

# Session Prep (especially good for newbies!)

Pray! NOTE: Most 2 & 3 year olds do best simply learning the Big Question & Answer, a simple version of the Bible story, and maybe the Bible Verse. Use other activities, as time and attention span allow. Your session prep need only include what you use.

Pray for the Holy Spirit to be at work in your heart and the children's hearts.

### Review



If new to the curriculum, look at the **Getting Started with Hide 'n' Seek Kids section of this book** (p.5) It will be especially helpful to read through the Hide 'n' Seek Kids section of **The Praise Factory Tour: Extended Version Book.** This is a visual way to understand what goes on in the classroom. (A pdf of the book is found in the samples section on the website.)

### Look through and Learn the Lesson



Read over **lesson plan**. Practice any **songs or action rhymes** you are using. Choose/make up motions to go with these. Choose less with younger children and more with older preschoolers. **Practice the lesson with the visual aids** and using the Big Question Box/Briefcase.

# **Read and Rehearse the Bible Story with Pictures**



Read the Bible story from the Bible. Read the curriculum version. Practice telling it with the storyboard pictures. (If you have not previously laminated the story pictures, do that now.) Or, rehearse it from the Simple Story Scenes, if you are using those.

# Let There Be Music



Download the music and listen to the songs. Choose which of the songs you will use with the children. If using live musicians, make sure they have the sheet music (found in Appendix A).

# **Put the Props in Place**

1. Prepare your Visual Aids. Put the Bible Verse, Listening Assignment, Bible Story in one side of the Bible folder. Keep out the Big Question sign.



2. Get out your storyboard. If using Simple Story Scenes, put these in your Blble Folder. Or, if using the individual storyboard figures, put all background pictures in place (they have a BG by the number). Put the rest of the storyboard pictures (these have a SB by the number) in order of use in the other side of the Bible folder.

3. Put the HSK Bible Folder as well as the Big Question sign in the Big Question Box/Briefcase and shut it. If your box/briefcase has locks and you want to use the unlocking the box as part of your session, lock it now....but make sure you have the key or know the code first.

4. Prepare the music CD or sheet music or mp3 device for use in your session.

# **Set Out Free Play Activities**



Choose and set up free time activities you will use with the children. Choose a variety of different activities that will be enjoyed by different types of children. Rotate the activities you provide to keep them interesting and fresh to your children. (Suggestions in Appendix D, Core Curriculum books.)

# Prepare Any Activities



Choose which (if any) of the unit games and crafts activities you want to use in the session. Bear in mind your time frame as well as the developmental abilities/attention span of your children as you decide what/how many to prepare. **Look over the Discussion Sheet** and choose a few questions you might use to spark discussion with the children as they do their activities (especially good for ages 3's+). Pray for God to give you opportunities to talk about these things with the children.

# Let Them Take It with Them



Make copies of the craft/take home sheets, if you are not already using them as one of your activities. You may also want to make copies of the story (see take-home version of each story included in Appendix C with the other take home resources) to have for parents to use with their children at home. There's a link on each craft/take home sheet to the story, if you don't make hard copies.

# Store It



After your session is over, collect the resources and store them for future use. This curriculum can be used over and over for years to come.

# Unit 15 Overview of Key Concepts

### **UNIT 15: God's People Gather Together**

Unit Big Question (and Answer): "Why Do God's People Go to Church? To Worship God and Love One Another!"

### **Meaning:**

A church is God's people gathering together. Some churches meet in special buildings. Some churches meet in homes. Some meet outside. No matter where they meet, when God's people gather together, they are a church. When God's people gather together as a church, they worship God. They worship Him for being the one, true God, who is not like anyone else. They worship Him for saving them through Jesus. They sing songs and pray to God. They listen to the Bible and learn how to obey it. God's people also gather together to love one another. They talk with each other, take care of each other, and pray for each other. The Bible tells us that God's people are to meet together often. Usually, this is on Sundays, the day that Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus promised that when God's people gather together, He will be there with them in a special way.

### Unit 15 Bible Verse: Hebrews 10:24-25

"Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together."

### **Meaning:**

Why do God's people go to church? To worship God and love one another. The Bible tells God's people to not neglect meeting together! They need to keep on meeting together, week after week. At church, they learn about God from the Bible. At church, they sing songs of praise to God together. They pray to God and pray for each other. They help each other to love one another more and to love God, most of all. They do good works that take care of each other's needs and help everyone live like Jesus. That's why we're at church even today!

