

# **About the Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids**

## How Are They Used?



The Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Deep Down Detectives Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

### What Do They Include?

#### There are four different resources included in this book:

simple way by using only the text at the bottom of each Story Scene.



Bible verse, and the Listening Assignments to use with the 3 lessons for each Bible Truth. **2. The Story Scenes, themselves.** Notice that each scene is numbered and that there is a brief summary of the story that corresponds to the picture. You can actually just tell the story in a

1. Key Concept Visual Aids-- colorful signs of the Big Question and Answer, the Bible Truth, the



3. Directions for making the Deep Down Detectives "Bible" Folder and the back/front images to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)
4. Directions for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy Story Scene pictures are found in the back of this book.

## Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. The Story Scenes can be put in sheet protectors or laminated, too.

#### Store It!



Deep Down Detectives is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manilla envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labelled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manilla envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

#### **Replacement Story Scene Pictures**



You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any scenes that go missing.

#### Other Options



You can also choose to tell the story in a more traditional flannelgraph way by using your own flannelgraph figures or by purchasing/free downloading the Storyboard Pictures (large and small format size avaiable). This is more complex and requires more preparation, but some love it. And, it does allow for kids to interact more by helping to place pictures up on the board as you tell the story.

# **Big Question 4, Bible Truth 5 Overview: Key Concepts**

#### **Unit 4: The God Like None Other**

Unit Big Question (and Answer): Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? He's Not Like Anyone Else!

Unit Bible Verse: "O LORD...there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath." 1 Kings 8:23

#### Bible Truth 5 Concept: He's Not Like Anyone Else... He Knows Everything There Is to Know!

God knows everything. He knows everything about the world. He knows everything that has happened and everything that will happen. He knows everything about us, too. He knows everything we do and say. He even knows everything we are thinking in our hearts. There is nothing about us that is hidden from God, good or bad.

God even knows every one of our sins. He knows we deserve His punishment and He has provided us with a Savior—Jesus! When we tell God our sins, turn to live for Him and trust in Jesus as our Savior, He will forgive us and make us His dearly loved people. Then we can know and love God in the wonderful special closeness that He made us to enjoy with Him.

#### Bible Truth 5 Bible Verse: Daniel 2:20

"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might."

Learn a Little:"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever."

#### Meaning

God is the good king and creator of us all. God's people love to praise Him and tell Him how great He is. These verses tell us that the LORD is the God who knows everything there is to know. He is completely wise. There is nothing that can be hidden from Him. He is the one who gives wisdom to make wise people wise.

#### **Bible Truth 5 ACTS Prayer**

- A We praise You, God. You know everything there is to know. There is nothing anyone can hide from You. There is nothing You need to learn. You know it already. There is no one like You!
- **C** God, You know everything we think, say and do. You know that we have all chosen to disobey You. Please forgive our sins. We need a Savior!
- **T** Thank You for using everything You know for Your good plans. Thank You that we can trust You to take care of us and always do what's best.
- **S** Work in our hearts, God. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to trust You even more. Help us to be happy with what Your plans since You know everything and always do what's best. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

#### **Bible Truth 5 Story**

The Case of the Missing Donkeys 1 Samuel 9

# Big Question 4, Bible Truth 5 Overview: Key Concepts

#### Songs Used in Bible Truth 5

Big Q & A 4 Song Big Question 4 Song: Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? Inspector Graff's Rap: The ABC's of God Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song: O, O, Lord 1 Kings 8:23, ESV Extra Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song: In Heaven Above Kings 8:23, ESV (short version) Extra Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song: In Heaven Above Kings 8:23, ESV (full version) Extra Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song: In Heaven Above or Earth Beneath Kings 8:23, ESV (other version) Extra Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song: In Heaven Above or Earth Beneath Kings 8:23, ESV (other version) Extra Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song: I Am God Isaiah 46:9,11, ESV Big Question 4 Hymn: Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children Big Question 4 Praise Song: God Is So Good Bible Truth 5 Bible Verse Song: Blessed Be the Name of God Daniel 2:20-22, ESV Extra Bible Verse Song: May the Name of God Be Praised Daniel 2:20-22, HCSB (other version)

listen to or download songs for free at https://praisefactory.org: Deep Down Detectives Music page

# Bible Story for Big Question 4, Bible Truth 5 use with all THREE lessons

## The Case of the Missing Donkeys

1 Samuel 9

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of BQB

**Story-telling Tips** Ahead of time:

1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!

2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare storyboard figures, if using. (Included in Visual Aids book)

3. Practice telling story with the storyboard pictures, 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 storyboard figures/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.

# INTRODUCTION/ LISTENING ASSIGNMENTS

**"Our story is called: The Case of the Missing Donkeys. 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 lost their donkeys?

