, that can know and love God. God created people to be able to see God's glory in everything He made. And, He created them to care for the world He created as caretakers under Him.

Some Questions for You

1. How many kinds of people did God make? Two: male and female--man and woman.

2. In whose image did God make man (people)? In His image.

3. What does it mean that people are made in God's image? He made them to reflect Him (show what He's like) in a very special way.

4. What did God give people that makes them such a special reflection of Him? He gave them a spirit.

5. What is the spirit like that God gave to people? It never dies. It can know and love Him. It can see how everything else God created reflects Him.

6. What job did God give people? To be caretakers under Him of all that He created.

Let's Pray!

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- God, You made people good in the beginning, but we have all chosen to disobey You. We do not take care of the good С things You made for us to enjoy. We do not love others as You want us to. We do not love You as we should. We need a Savior!
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Let's Sing Our Bible Verse!

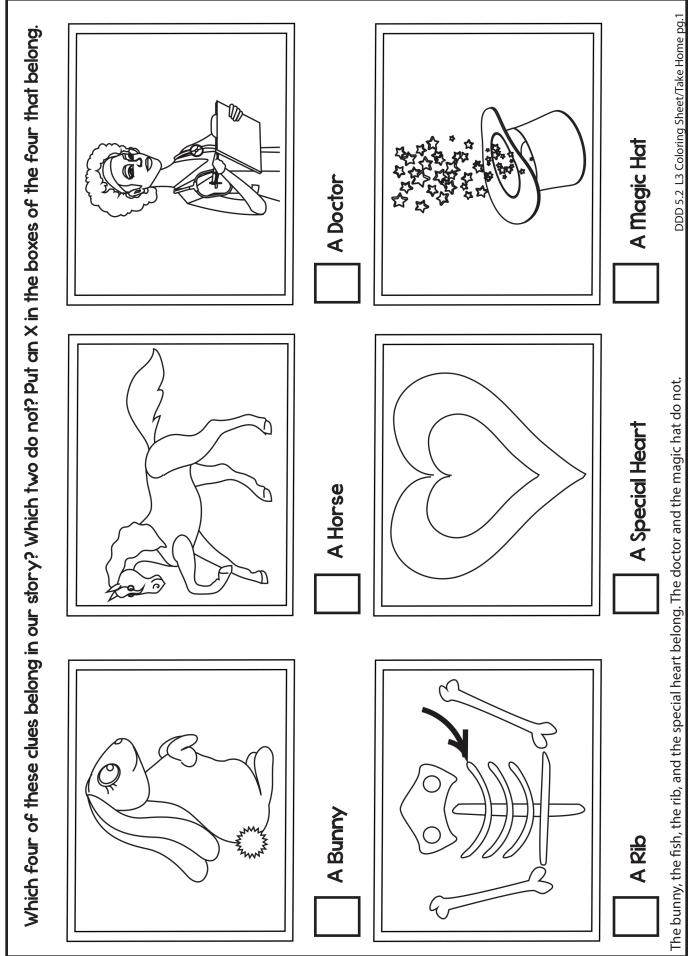
Then God Said: Genesis 1:26,27

from Deep Down Detectives NIV Songs 5, track 21

Then God said, "Let us make man, Let us make man in our own image." Then God said, "Let us make man, Let us make man in our own image." Male and female, He created them, Male and female, He created them.

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Deep Down Detective Devotion: Unit 5, Bible Truth 2, Lesson 3

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Some Questions for You

1. What could Adam and Eve do with the special spirit that God gave them? They could know and love God. They could look at all the wonderful things God made and see what God was like.

2. What did God take from Adam when He put Adam into a deep sleep? A rib.

3. Who did God make from the rib? Eve.

4. What did Adam think about Eve? Here's the special friend that he was looking for. Here's someone like him with a spirit, yet different in a beautiful way.

5. How can we know and love God now? By turning from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.

Let's Pray!

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- God, You made people good in the beginning, but we have all chosen to disobey You. We do not take care of the good С things You made for us to enjoy. We do not love others as You want us to. We do not love You as we should. We need a Savior!
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- God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to see how wonderful S You are when we look at all that You have made. Help us to take good care of the world You've given us. Most of all, help us to know You and live for You, as You created us to. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Let's Praise God Right Now!