### **Unit 15 ACTS Prayer**

- A We praise You, God, for being the mighty Savior of your people--the Church.
- **C** God, we confess that too many times we don't want to go to church to worship You or love others. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!
- **T** Thank You, God, for all the people who help us to worship You and love one other when we gather together. Thank You for saving millions and millions of people and making them part of Your people, the Church.
- **S** God, work in our hearts. Help us become Your people, by turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to worship You and love others when we gather together. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

### **Unit 15 Story**

# **The Case of the People Who Loved a Lot** *Acts 2*

Songs Used in Unit 15 listen to or download songs for free at https://praisefactory.org: Hide n Seek Kids Music page

Big Q & A 15 Song Big Question 15 Song: Why Do God's People Go to Church? Unit 15 Bible Verse Song: Let Us Not Give Up Meeting Together Hebrews 10:25, NIV 1984 Unit 15 Hymn: Brethren, We Have Met to Worship, v.1 Unit 15 Praise Song: Praise the Lord Together

# Hide 'n' Seek Kids NIV Songs 15 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)

### **UNIT 15: GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER TOGETHER**

- 12 Big Q & A 15 Song
- 13 Big Question 15 Song: Why Do God's People Go to Church?
- 14 Unit 15 Bible Verse Song: Let Us Not Give Up Meeting Together Hebrews 10:25, NIV 1984
- 15 Unit 15 Hymn: Brethren, We Have Met to Worship, v.1
- 16 Unit 15 Praise Song: Praise the Lord Together

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#### 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.

Lesson Plan: Big	Question 15 👘 = follow the stars for a short & simple lesson plan use	e with all FIVE lessons <b>p.</b>
1. GETTING STAR	<b>TED</b> NOTE: Most 2 & 3 year olds do best simply learning the Big Question & Answ	
Bible story, and maybe the Bible Verse. Use other activities, as time and attention span allow.		ention span allow.
Activity Ideas	Choose one of these open-ended activities to include children as t	hey join the class:
Free Play Time		
suggestions in Appendix D	(usually best for 2 year olds) Offer your own or some of the easy-to-make, free play activities su	ggested in Appendix D.
OR Sing-along	Music from Hide 'n' Seek Kids (HSK) NIV Songs 15:	
Music Time	Big Q & A 15 Song	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 12
lyrics and sheet music,	Big Question 15 Song	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 1.
Appendix A	Unit 15 Bible Verse Song:	
	Let Us Not Give Up Meeting Together Hebrews 10:25, NIV 1984	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 14
listen to or	Unit 15 Hymn:	
download songs for free at https://	Brethren, We Have Met to Worship, v.1	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 1
praisefactory.org:	Unit 15 Praise Song:	
Hide n Seek Kids	Praise the Lord Together	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 16
Music page	Add more fun to Sing-along Music Time by adding a Music, Movement & Memory Activ of this lesson plan with the Response Activities. Instructions found in Appendix B.	ity. These activities are listed on p. &
OR Bible Verse Memory Game instructions found in Appendix B	Lesson 1 Game: Roll 'n'Toss Lesson 2 Game: Duck, Duck, Goose Lesson 3 Game: Detective Mission Madness Practice Lesson 4 Game: Block Clapping Lesson 5 Game: Meet, Greet and Keep It Up	
	These activities are also included on p.8 of this lesson plan with the Response Activities.	
2. OPENING CIRCL	E TIME (introduce the Bible Truth and tell the related Bible story)	
Gathering the Children	Sing verse 1 of The Classroom Song to gather the children for Circle Tim	ne.
lyrics and sheet music,	The Classroom Song, verse 1	ISK NIV Songs 15, track 1
Appendix A	Let's gather together to worship God,	
	Let's gather together to worship God,	
	Let's gather together to worship God,	
	Come gather here with me!	
Welcome to	۲٬٬٬Welcome to Hide 'n' Seek Kids! We're so glad you've joined us! We're	here to seek God and lear
Hide 'n' Seek Kids!	His Word and hide it in our heart so that it will always be with us. Word, the Bible, in our hearts. We ask big questions about God and of God's Word to find them."	And we're here to HIDE H
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<b>E TIME, continued</b> $\Rightarrow$ = short & simple lesson plan		
"Let's sing our Hide 'n' Seek Kids theme song."		
<b>Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song</b> Come along, we're gonna hide 'n' seek! Hide God's Word in our heart and Him, we'll seek, God loves to show us the truths of His Word, That we might know Him and live out what we've learned.	HSK NIV Songs 15, track	
There are two very important things that Hide 'n' Seek Kids and we love one another. Our Classroom Rules Song remin- sing it."		
<b>Classroom Rules Song</b> Shh, be quiet while someone is talking, Raise your hand, if you have something to say, Don't touch your friend, sitting beside you, Obey your teachers, Be kind as you play. These are our classroom rules, These are our classroom rules, They help us worship God and love one another, These are our classroom rules.	HSK NIV Songs 15, track	
"Children, we need God's help to keep these rules. Let's ask H get ready and pray."	Him to help us right now. Let's	
Let's Pray 1-2-3! Fold your hands, Bow your head, Close your eyes. Let's pray! <i>(repeat)</i> "Let's pray:"	HSK NIV Songs 15, track .	
<b>Opening Prayer</b> Dear Lord, We're so glad to get to gather together to worship You! Please help us keep the classroom rules. Please help us to love You and learn about You today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.		
	"Let's sing our Hide 'n' Seek Kids theme song." "Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song Come along, we're gonna hide 'n' seek! Hide God's Word in our heart and Him, we'll seek, God loves to show us the truths of His Word, That we might know Him and live out what we've learned. There are two very important things that Hide 'n' Seek Kids and we love one another. Our Classroom Rules Song remin sing it." <b>Classroom Rules Song</b> Shh, be quiet while someone is talking, Raise your hand, if you have something to say, Don't touch your friend, sitting beside you, Obey your teachers, Be kind as you play. These are our classroom rules, They help us worship God and love one another, These are our classroom rules. "Children, we need God's help to keep these rules. Let's ask H get ready and pray." Let's Pray 1-2-3! Fold your hands, Bow your head, Close your eyes. Let's pray! ( <i>repeat</i> ) "Let's pray." Opening Prayer Dear Lord, We're so glad to get to gather together to worship You! Please help us keep the classroom rules. Please help us to love You and learn about You today.	

