DEEP DOWN DESTECTIVES

Simple Story Scenes
Unit 9,
Bible Truth 2

Using Simple Story Scenes as a Curriculum

Introduce the Key Concept and Bible Verse

Simple Story Scenes give you the basics for the core of your lesson. You can use the overview sheet to introduce and explain the key concept and Bible verse.

Give the Case Assignment

Give the children a Detective Dan listening assignment. Two are provided. You can add a third using the ideas on the bonus, third take-home sheet, if desired. Each listening assignment, let's you teach the story with a different learning emphasis.

Show & Tell the Story

Hold up the pictures and tell the story from the story scenes. Alternatively, you can find in the and Pieces section for this unit at praisefactory.org, these same listening assignments and story scenes, gospel and ACTS prayer modified for view on a screen. Simply download them or open them online and show through your own monitor (tablet, big screen, whatever).

Solve the Case

Repeat Detective Dan's listening assignment question and discuss the answer.

Share the Gospel

Share the gospel tie-in with the kids.

Close in ACTS Prayer

Pray the ACTS prayer with the kids. If using the curriculum with older children, give them a chance to think up their own ACTS tie-ins to the story, using the one provided as cues/ideas for you.

Review Time

Give out the take-home sheet (there are three: two that correlates to the two Detective Dan assignments in the Story Scenes, and a bonus third one.) As the children are coloring, use the take-home sheet discussion questions or your own questions to further review and apply the key concepts, Bible verse, and story truths to the children.

Looking for more?

Online, in the Bits and Pieces section for this unit, you will find review games, crafts, storyboard flannelgraph figures, and audio and sheet music for all of the songs. There are also full lesson plans that offer more of a script and take this curriculum's possibilities to much more depth. Don't forget to tell the parents about the Parents Resources section where they can read through the Story scenes and download take homes with their kids.

Big Question 9, Bible Truth 2 Overview: Key Concepts

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Unit 9: Jesus, Immanuel, God with Us

Unit Big Question (and Answer): What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!

Unit Bible Verse: "Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God." 1 Peter 3:18, ESV

Bible Truth 2 Concept: Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Never, Ever Disobeyed God

Jesus never, ever sinned. He always obeyed God, His Father. But even though Jesus always never disobeyed God, there were many times when He was tempted to. The Bible tells us that Jesus was tempted in every way just like us; but unlike us, Jesus never gave in and sinned. In everything He thought and said and did, Jesus always kept on obeying God. And He did this His whole life! Wow! Jesus was absolutely perfect!

Perhaps Jesus' greatest temptation came the night before He died on the cross. Jesus knew that it would hurt so badly to suffer for the sins of God's people. But Jesus loved God, His Father, and us so much! He would NOT turn away from His Father's good plan. He would suffer and die in the place of God's people so they could be forgiven.

And it is so very good for us that Jesus did not sin and that He did choose to die for us. Only if He lived a perfect life could He give it up on the cross as the full payment for the sins of God's people. He was the only hope for our sins to be forgiven by God. He was the only way we could become God's people. You can be one of God's people, too, if you turn away from your sins and trust in Jesus as your Savior.

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse: Hebrews 4:15

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

Learn a Little: "[Jesus] has been tempted in every way, just as we are - yet was without sin."

Meaning

Do you know what tempted means? It means thinking about doing something that God says is wrong. Our Bible verse tells us Jesus was tempted in every way, just like we are! But what made Jesus different? He always said "no" to tempting things. He never disobeyed God! Jesus was perfect. He was without sin!

Bible Truth 2 ACTS Prayer

- A Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God. We praise You for always saying 'no' to sin. You are the perfect One who never, ever sinned!
- C Jesus, You never disobeyed God, Your Father, but we are not like You. We have all chosen to disobey God and His good ways. Oh, how we need You to be our Savior!
- **T** Thank You, Jesus, for living a perfect life. Thank You for offering it up as the full payment for the sins of all who turn from their sins and trust in You as their Savior.
- **S** Jesus, help us each to turn away from our sins and trust in You as our very own Savior. Help us to say 'no' to disobeying God. Help us to love You and live for You more and more. In Jesus' name, we pray, Amen.

Bible Truth 2 Story

The Case of the Man Who Never Said "No" The Gospels; Hebrews 4

Songs Used in Bible Truth 2

Big Q & A 9 Song

Big Question 9 Song: What Did Jesus Come to Do?