2. What good, big plan did the LORD use the lost donkeys to bring about?

# Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

## Our Bible Verse is Daniel 2:20, ESV

"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might."

I need to find out:

1. What stranger did the LORD tell Samuel to prepare for?

2. Why did Samuel trust the LORD to know when this stranger would come to his town?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found six clues, but only 4 of them are in the story.

They are: an ice cream cone, a jar of oil, a man named Kish, a piano, a crown, and good food.

Hold each of them up for the children to see as you identify them.

I need to figure out:

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

2. Who praised God for being so wise and able to know everything?

# 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 4, Bible Truth 5 use with all THREE lessons

**The Case of the Missing Donkeys** 1 Samuel 9

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

Kish had a big problem. Some of his animals were missing. Animals that were worth a lot! It wasn't his chickens. It wasn't his sheep or goats. It was another kind of animal--the kind that he used to pull his wagon and ride on, like we would use a truck or car. Can you guess what kind of animals were missing?

#### Can you guess?

It was his donkeys! Kish looked everywhere for them. He looked all over his farm....but no donkeys. He looked in the stable... but no donkeys. He looked in the fields...no donkeys. He looked faraway to the hills... but still no donkeys!

Kish's donkeys were lost, there was no doubt about that. And Kish just had to find them! So Kish made a plan. He would send his son, Saul to go look for them.

"Saul, take one of the servants and go look for the donkeys," Kish told Saul.

Saul obeyed and soon he and the servant were on their way in search of the lost donkeys. Where could they be?

For three, long days Saul and the servant walked and looked. They climbed up hills and searched there... but there were no donkeys. They walked down into valleys of green grass and searched there...but there were no donkeys. They looked by sparkling streams of cool water, too--all the kinds of places donkeys like to go. But still there were no donkeys!

Where WERE those donkeys? Kish didn't know. Saul and the servant didn't know. Did anyone know? Yes, someone did know.

#### Who DID know? Can you guess?

That someone was the LORD. He is the God who knows everything there is to know. And He knew exactly where those donkeys had gone off to.

And not only did the LORD know exactly where the donkeys were, He even planned something very good to happen to Saul as he looked for them. The LORD had planned to use this little journey looking for donkeys to put Saul in just the right place, with just the right person to make Saul the first king of Israel. And the LORD was going to do all of this without Saul knowing even one little bit of His good, big plan!

Saul didn't know about God's plans, but a man named Samuel did. Samuel was a prophet--a special messenger for the LORD. The LORD had told Samuel about Saul and His plans to make him king.

"Samuel, tomorrow the man I've chosen to be king over Israel is coming to your town. He will lead the people in fighting off their enemies, the Philistines. I want you to pour the special anointing oil on his head and make him king over Israel," the LORD told him.

This was big news! The LORD had chosen a man to lead the people against their enemies. And, this man was coming to Samuel's town to be anointed king...the very next day! Samuel decided to have a worship feast when Saul came to town. Up in the hills, they would offer worship gifts to the LORD, and would honor Saul with a fine dinner. There was so much to do in so little time! There were guests to invite. There were worship gifts to buy. There was the table to set for the feast, and all of the good food to prepare.

# Bible Story for Big Question 4, Bible Truth 5

use with all THREE lessons

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

There was so much to do in so little time! There were guests to invite. There were worship gifts to buy. There was the table to be set for the feast, and good food to prepare and cook.

By the end of the day, everything was ready. The worship gifts were offered and the guests gathered in the dining hall up at the worship place. Everyone was ready to eat the delicious food. It looked like it was time for the feast to begin, but it couldn't. Something--really, someONE was missing.

Can you guess who?

It was Saul. the special guest, himself! After all, no one had told HIM about the worship feast. No one had told HIM he was going to be anointed king of Israel! He was just out looking for lost donkeys. The whole thing seemed rather silly to think that Saul would show up at the party that night, don't you think?

I guess it WOULD be silly, but for one thing: this was the LORD's plan and He is the God who knows everything there is to know. If He said that Saul would be there, then Saul would be there. Samuel was sure of that!

Samuel left the guests and went back down to the town and who should be looking for him at the city gates, but Saul and his servant! "This is the man I told you about," the LORD told Samuel. "The man I've chosen to be king."

Saul went up to Samuel and said, "My servant says you are a great man of God and God tells you things. Can you tell me where my father's donkeys are?"

"Don't worry about your father's donkeys," Samuel told Saul. "They've been found. They are back at home. Come up here with me to the worship feast. Sit here at the most important place. Eat the best food. We've been waiting for you to come," Samuel said.

Saul didn't understand why Samuel and the people were waiting for him, but he didn't complain. He went with Saul up to the worship place and took the place of honor next to Samuel. He enjoyed the good food and the worship feast. And what a feast it was! Why, Samuel had even saved the very best piece of meat for HIM! Yum!