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2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued $rac{1}{2}$ = short & simple lesson plan		
Reveal the Big Question	"It's time to get down to business, Hide 'n' Seek kids! Let's se today is. It's right inside our Big Question Box/ Briefcase."	ee what our Big Question for
Introduce the Big Question Box/Briefcase Jyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	<b>The Big Question Box Song</b> We've got a big box, All closed up and locked, Filled with the truths of God's Word. We've got a brief case, There's no time to waste, Come on, kids, let's open it up!	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 8
The Big Question under Investigation VISUAL take out AID IIII IIIII of BQB Big Question & Answer Sign, front side *found in the HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV Book	Ok, who would like to open it up for me and pull out the Big Choose a child to open the box/briefcase, take out the Big Ques hold up the Big Question sign for all the children to see, and say The Big Question we are investigating today is Big Question <b>Why Do God's People Go to Church?</b> and the Answer is: <b>To Worship God and Love One Another!</b>	stion and hand it to you. Then /:
Big Question Meaning	A church is God's people gathering together. Some churches Some churches meet in homes. Some meet outside. No ma God's people gather together, they are a church. When God a church, they worship God. They worship Him for being the like anyone else. They worship Him for saving them through pray to God. They listen to the Bible and learn how to obey together to love one another. They talk with each other, take for each other. The Bible tells us that God's people are to n this is on Sundays, the day that Jesus rose from the dead. Jesu people gather together, He will be there with them in a spec	tter where they meet, when i's people gather together as ne one, true God, who is not n Jesus. They sing songs and r it. God's people also gather e care of each other, and pray neet together often. Usually, us promised that when God's
Big Question Songs Big Q & A 15 Song Iyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	"Let's sing our Big Question Song: <b>Big Q &amp; A 15 Song</b> (adapted version of "This Is the Way We Wash Our Clothes") Why do God's people go to church? Go to church? Go to church? Why do God's people go to church? To worship God and to love one another!	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 12
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2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued $\bigstar$ = short & simple lesson plan		
Learning about the Big Question	<i>Say:</i> "Hmmmm, I wonder what that means explains it."	<b>Worship God and Love One Another!"</b> Let's do our action rhyme/sing our song tha y of the optional motions suggested, if desired.
Big Question 🥤	Big Question 15 Action Rhyme	(POSSIBLE ACTIONS)
Action Rhyme	Let's gather together to worship God. Let's gather together to worship God. That's what God's people do.	Raise hands to praise God
	Let's gather together to love each other. Let's gather together to love each other. That's what God's people do.	Hold open arms out towards others, like welcoming a hug
	Let's gather together to hear God's Word. Let's gather together to hear God's Word. That's what God's people do.	Make an open Bible with the flat palms of your hands
	Let's gather together to sing and pray. Let's gather together to sing and pray. That's what God's people do.	Make prayer hands
<b>Big Question</b>	Big Question 15 Action Rhyme/ Song	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 13
(Action Rhyme)	Refrain:	(POSSIBLE ACTIONS)
<b>Song</b> lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	Why do God's people go to church? To worship God and love one another.	Raise hands to praise God
	Why do God's people go to church? To worship God and love one another.	Hold open arms out towards others, like welcoming a hug
	Verse 1: A church is God's people, Gathered together. It's not a building of bricks. It's made up of people, Who follow Jesus, In faith and repentance. <i>Refrain</i>	Point out to other people Make a cross with your fingers
	<b>Verse 2:</b> God's people gather to worship God.	Make prayer hands
	To sing His praises and pray. They listen to preaching, From God's Word, the Bible,	Make an open Bible with the flat palms of your hands
	To better love Him each day. <i>Refrain</i>	Raise hands to praise God
	Verse 3: God's people gather to love one another, In acts of kindness and grace. They love one another, Like sisters and brothers,	Hold open arms out towards others, like welcoming a hug
	Helping all to live God's way. <i>Refrain</i>	Point up to God in heaven