Big Question 9 Bible Verse Song: Christ Once Suffered for Sins 1 Peter 3:18, ESV

Extra Big Question 9 Bible Verse Song: For Christ Suffered Once for Sin

Extra Big Question 9 Bible Verse Song: For God So Loved the World John 3:16, ESV

Big Question 9 Hymn: To God Be the Glory, v.1 Big Question 9 Praise Song: Blessed Be the Name

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse: Jesus Has Been Tempted Hebrews 4:15, ESV

Bible Truth 2 Extra Bible Verse: We Have a Great High Priest: Hebrews 4:14-15, NIV 1984

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



The Big Question

Hold up the Big Question sign for all the children to see, and say:

The Big Question we are investigating today is Big Question Number 9:

What Did Jesus Come to Do? and the Answer is:

Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!

Meaning:

In the beginning, God created the world perfect. What a wonderful, special closeness people enjoyed with Him! Yes, it was "Perfect Wonderfulness" knowing God and living in His world. It could have stayed that way forever... but it did not. All of this perfection was broken when people disobeyed God. The big Bible word for disobeying God is "sin."

When we look around us we can see the sadness that sin brought into God's good world. So much in this world is not perfect or wonderful anymore! We've lost the special closeness with God, too. Yes, when sin came into the world, it spoiled so many things.

But would all this sin and sadness last forever? People certainly deserved for it to. After all, they had turned away from God. Now people deserved His punishment, not His love.

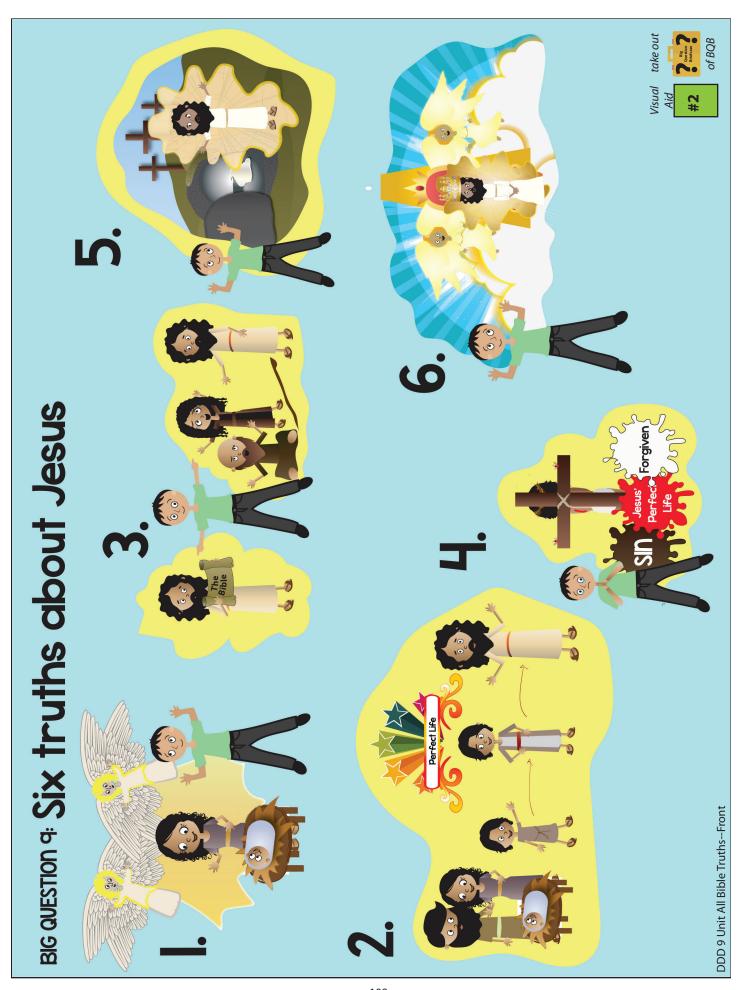
But God treats us so much better than we deserve! From the beginning, He had an amazing plan to bring sinful people like us back to Himself. How? He promised to send a Savior. That Savior was Jesus, God's own Son. Jesus lived a perfect life, then He gave it up as the full payment for sins as He suffered and died on the cross. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead, showing He had really done it--He had beaten sin and death for God's people! We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, we will get to know God in our hearts; and one day, we will get to go live with God and enjoy all of His Perfect Wonderfulness forever!