After dinner, Samuel took Saul and his servant to his house for the night. He made them a bed on the roof, and there they slept out under the stars.

At sunrise, Samuel woke Saul and his servant. "Get up so I may send you on your way," Samuel told them. Samuel walked with them out of town. "Send your servant on ahead, Saul. I have something important from God to tell you alone," Samuel said. Saul and his servant obeyed.

When the servant had passed ahead of them, Samuel took out his jar of special oil and poured it on Saul's head. He kissed Saul, then said, "I have poured this oil on your head as a sign that you are to be king of Israel. The LORD has chosen you of all men. You will rule over them and you will rescue them from the enemies who live in the lands around them. In a few days, we will tell all the people. But for now keep this a secret."

What a lot Saul had to think about as he went home with his servant! The LORD had planned to use those lost donkeys to make him king over Israel! And, the LORD had told Samuel what he would do and where he would go, even before he did it!

How could the LORD do this? Because He is the God who knows everything there is to know! He is like no one else. How amazing is the LORD!

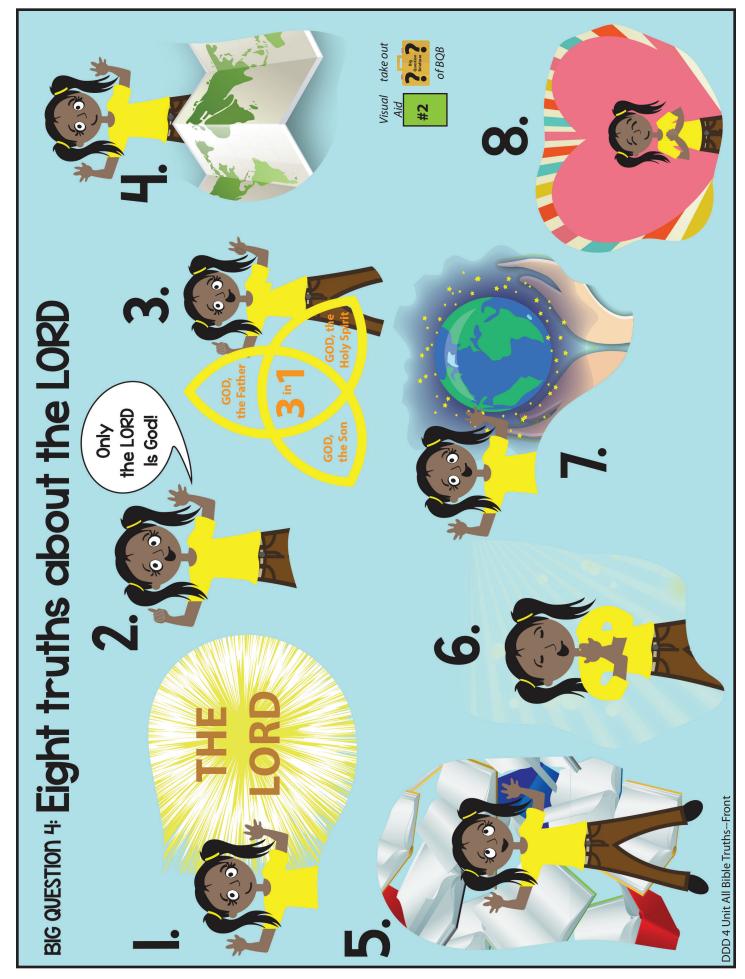
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Bible Story for Big Question 4, Bible Truth	5 use with all THREE lessons P.4
<b>Cracking the Case:</b> (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments) It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.	when we don't understand how and when He will carry them out. How much more than us He knows! How wise He is!
<ul> <li>Detective Dan's Lesson 1 Listening Assignment:</li> <li>1. Who lost their donkeys? Kish did.</li> <li>2. What good, big plan did the LORD use the lost donkeys to bring about? His plan to make Saul king over the people.</li> </ul>	The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments) Our Bible Truth is: Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? He's Not Like Anyone Else He Knows Everything There Is to Know!
<b>For You and Me:</b> The LORD still knows everything there is to know and He still weaves His good plans into everything that happens to us and to this world. We can always trust the promises that He gives us in His Word, the Bible. We can always trust Him to carry out His good plans.	Sometimes it is scary to know that God knows everything about us. We can hide some of the bad things we think or say or do from others, but we can't hide anything from God. We know that He hates sin and He will punish sin. We know that we all choose to do things our own way, not God's good way.
<ul> <li>Detective Dan's Lesson 2 Listening Assignment: Our Bible Verse is Daniel 2:20, ESV:</li> <li>"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might."</li> <li>1. What stranger did the LORD tell Samuel to prepare for? Saul.</li> <li>2. Why did Samuel trust the LORD to know when this stranger would come to his town? Samuel knew that the LORD was the God who knows everything there is to know. All wisdom (and power) are His. Samuel knew that if the LORD planned for Saul to come, then Saul would most definitely come. And so he did!</li> </ul>	Isn't God so kind to us, though? He knows every bad thing about us, yet He promises to forgive every single one of them, when we repent of our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. And if we do, He will not ONLY forgive our sins, but He will give us a new heart to know and love Him. We will get to have special closeness in our hearts with Him for the rest of our lives. Then, one day when we die, we will go to live with Him and enjoy Him forever as happy as anyone can ever be! How amazing is the LORD! How good and loving He is to us! There is no one like Him! <i>Close in prayer.</i>
For You and Me:	Closing ACTS Prayer
The LORD still knows everything there is to know and He still weaves His good plans into everything that happens to us and to this world. We can always trust the promises that He gives us in His Word, the Bible. We can always trust Him to carry out His good plans, even when we don't understand how and when He will carry them out.	<ul> <li>A We praise You, God. You know everything there is to know. There is nothing anyone can hide from You. There is nothing You need to learn. You know it already. There is no one like You!</li> <li>C God, You know everything we think, say and do.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Detective Dan's Lesson 3 Listening Assignment:</li> <li>Our six clues were: an ice cream cone, a jar of oil, a man named Kish, a piano, a crown, and good food.</li> <li>1. Which four belong in our story? The jar of oil, the man named Kish, the crown and the good food .</li> <li>2. Who praised God for being so wise and able to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>You know that we have all chosen to disobey You.</li> <li>Please forgive our sins. We need a Savior!</li> <li>T Thank You for using everything You know for Your good plans. Thank You that we can trust You to take care of us and always do what's best.</li> </ul>
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Let's sing our Big Question Song:" Big Q & A 4 Song DDESV Songs 4, track 12 (adapted version of "Hore You Fore Seen a Lassie" Can anybody tell me, Can anybody tell me, What the LORD is like? He's not like anyone else, Anyone else, anyone else, He's not like anyone else, That's what the LORD is like.		<b>Meaning:</b> There are many gods that people worship, but none is like the LORD. He is the one, true God. He's not like anyone else! He's always been aliveand He will never die. He's completely good and loving. He's all-powerful and all-wise. And that's just the beginning of what the LORD is like. He is so great! There will always be more of Him to know.	Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? and the Answer is: He's Not Like Anyone Else!	The Big Question we are investigating today is Big Question Number 4:	<b>The Big Question</b> Hold up the Big Question sign for all the children to see, and say:
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DDD 4 Unit All Bible TruthsBack	
	Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue sign and hand it to you.
	"Ok, we've learned four truths about what the LORD is like. They are: "He is a Glorious Spirit," "He Is the One, True God," "He Is Father, Son and Holy Spirit: Three Persons, but Just One God," and, "He Is Everywhere, All the Time" (point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth). Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue sign and see if we can figure out which of these eight truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"
	After everyone has had a good look say
	Choose a child to get it and hand it to you, then hold it up and show them the pictures of the eight truths they will be learning.
	Who would like to hand me the picture with our eight Bible truths on it? It's in the Big Question Box/Briefcase."
	"He's not like anyone else" is a good beginning, but there's so more to learn. So it's time for us to dig down even deeper for more answers to our Big Question about God. We're going to be learning EIGHT Bible truths that all tell us more about what God is like.
	This Unit's Bible Truths