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2. OPENING CIRCLE T	ME, continued $\bigstar$ = short & simple lesson plan
Learning the <b>T</b> Bible Verse	"And how do I know this is true? God tells me so in His special book, the Bible."
The Bible Chant	Say or sing the Bible Chant Song.
Song	The Bible Chant SongHSK NIV Songs 15, track 9The Bible, the Bible,
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	Let's get out the Bible. Let's hear what God has to say. The Bible, the Bible, God's given us the Bible. It's His Word for us to learn and obey! Yay!
The Bible Verse in the HSK Bible Folder HSK 7 Bible Verse-front side (in the HSK Bible folder)	"Who would like to get our Bible folder out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?" Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the "Bible" folder and hand it to you. Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:
VISUAL Place AID verse in take out	
<b>#2 HSK</b> <b>Bible</b> <b>Folder</b> <i>of BQB</i> <i>Folder</i>	<b>THebrews 10:24-25 NIV 1984</b> "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together."
*found in the HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV Book	
Bible Verse	What does that mean?
<b>Meaning</b> HSK 15 Bible Verse-back side	Why do God's people go to church? To worship God and love one another. The Bible tells God's people to not neglect meeting together! They need to keep on meeting together, week after week. At church, they learn about God from the Bible. At church, they sing songs of praise to God together. They pray to God and pray for each other. They help each other to love one another more and to love God, most of all. They do good works that take care of each other's needs and help everyone live like Jesus. That's why we're at church even today!
Bible Verse Song	"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	Let Us Not Give Up Meeting Together       HSK NIV Songs 15, track 14
	Let us not give us meeting together, Let us not give us meeting together, Let us not give up meeting together, Hebrews Ten, twenty-four.
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2. OPENING CIRCLE	<b>TIME, continued</b> $\Rightarrow$ = short & simple lesson plan
Getting into the Case	"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?"
Listening Assignments	NOTE: Listening assignments are most suitable for ages 3+. Skip straight to the Bible story (see bottom of this page), if working with 2 year olds.
Place in take out	"Let's open up our listening assignment and see what we are supposed to figure out today.
Bible Folder	Choose a child to take out the Listening Assignment (from the HSK Bible Folder) and hand it to you. Read Detective Dan's letter to the children that includes the listening assignment. The listening assignments are summarized below:
VISUAL AID	Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:
<b>#3</b> HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV	As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out: 1. Who were the people who loved a lot? Who was it that they loved this way? 2. How did they show their love?
VISUAL AID <b>#4</b>	<b>Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:</b> Our Bible verse is Hebrews 10:24-25: "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together." As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:
HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV	<ol> <li>To neglect something means to not do it as much as you should. Who didn't neglect to meet together on the special worship day?</li> <li>On what day did they meet together? What good things did they help each other do?</li> </ol>
	Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:
<b>#5A,B,C</b>	I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story. They are: a soldier; a gathering place; a Bible; and a jar of food.
*Listening Assignment #3 includes the Assignment Sheet, plus 4 clue pictures*	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:
HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV	<ol> <li>Which three pictures belong in the story and which one does not?</li> <li>How were the other three things important in our story?</li> </ol>
VISUAL AID	Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:
#6	As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out: 1. What did the people in the story thank God for?
	2. What did they ask God to help them do?
HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV	Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:
VISUAL AID	As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:
#7	1. What did Jesus do for the people?
HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV	2. What is the good news that they believed?
Tell the Bible Story	
Place story & pics in take out	<b>Then say,</b> "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."
Bible Folder of BQB	Bible Story: The Case of the People Who Loved A Lot Acts 2

HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV Bible Story included in this book, immediately after the Lesson Plan and with the Visual Aids Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures/Story Scenes as you tell it. Then, have the children answer the listening assignment. Present the the gospel and lead in prayer.