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

Big Q & A 9 Song

DDD ESV Songs 9, track 12 (adapted version of "This Old Man")

What did Jesus come to do?
What did Jesus come to do?
Jesus came to bring us to God.
That's what Jesus came to do!



This Unit's Bible Truths

"Jesus Came to Bring Us to God" 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 SIX Bible truths that all tell us more about Jesus.

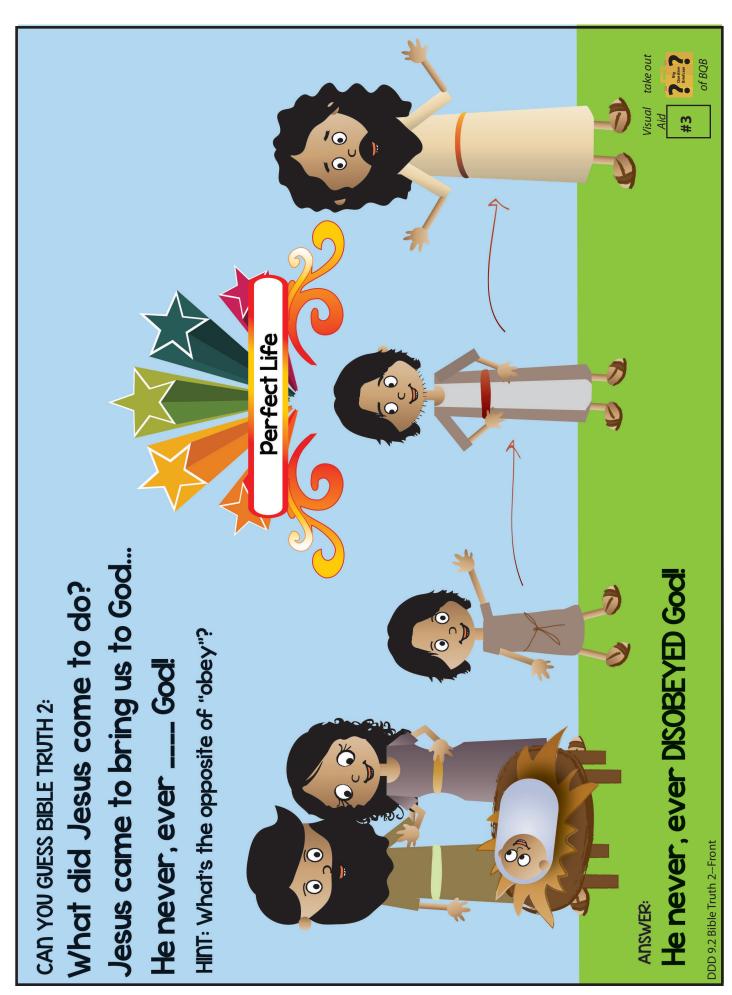
Who would like to hand me the picture with our six Bible truths on it? It's in the Big Question Box/Briefcase."

Choose a child to get it and hand it to you, then hold it up and show them the pictures of the six truths they will be learning.

After everyone has had a good look, say...

"Ok, we've learned one truth about what Jesus. It's this one: "He Left His Home in Heaven to Save Us" (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 six truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue sign and hand it to you. Hold up the front side for the children to see.



Revealing the Bible Truth We Are Learning

Hold up the front side for the children to see. Cover up the answer, written along the bottom, and say:

"What Did Jesus Come to Do?
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!
He Never, Ever, ???? God!"

We're missing one word. Here's the hint to what the missing word is. It says: "What's the opposite of "obey"?

Can you guess? It's "Disobey."

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

(uncover answer from bottom of sign, show it to them and say:)

"What Did Jesus Come to Do?
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!
He Never, Ever, Disobeyed God!"

And here is what this Bible Truth means: (read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:)

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And it is so very good for us that Jesus did not sin and He did choose to die for us. Only if He lived a perfect life could He give it up on the cross as the full payment for the sins of God's people. He was the only hope for our sins to be forgiven by God. He was the only way we could become God's people. You can be one of God's people, too, if you turn away from your sins and trust in Jesus as your Savior.



Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse

Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:

John 6:38 tells us:

Hebrews 4:15

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

Learn a Little: "[Jesus] has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

What does that mean?

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The Bible calls Jesus our great, high priest because He is the one who brought His own life as the perfect payment for our sins. He made the way for us to become God's people. I'm so glad Jesus never disobeyed God! That was the only way He could be our Savior!