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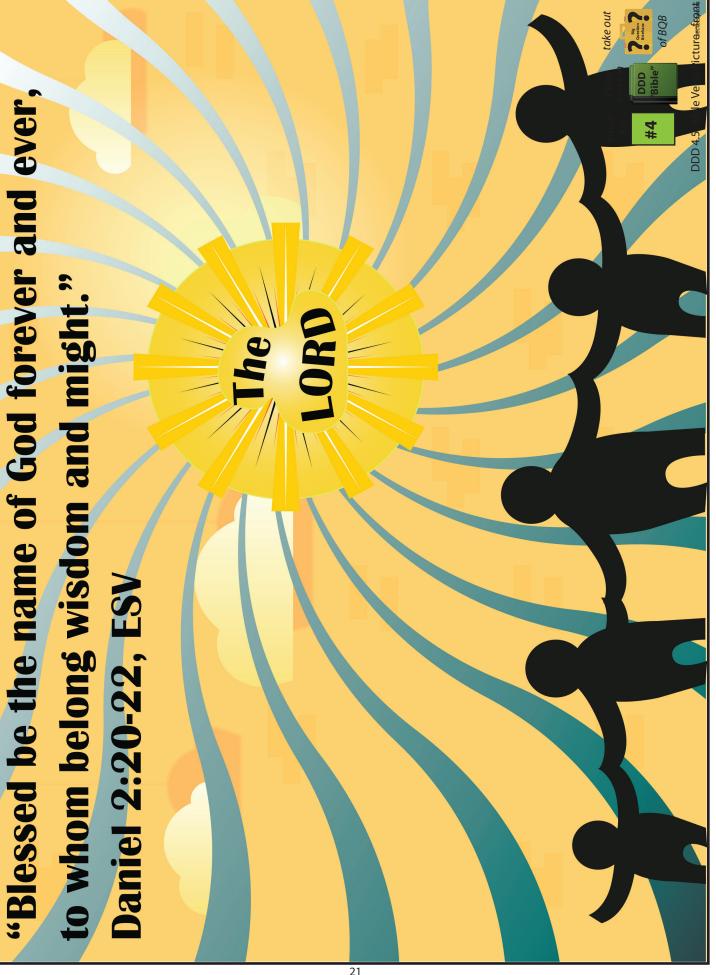
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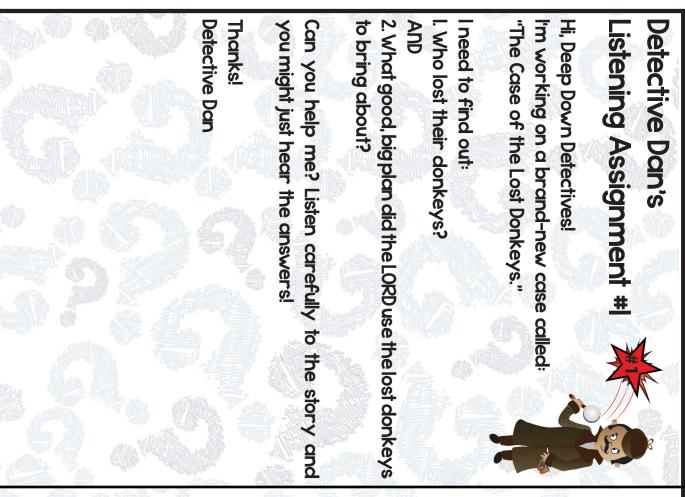
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world. He knows everything that has happened and everything that will happen. He knows everything about us, too. He knows everything we do and say. He even knows everything we are thinking in our hearts. There is nothing about us that is hidden from God, good or bad. God even knows every one of our sins. He knows we deserve His	answer, written along the bottom, and say: "Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? He's Not Like Anyone Else! He Knows <u>????</u> There Is to Know!"
And here is what this Bible Truth means: (read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:) God knows everything. He knows everything about the	Revealing the Bible Truth We Are Learning Hold up the front side for the children to see. Cover up the