\*Answers to questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are included with the story text.\*

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2. OPENING CIRC	<b>LE TIME, continued</b> $\bigstar$ = short & simple lesson plan	
Story Response Song(s)	As attention span and time allow, you might want to end with also tie in with the unit. If desired, use the Music and Movement with the Response Activities.	
Hymn	Brethren, We Have Met to Worship	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 15
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A		
	<b>Tie-in:</b> "Why do God's people go to church? To worship God know what brethren are? It's a big word that means "brothe like brothers and sisters in a familyGod's family. They mee listen to the pastor preach God's Word. They meet togethe for each other's needs. When they meet together they do th else do they do? Why, that's why you and I, your parents and church today!"	ers and sisters." God's people are et to worship God and pray and er to love one another and care hings to love one another. What
Praise Song	Praise Song: Praise the Lord Together	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 16
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	Praise the Lord together saying: "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!" Praise the Lord together saying: "Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!" <i>repeat</i>	
	<b>Tie-in:</b> "Why do God's people go to church? To worship Go people meet together to worship God and love one another listen to God's Word together and they love each other. Lo together to worship God and love one another."	r. They praise God together, they
3. TAKING ACTIO	N: Response Activities (choose from among these activities)	
Transition to Activities	Well, Hide 'n' Seek Kids, you've done a great job diggin' deep o God's Word. Now it's time to enjoy some activities."	down for answers in the truths of
	Tell children what activity/s you are providing for them: either activities listed below. When you are ready to dismiss them, u transition in an orderly fashion to their next activity.	
Classroom Song,	"Children, let's sing our Time to Play Song. When we are fin over to our next activity."	ished you may get up and walk
<b>verse 2</b> lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	<b>Classroom Song, verse 2</b> We've gathered together to worship God, We've gathered together to worship God, And now it's time to play.	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 2
	Dismiss the children to whatever activities you have prepared fo	or them to do.
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<b>3. TAKING ACTION</b>	: Response Activities (choose from among these activities) 👘 📩 🛨 = short & simple lesson pla	an
Response Activities	Choose one or more activities appropriate for your children, based on classroom developmental needs. Add the Discussion Sheet to any activity for deeper learnin	
Bible Verse Memory Game	Though listed with the opening activities, you may choose to use this Bible verse g instead (or as a repeat).	Jame here
game directions, Appendix B	<ul> <li>Lesson 1 Game: Roll 'n'Toss</li> <li>Lesson 2 Game: Duck, Duck, Goose</li> <li>Lesson 3 Game: Detective Mission Madness Practice</li> <li>Lesson 4 Game: Block Clapping</li> <li>Lesson 5 Game: Meet, Greet and Keep It Up</li> </ul>	Discussion Providential Discussion Questions
Music, Movement & Memory Activity game directions, Appendix B	<ul> <li>A music activity that uses the songs from the Bible Truth and Big Question unit.</li> <li>HSK Songs for Unit, plus:</li> <li>Lesson 1 Activity: Big Voice, Little Voice</li> <li>Lesson 2 Activity: Sing, Dance and Fall Down</li> <li>Lesson 3 Activity: Bottle Shakers</li> <li>Lesson 4 Activity: March 'n' Say</li> </ul>	Unit Discussion Questions for Activities Discussion
Bible Story Review Game	<ul> <li>Lesson 5 Activity: Clap, Tap and Say</li> <li>A game that uses the storyboard pictures from the story to review the story.</li> <li>Lesson 1 Game: Clothespin Line Up and Drop</li> </ul>	Questions Unit Discussion Questions for Activities
game directions, Appendix B	<ul> <li>Lesson 2 Game: Fix Up the Mix Up</li> <li>Lesson 3 Game: Who's in the Basket?</li> <li>Lesson 4 Game: Run to the Grocery Store</li> <li>Lesson 5 Game: Treasure Hunt</li> </ul>	Discussion
Coloring Pages/ Take Home Sheets in Appendix C	A coloring page related to the lesson assignment questions is provided for each lesson. O	
*	jiggly eyes, craft sand, glitter, glitter glue, colored paper dots (made with a hole punch), fabric scraps cut-to-size glued-on clothes, hair, etc for characters by using a copy of the coloring sheet, cutting out to portions and making them the patterns for whatever you want to cut out of fabric, paper, foil, etc. • Lesson 1 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: Bible Truth • Lesson 2 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: Bible Verse • Lesson 3 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: Bible Truth • Lesson 4 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: ACTS Prayer • Lesson 5 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: The Gospel	
Extra Crafts:	These crafts are slightly more complex than the coloring sheets:	Unit
<b>Big Question</b> Craft in Appendix C	The Big Question Craft is a color, glue and stick craft of the Big Question and Answer.Use the Discussion Sheet with these deeper learning	Discussion Questions for Activities
<b>Bible Verse Craft</b> in Appendix C	<b>The Bible Verse Craft</b> is a craft that gives the Bible verse and explains it, also involving gluing and sticking and a few other, simple craft supplies.	Discussion Questions
<b>Bible Story Puzzle</b> in Appendix C	The <b>Storyboard Picture Placement Page</b> has been made into a puzzle that can be cut out and re-assembled by the children. This provides a nice summary of the story.	
Free Play Activities ideas in Appendix D	Offer your own or some of the easy-to-make, free play activities suggested in App	endix D.