"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"

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Jesus Has Been Tempted: Hebrews 4:15

DDD ESV Songs 9, track 23

Jesus has been tempted in every respect,
Jesus has been tempted in every respect,
As we are, as we are,
Yet Jesus was without sin.
Hebrews Chapter Four, fifteen

"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?"

"The Case of the Man Who Never Said 'No'" The Gospels; Hebrews



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #l

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Hebrews 4:15, ESV

- "Jesus has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet was without sin."
- I. Who was tempted in every way as we are but never sinned?
- 2. What could He do for us because He never sinned?

(more listening and discussion questions are included in the curriculum at praisefactory.org)

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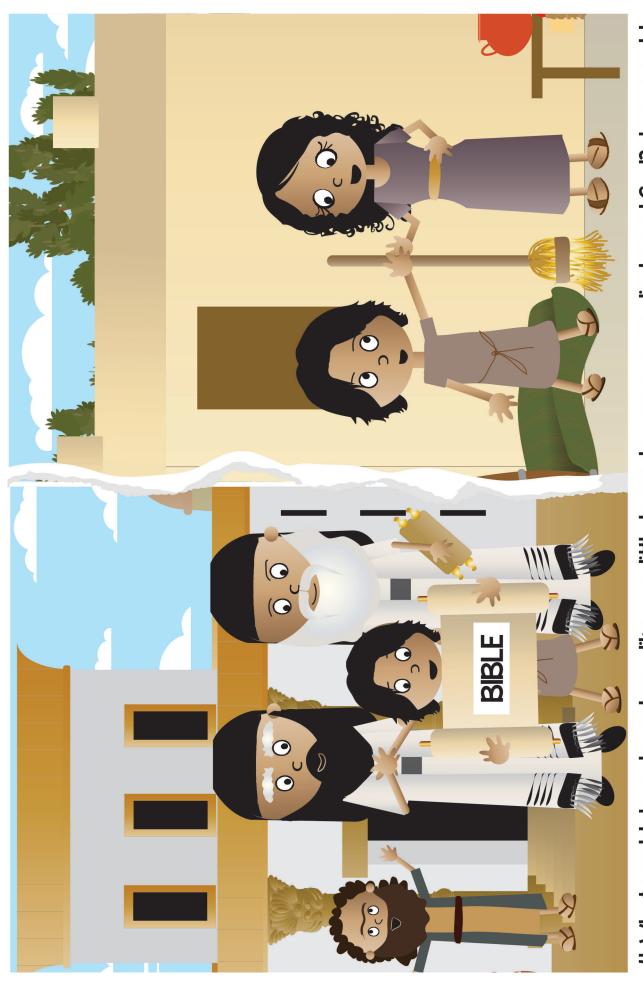
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5. If Joseph asked Jesus to share His favorite toy with another child, Jesus would have always shared cheerfully. And what would them, instead! do something mean to get back at them. He would have forgiven Jesus do if someone did something mean to Him? Jesus would NOT