Bible Truth 5 Bible Verse	"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"
Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:	Daniel 2:20-22
Daniel 2:20 tells us:	DDD ESV Songs 4, track 30
<b>Daniel 2:20, ESV:</b> "Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wis- dom and might."	Refrain Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, Blessed be the name of God forever and ever,
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there is to know. He is completely wise. There is nothing that can be hidden from Him. He is the one who gives wisdom to make wise peo- ple wise.	He gives wisdom to the wise, He reveals deep and hidden things; He knows what in the darkness lies,
"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"	And the light dwells with him, And the light dwells with him.
	To you, O God of my fathers, To you, O God of my fathers, I give thanks and praise, I give thanks and praise. Refrain
	Daniel Chapter Two, verses twenty through twenty-three.
	"Now it's time to do a bit more deep down investigating. Let's see what Detective Dan wants us to help him figure out. Would someone like to get it out for me?"
	DDD 4.5 Bible Verse PictureBack





**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 of his questions."

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

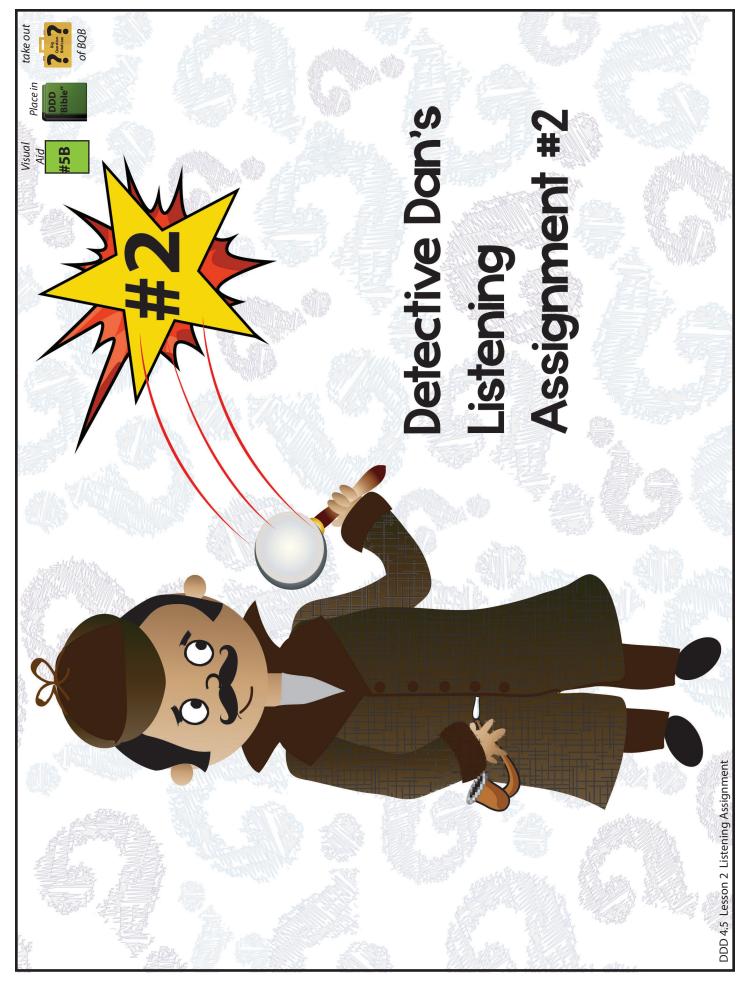
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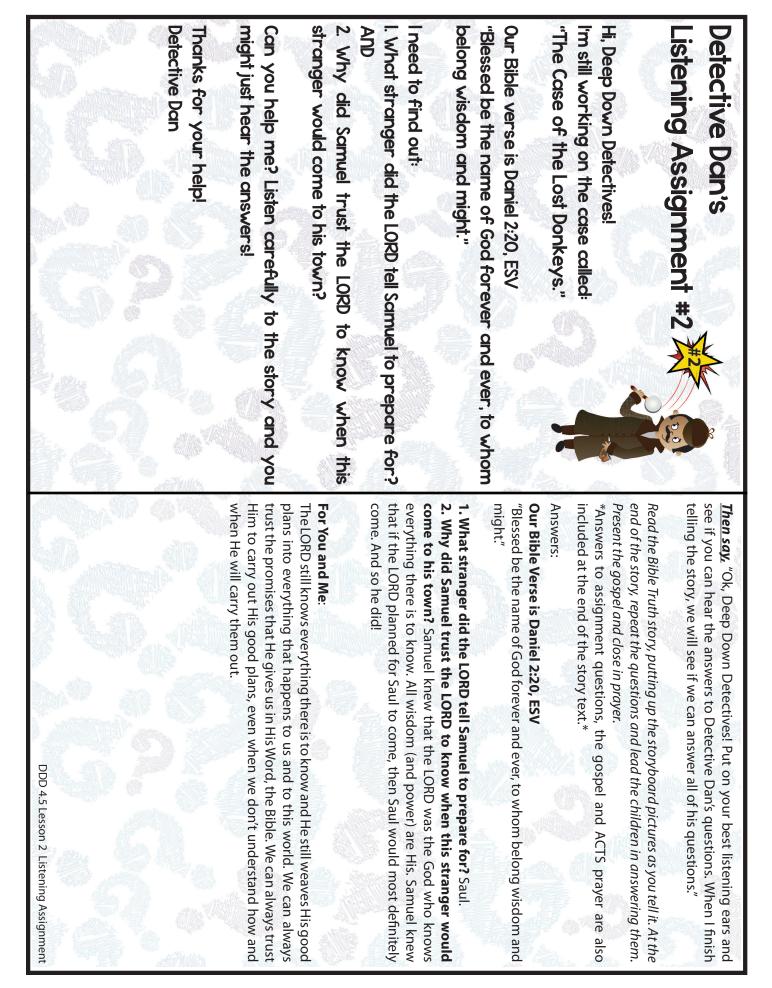
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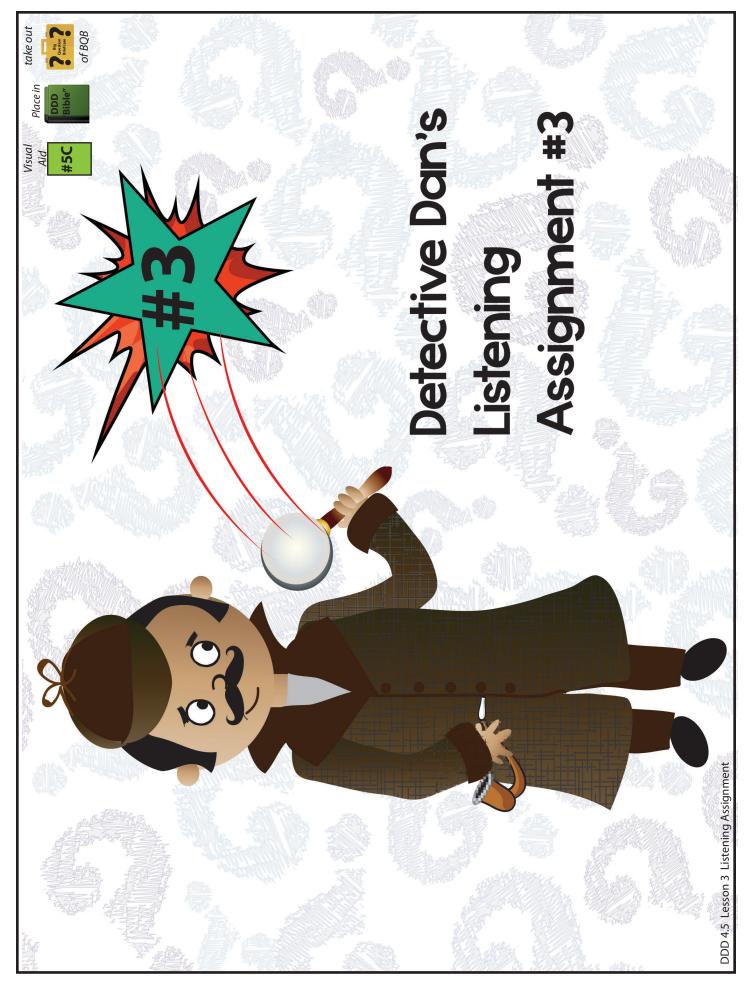
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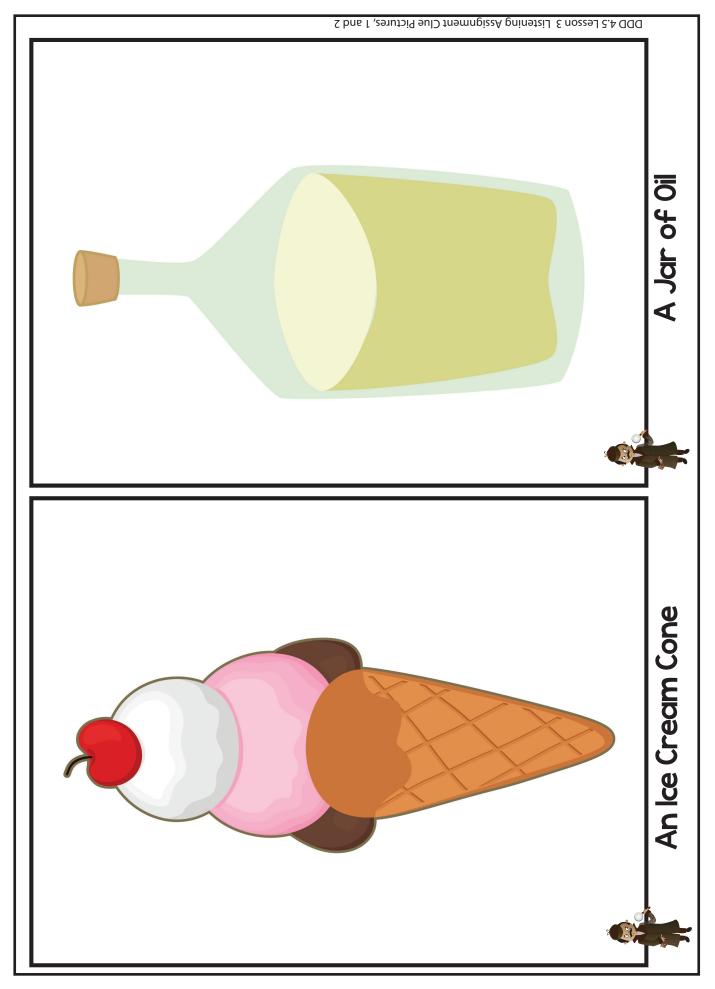
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DDD 4.5 Lesson 3 Listening Assignment	