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4. CLOSING CIRCLE	TIME (End-of-session activities for the last 5-10 minutes of class time)	\star = short & simple lesson plan
Transition to Closing Circle	Use this song to help the children transition in an orderly f children to gather with you for Closing Circle Time.	fashion. Sing the song, then ask the
Classroom Song, verse 3 lyrics and sheet music,	<b>Classroom Song, verse 3</b> It's time to get ready to go and tell, It's time to get ready to go and tell,	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 3
Appendix A	Come gather here with me.	
<b>Closing Circle Time</b>	<i>When children are settled in the circle, say:</i> "It is almost time for your parents to come pick you up. A	nd do you know what that means?
Classroom Song, verse 4	It means (draw this out to build anticipation and exc go home andit's almost time toGo and Tell! We ha God today. God wants us to take and tell it to the whole	itement)that it's almost time to ave learned some big news about
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A		
	<b>Classroom Song, verse 4</b> So what's our big news to go and tell, So what's our big news to go and tell, Can you tell me now?	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 4
Big News to Tell	"Let's seethere's so much big news to tell! There's so mu	uch we've learned!
Big Question 15 VISUAL AID	Can you tell me the answer to our <b>Big Question: "Why I</b> (Show them the Big Question and Answer picture.)	Do God's People Go to Church?"
<b>#1</b> *found in the HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV Book	Say the answer with me: <b>"To Worship God and Love One Another!"</b>	
	(If desired, you can sing the Big Q & A Song.)	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 12
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A		
Big Question 15 Bible Verse	"And how do I know this is true? Can you tell me?	
VISUAL AID	Say it with me: <b>"The Bible tells me so!"</b>	
#2	That's right!	
*found in the HSK Vol. 4 Visual Aids, NIV Book	We learned: <b>Hebrews 10:24-25:</b> "Let us consider how we may spur one another on towar give up meeting together." (Show them the Bible Verse picture.)	d love and good deeds. Let us not
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	The Bible tells us that it is so important that God's people time to worship God and love one another!	gather together. It is such a special
	(If desired, you can sing the Bible verse song.)	HSK NIV Songs 15, track 14
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4. CLOSING CIRCLE	<b>TIME, continued</b> $\Rightarrow$ = short & simple lesson plan	
Closing ACTS Prayer Time	Let's ask God to help us to remember this and even tell others this good news. Let's get ready ar pray our ACTS prayer.	
ACTS Prayer Chant	And what does ACTS mean? Let's sing/say our ACTS Prayer Chant!	
lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A	ACTS Prayer Chant SongHSK NIV Songs 15, tracks 10, 2A, Adoration: God, we praise You!That's the ACTS prayer, my friend,C, Confession: Forgive us our sins.That's the ACTS prayer, my friend,T, Thanksgiving,: Thank You for Jesus,Bow head, Close your eyes, Shhh,S, Supplication: Help us to live like Him.Let's begin!	
Closing ACTS Prayer	"Let's pray!"	
·	Lead the children in the ACTS prayer for this unit.	
	<b>A</b> We praise You, God, for being the mighty Savior of your peoplethe Church.	
	<b>C</b> God, we confess that too many times we don't want to go to church to worship You o love others. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!	
	T Thank You, God, for all the people who help us to worship You and love one other whe we gather together. Thank You for saving millions and millions of people and makin them part of Your people, the Church.	
	<b>S</b> God, work in our hearts. Help us become Your people, by turning away from our sir and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to worship You and love others when w gather together. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.	
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5. TAKING IT HOME	(Take Home Sheet)	
Clean up and Dismissal	"Now it's time to work together and clean up." Have the children join you in cleaning up the room.	
Coloring Pages/ Take Home Sheets		
in Appendix C	(Reminder: The back side of the coloring page is the take home sheet for each lesson.)	
Bible Story to Take-Home in Appendix C	You may also want to include a copy of the story along with the take home sheet. (Howeve each coloring sheet/take home sheet includes a note to parents telling them where the can download the story from the Parent Resources section on the website.	

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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 storyboard pictures, if using. (Included in Visual Aids book)

3. Practice telling story with the pictures, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary to fit your allotted time.