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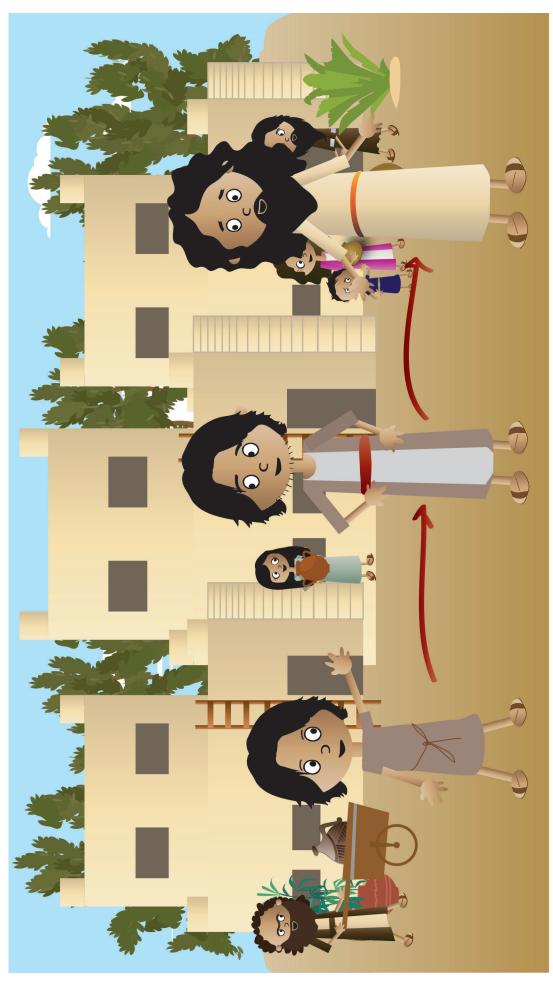
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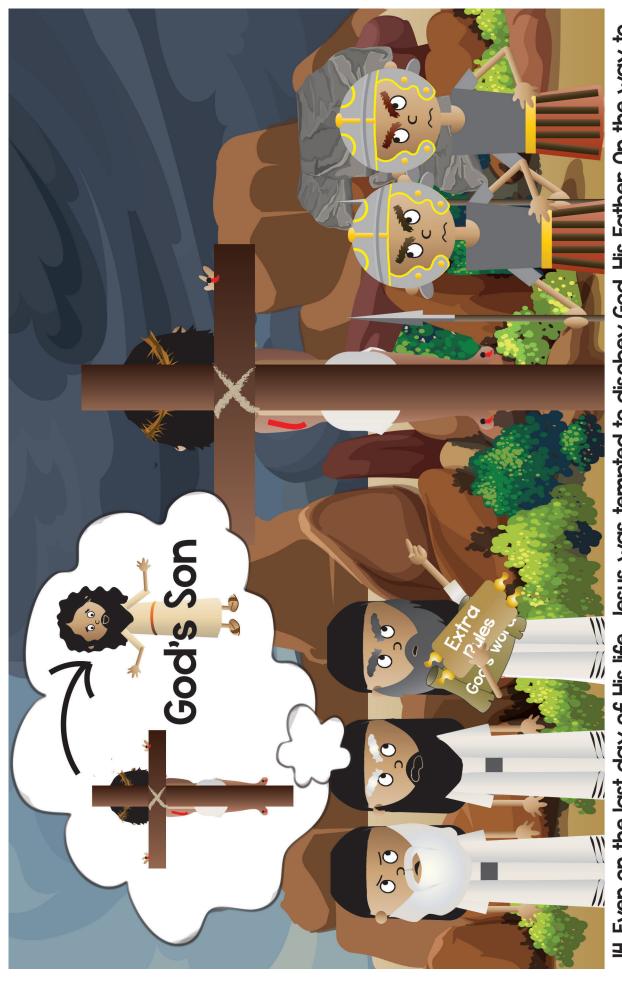
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God, His Father: 14. Even on the last day of His life, Jesus was tempted to disobey

God's Son. Let Him save you! Come down from the cross, if that is the sins of God's people, they made fun of Him. "You say you are On the way to the cross, Jesus' enemies hit Him, spit on Him, and who you really are!" they shouted at Him. called Him bad names. As Jesus hung on the cross, suffering for



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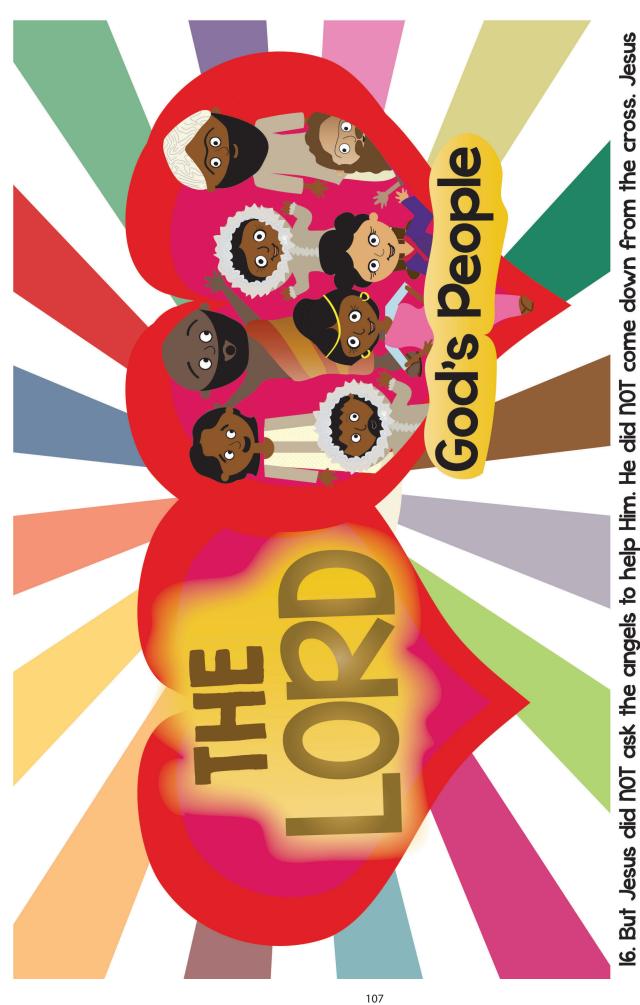
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for their sins. people. He was the PERFECT sacrifice, the PERFECT payment needed of God's people, His PERFECT life could pay for the sins of God's 18. And so, when Jesus suffered and died on the cross for the sins