Big Q & A 5 Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful

| from Deep Down Detectives NIV Songs 5, track 15 | | |
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| Refrain | Verse 1 | Verse 2 |
| All things bright and beautiful, | Each little flower that opens, | He gave us eyes to see them, |
| All creatures, great and small, | Each little bird that sings, | And lips that we might tell, |
| All things wise and wonderful, | He made their glowing colors, | How great is God Almighty, |
| The Lord God made them all. | He made their tiny wings. <i>Refrain</i> | Who has made all things well. Refrain |
| Big Question 5 Praise Song: The Days of | Creation from Deep Down Detectives NIV Sc | ongs 5, track 16 |
| On Day One, God made light, | FourOn Day Four, God made lights, | Six On Day Six, God did fix, |
| Made the difference in day and night. | Some for day and some for night. | Animals, people and even ticks, |
| God just spoke the words and it came true. | Stars are dim, but the sun and moon are brig | ht. God made lizards, cats and other things |
| Wonder what else God will do? | Aren't you glad that God made light? | that lick. |
| Two On Day Two, God split in two, | | Critters and people were made on Day Six. |
| Skies above, the water blue, | Five On Day Five, God made alive, | |
| God just spoke the word and it came to be. | All the things that swim and the birds to fly, | Seven On Day Seven, God in heaven, |
| What will happen on Day Three? | These were made on Day Five. | Rested from all the work He'd He done. |
| what will happen on Day Three: | | He'd made in perfect wisdom. |
| Three On Day Three, God made land, | | It was good what God had done. |
| Then He put plants in the sand. | | |
| God made herbs and grass and fruit on the trees, | | |
| This was all done on Day Three. | | |

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Deep Down Devotions: Unit 5, Bible Truth 2 Story Concepts

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Dear Parents,

Big Question #5 is: "Can You Tell Me What God Made?" Your child is learning that "God Made All Things Good... God Made People in a Speical Way."

Here's a copy of the Bible story they are learning along with the "Listening Assignment" for each lesson. These assignments provide a different teaching emphasis for each lesson, helping the children dig deeper into each Bible truth. They match up with your child's take home for each lesson. We hope that these resources help your family to dig down deeper into the truths of God's Word!" Happy digging!

•many more resources for this Big Question came be found online at www.praisefactory.org•

Listening Assignments

"Hey, Kids! Detective Dan, here. Listen carefully to the story and help me answer these questions:

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment: I need to know: 1. Who was made out of clay? 2. How did he come to life?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible Verse is Genesis 1:26,27

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our own image.... So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them."

I need to know:

1. How did God make man (people) in His own image?

2. What was special about how God made people that was different from all the other earthly creatures?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found six clues, but two of them are **NOT** in the story. They are: a bunny; a horse; a doctor; a rib: a special heart; and, a magic hat. Hold each of them up for the children to see as you identify them.

I need to know:

1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't?

2. Who did God create with a special ability to praise Him, know Him and love Him?

Read the assignment questions, THEN SAY,

"Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all the questions."

Read the Bible Truth story, answer questions, present the gospel and lead in prayer. Answers to questions; the gospel; and, ACTS prayer are included with the story text.

Bible Story for Big Question 5, Bible Truth 2 use with all THREE lessons

The Case of the Clay Creation *Genesis* 1,2

Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics) What a lot happened in the first, six days of the world!

God made the heavens and the earth. He made light and darkness, sun, moon and stars. He made the seas filled with fish, the skies filled with soaring birds, and the land filled with every plant and animal you can think of. What a very busy place earth had become!

But someone was missing. Someone very special. Someone who was at the very center of all God's plan for the world. Do you know who it was?

Can you tell me?

Why, it was people, of course!

God's plan for the beautiful world He made would never be complete without people. THEY were whom He planned it for, that they might know and enjoy it, and Him, the God who made it all!

So, God made people. He took took some of the clay dirt from the ground and He formed it into a man. Adam! Then, God breathed into Adam's nose the breath of life, and the man became alive.

Now, God made cats, and dogs, and kangaroos, and all the other animals, living creatures with bodies. He made all the birds, fish, and creepy-crawly creatures living creatures with bodies, too. That's why they could meow, and woof, and leap, and fly,and swim, and wriggle, right?

God made Adam a living creature in this way, too. He gave Adam a body that could jump, and run, and dance, and do so many other wonderful things.

But, God put something INSIDE Adam's body that made him alive in another, very special way. Alive in a way unlike any other creature. Alive in a way that made people (and only people) a bit like God, Himself.

Do you know what the something special God would put inside of people?

God made Adam with a living spirit: a special heart that could know and love God, and know and love other people. A special heart that could SEE the greatness and goodness of God in everything God had made. Can you guess how long this special spirit would live?

Can you guess?

Forever and ever! Yes, that's right! This spirit would never die, no matter what! This spirit God gave people was very special, indeed. It's how God made people in His image. God is spirit, and He gave people a spirit, too. This is what makes us a one-of-a-kind picture of God. And, it's why we can know and love God in a way no other creature on earth can.