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.

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 People Who Loved A Lot. 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:**

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

1. Who were the people who loved a lot? Who was it that they loved this way?

2. How did they show their love?

# **Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:**

Our Bible verse is Hebrews 10:24-25: "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together."

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

1. To neglect something means to not do it as much as you should. Who didn't neglect to meet together on the special worship day?

2. On what day did they meet together? What good things did they help each other do?

# **Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:**

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

They are: a soldier; a gathering place; a Bible; and a jar of food.

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 three pictures belong in the story and which one does not?
- 2. How were the other three things important in our story?

# **Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:**

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

1. What did the people in the story thank God for?

2. What did they ask God to help them do?

# **Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:**

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

1. What did Jesus do for the people?

2. What is the good news that they believed?

# Read the questions, THEN SAY,

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

# **Big Question 15 Bible Story**

# "The Case of the People Who Loved a Lot" Acts 2

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

# Walk, walk, walk! Walk, walk, walk! Look at all the people walking!

Can you walk in place?

# One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight... and so many, many more. More than I can count!

How high can you count? Up to ten....twenty...a hundred...a thousand? There were more than even that many people walking to the same place that day!

# Who are these people? Where are they going?

Who do you think these people are? Where do you think they are going?

These are God's people, the people who love Jesus. They are gathering together as a church.

The Temple was a special place where God's people gathered long ago when Jesus lived on earth. Where do God's people gather today? In churches...just like the one we are right now!

Let's see what they are doing...

They're gathering together to worship the LORD God. They are singing to God together: "Praise God! Praise God! He is so good and so great! He loves us so much!"

Let's say, "Praise God" too!

And they are praying to God together, "God, forgive our sins. Thank you for sending Jesus. Help us live like Him by loving You and loving others."

What do we do when we pray? Fold our hands, bow our heads, close our eyes and pray!

They are listening to teaching from Bible, God's Word, together. They want to know more about God and how to love Him and each other.

Where is your Bible? Can you point to it?

They are remembering Jesus died to save them and praising God: "Praise God for Jesus! Praise God for Jesus!" Jesus!" they say. "He has saved us! He is bringing us to God!"

That's what God's people do when they gather together. They worship God for all the wonderful things He has done for them.

But that's not all God's people do when they gather together. They also gather together to love one another.

They are take care of each other and make sure everyone has everything they need. They share with each other--their money and everything else.

What's something God has given us that we can share with others?

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

# They comfort each other when they have sickness or sadness.

Can you show me your sad face?

They are happy when good things happen to each other and celebrate together.

Cheer!

They pray for each other.

They help each other love God more and live for Him. They help each other love one another, too. They help each other learn God's Word and live it out.

And Who is working inside their heart, helping them to worship God and love one another like this? God's Holy Spirit! He is doing beautiful things inside of them, changing them to be like Jesus.

Put your hand over your heart.

Week after week, God's people gather together on Sunday, their special worship day. That's the day Jesus rose from the dead. They love to remember how He beat sin and death for them!

Some people might stay in bed on that day, but not God's people! Nope! They get up and go walk, walk, walking to gather together at the worship place. It's time to gather together! It's time to worship God and love one another.

Pretend like you are sleeping in bed and get up!

And some people might keep on working on the special worship day, but not God's people! Nope! They set their work aside and walking to gather together at the worship place. How they want to worship God and love one another!

Other people watch God's people. What do they think? What do they say?

They say: "Look at God's people as they gather together. See how much they love Jesus! See how they worship Him! See how much they love each other! It is amazing how these people worship God and love one another. I want to know about Jesus, too!" they exclaim.

"Come gather together with us," God's people invite them. "Come worship God with us! Come let us love you. Come hear the gospel--the wonderful good news of Jesus."

"Jesus died on the cross for people who disobey God, like you and me. He paid for our sins with His perfect life. He rose from the dead to show He beat sin and death. He did all of this so we could be forgiven by God and live happily with Him forever! That's the gospel! Turn from your sins and trust in Jesus as your Savior. This is how you can become one of God's people, too!" God's people tell them.