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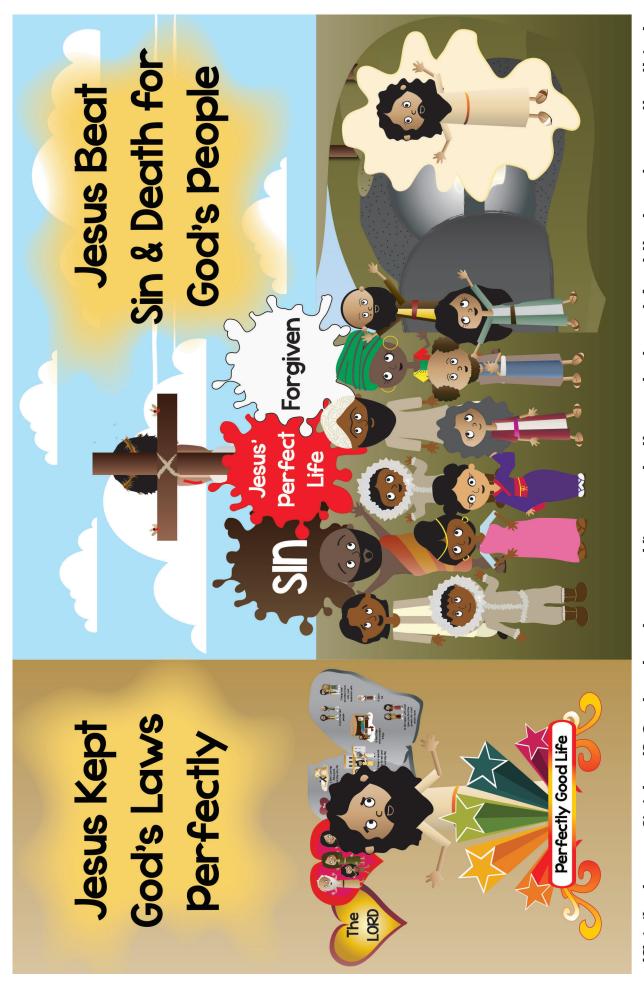


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19. What was finished?

for God's people, once and for all. God's plan to save His people through Jesus! And that's why on the third day, Jesus rose from the dead! He had beaten sin and death

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"The Case of the Man Who Never Said 'No' " The Gospels; Hebrews 4









Hebrews 4:15, ESV

"Jesus has been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet was without sin."

l. Who was tempted in every way as we are but never sinned?

He could be our perfect Savior and save us from our sins. 2. What could He do for us because He never sinned?

For You and Me:

Just like those people who lived in Jesus' day, we need a Savior to save us from our sins. Jesus came to be that Savior. He will be our Savior, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Him. Ask God to nelp you. He loves to do this!

Jesus was the man. He never said "no" to God, His Father. Jesus I. Who was the Man? To whom did He never say "no"? always obeyed Him and His good laws.

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Only by perfectly obeying God and His good laws could Jesus be the perfect Savior needed to save God's people from their sins.

2. Why was it so important that He never said "no"?



A Prayer

A Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God. We praise You for always saying 'no' to sin. You are the perfect One who never, ever sinned!

C Jesus, You never disobeyed God, Your Father, but we are not like You. We have all chosen to disobey God and His good ways. Oh, how we need You to be our Savior! Thank You, Jesus, for living a perfect life. Thank You for offering it up as the full payment for the sins of all who turn from their sins and trust in You as their Savior.

very own Savior. Help us to say 'no' to disobeying God. Help us to love You S Jesus, help us each to turn away from our sins and trust in You as our more and live for You more

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