	Thanks! Detective Dan
	you might just hear the answers!
	Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and
	know everything?
	2. Who praised God for being so wise and able to
when He will carry them out. How much more than us He knows! How wise He is!	I. Which FOUR pictures belong in the story and which
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Answers: <b>1. Which four pictures belong in the story and which two do not?</b> The jar of oil, the man named Kish, the crown and the good food belong in	I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story.
included at the end of the story text.*	"The Case of the Lost Donkeys."
Present the gospel and close in prayer. *Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also	I'm still working on the case called:
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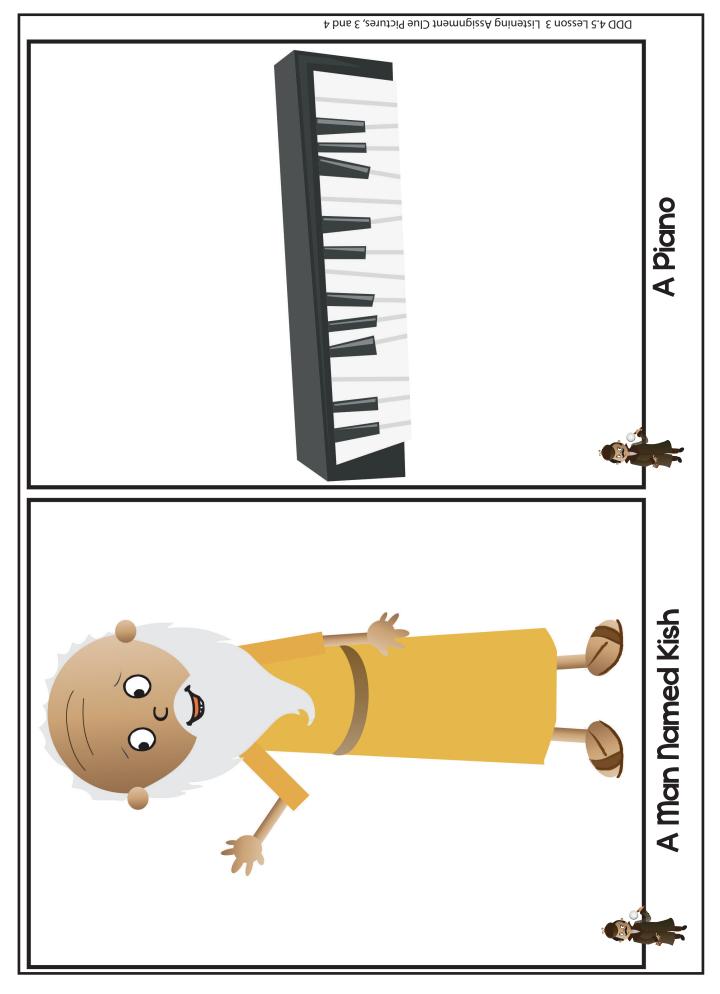