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Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)		
<ul> <li>It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.</li> <li>Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:</li> <li>As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:</li> <li>1. Who were the people who loved a lot? Who was it that they loved this way? God's peoplethe people who love Jesus were the people who loved a lot. They loved everyone, but especially God and each other.</li> <li>2. How did they show their love? By gathering together to worship God and love one another. By praising God and learning to live His way. And, by caring for each other.</li> <li>For You and Me:</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2. How were the other three things important in our story? God's people gathered together at the God's Temple-Church to worship God and love one another. They learned from God's Word, the Bible. They cared for each other's needs. They made sure everyone had enough food to eat.</li> <li>For You and Me: God wants us to meet together with His people on the special worship day, too. He wants us to learn from God's Word, the Bible, to pray to Him, and to care for each other's needs. God wants us to be His people and we can be, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.</li> </ul>	
We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He will make us His people. He will help us to gather together with God's people. He will help us to worship Him and love each other. Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:	<b>Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:</b> As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out: <b>1. What did the people in the story thank God for?</b> God's people remembered how Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead to save them. How they thanked God for giving them a Savior so they could	
Our Bible verse is Hebrews 10:24-25: "Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together." As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:	become His people! 2. What did they ask God to help them do? God's people asked God to help them live for Him and love one another.	
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<ul> <li>Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:</li> <li>I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story.</li> <li>They are: a soldier; a gathering place; a Bible; and a jar of food.</li> <li>1. Which of the three pictures belong in the story and which one does not? The soldier does not.</li> </ul>	dearly loved people for ever! <b>For You and Me:</b> Jesus can be our Savior, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. We can be God's dearly loved people, too. And by His Holy Spirit, He can help us to worship God and love one another, just like He helped those people who lived long ago.	

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The	e Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)	
Wh	r Bible Truth is: by Do God's People Go to Church? Worship God and Love One Another!	
Jes pui	en God's people go to church, they praise God for us. Why? Because Jesus has saved them from the hishment they deserved for disobeying God. Oh, w wonderful Jesus is to be their Savior!	
des for awa	a and me, we have disobeyed God, too and we serve God's punishment, too! But we can praise God Jesus, too. Do you know why? Because if we turn ay from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as OUR rior, He will forgive us and save us, too!	
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Jes	's thank God and praise God right now for sending us to save us! Let's ask Him to help us to turn away m our sins and trust in Jesus as our own Savior.	
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Clo	sing Unit 15 ACTS Prayer	
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C	God, we confess that too many times we don't want to go to church to worship You or love others. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!	
т	Thank You, God, for all the people who help us to worship You and love one other when we gather together. Thank You for saving millions and millions of people and making them part of Your people, the Church.	
S	God, work in our hearts. Help us become Your people, by turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to worship You and love others when we gather together. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.	
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Unit 15 Hide 'N' Seek Discussion Sheet	use with all FIVE lessons	Use with all response activities	<u>λ</u> Ρ.Ι
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Questions to aid discussion of the key concepts and for use in games

Be familiar with these questions and answers. Look for opportunities to ask questions and talk about their answers, such as while the children work on their coloring pages, as part of their games, or during play time. Remember: your goal isn't to ask all these questions or to only talk to the children about these things. It is to be deliberate in having good conversations with them, as natural opportunities arise.

<b>BIG QUESTION</b>	Why Do God's People Go to Church? To Worship God and Love One Another!
Meaning	A church is God's people gathering together. Some churches meet in special buildings. Some churches meet in homes. Some meet outside. No matter where they meet, when God's people gather together, they are a church. When God's people gather together as a church, they worship God. They worship Him for being the one, true God, who is not like anyone else. They worship Him for saving them through Jesus. They sing songs and pray to God. They listen to the Bible and learn how to obey it. God's people also gather together to love one another. They talk with each other, take care of each other, and pray for each other. The Bible tells us that God's people are to meet together often. Usually, this is on Sundays, the day that Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus promised that when God's people gather together, He will be there with them in a special way.
Discussion Questions	<ul> <li>choose a few</li> <li>1. Why do God's people go to church? To worship God and love one another.</li> <li>2. What is the name of God's people meeting together? A church.</li> <li>3. Where do churches meet? Sometimes in buildings, sometimes in homes, sometimes outside.</li> <li>4. Who do God's people worship when they meet together? God.</li> <li>5. What kinds of things do they worship about God? He is the one, true God. He is their Savior.</li> <li>6. What kinds of things do they do when they meet together? Sing and pray; listen to the Bible and learn how to obey it; love each other.</li> <li>7. Who promises to be with God's people in a special way when they gather together? Jesus.</li> </ul>
THE GOSPEL	We can become one of God's people when we believe the good news of Jesusthe gospel! Can you tell me what it is? The LORD is the one, true God. We should all obey Him. But, we all say "no" to God and we deserve God's punishment! How sad! But, oh, how kind is the LORD! He sent His Son, Jesus, to save us! Jesus lived a perfect life. Then, He offered it up as the full payment for our sins when He suffered and died on the cross. Jesus didn't stay dead. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He had beaten sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. If we do, we will get to know God in our hearts, now. And one day, we will go to live with God forever. Ask God to help you trust in Jesus. He loves to answer this prayer.

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