Bible Story for Big Question 5, Bible Truth 2 use with all THREE lessons

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

So, when God made Adam, Adam opened his eyes, and he saw the beautiful things God had made, and he was AMAZED!

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He was amazed at all the furry animals, the chirping birds, the buzzing insects, and the flopping fish. Amazed at the lovely, green trees with delicious fruit, and the wonderful smell of the colorful flowers. Amazed at the warm sun that shone brightly at day; and, the soft light of the moon and twinkling stars at night. What beautiful things God had made! And most amazing of all, was knowing God inside his special heart. Adam talked with God. He loved God and obeyed Him. And Adam was so very, very happy.

Adam was happy, but something wasn't quite right. He was all alone. He wanted another creature to live with him. So, God brought all the creatures to Adam to name them and let him see if one of these creatures was what he wanted. Animals like lions, dogs, monkeys, lizards, horses, and cats; bears, chickens, kangaroos, ladybugs, and many more, were paraded in front of him. They all came to Adam, and he named them all.

But one after one, Adam looked at them and shook his head. None of them was right to be a special someone for him. Did God forget something? Had He made a mistake?

What do you think?

No, God didn't make a mistake. He didn't forget anything. God knew Adam would long for someone else. God had even made Adam this way. God knew just exactly whom Adam needed, and He was about to give him that special creature.

God took Adam and put him into a very deep sleep. And while Adam was sleeping, God took a rib from Adam's side and formed it into a woman--Eve. God gave her the same, special heart that He had given Adam.

When Adam woke up, there the woman stood in front of him. Adam was so pleased! Here was just the right helper and friend for him! She was like him, yet different, too. They could love each other and love God together. They could talk together and share all the wonderful things God had created.

God gave the happy man and woman jobs made just for them: "Have a family and fill the earth with people," God commanded. "Take care of all the creatures. Rule over all the earth. Explore it and make it all into your home."

"Obey Me and love Me," God told them. "If you do, you will always have wonderful, special closeness together, with Me and with each other, and you shall live happy in this beautiful place forever," He told them.

How wonderful that first day together must have been for Adam and his wife, Eve! They could enjoy everything together: God's creation around them; the love they had for each other; and best of all, that wonderful, special closeness with God, deep in their hearts.

| Bible Story for Big Question 5, Bible Truth 2 use with all THREE lessons P.4 | | | | |
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| 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: I need to know: | world. We have broken what God made so perfectly. But God has made a way for us to come back to Him. How? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. He will restore the friendship He made us to have with Him. Ask God to help you. He loves to answer this prayer. | | | |
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Bible Story for Big Question 5, Bible Truth 2

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

Our Bible Truth is: Can You Tell Me What God Made? God Made All Things Good.. God Made People in a Special Way!

God made everything just right in the beginning. God gave people a heart to know and love Him and see how wonderful He is as they looked at all He made. How very, very sad it is that people chose to turn away from God and disobey Him and His good ways! When they did, their hearts changed. They did not love or know God in the same, wonderful way anymore. They deserved God's punishment for their sins. But God's plans were not broken, even by our sin!

Even from before the beginning, even when there was only a BIG NOTHING, God knew what would happen and He planned to save sinful people! And so, He did. At just the right time, God sent Jesus, His very own, dear Son, to suffer and die on the cross, taking their punishment for sins. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead, showing He had beaten sin and death. Now, all who would turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior, will be forgiven their sins. God will give them new hearts to know and love Him. And one day, when they die, they will get to live with Him. And that new place where they will live with Him will be even more wonderful than the beautiful heaven and earth God made in the beginning! We can live there with God, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask God to help you. He loves to answer this prayer.

Close in prayer.

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Closing ACTS Prayer

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In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

DDD Unit 5, Bible Truth 2 Story for Take Home

Big Question 5, Bible Truth 2 Overview: Key Concepts

Unit 5: God, the Good Creator

Unit Big Question (and Answer): Can You Tell Me What God Made? God Made All Things Good!

Unit Bible Verse: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth...God saw all that He had made, and it was very good." Genesis 1:1,31

Bible Truth 2 Concept: God Made All Things Good... God Made People in a Special Way

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Songs Used in Bible Truth 2

Big Q & A 5 Song

Big Question 5 Song: Can You Tell Me What God Made?

Big Question 5 Bible Verse Song: God Saw All He Had Made Genesis 1:31, NIV 1984

Big Question 5 Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful, vs.1,2

Big Question 5 Praise Song: Days of Creation

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse Song: Then God Said Genesis 1:26,27, NIV 1984

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