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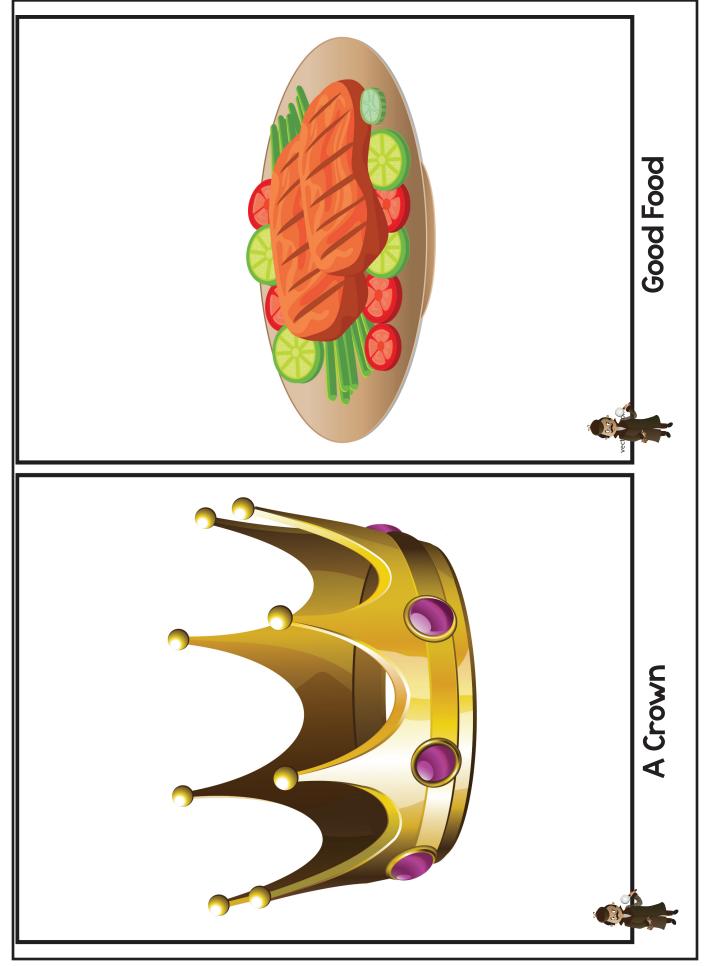




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DDD 4.5 Lesson 3 Listening Assignment Clue Picture 6 for kids



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