

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 16:

What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back? and the Answer is: God Will Make Everything New!

Meaning:

Jesus is coming back one day. What a day it will be! This old world and its ways will come to an end. God will destroy it, and sin and death with it. He will create a new, perfect world for His people to live in with Him forever.

This new world will be a beautiful, happy place where there will never be anything sad or bad in it...ever! God's people will live there with Jesus as their king. Here, they know God in their hearts; but there, they will see Him face-to-face. Think of your favorite thing to do. Life with Jesus will be better than this. Think of your favorite place to be. Life with Jesus in the new world will be better than that! Think of your favorite person to be with. Living with Jesus will be far better than that! There will never be anything better than living with God like this!

What a wonderful day that will be for God's people! What a wonderful day that will be for us, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior!

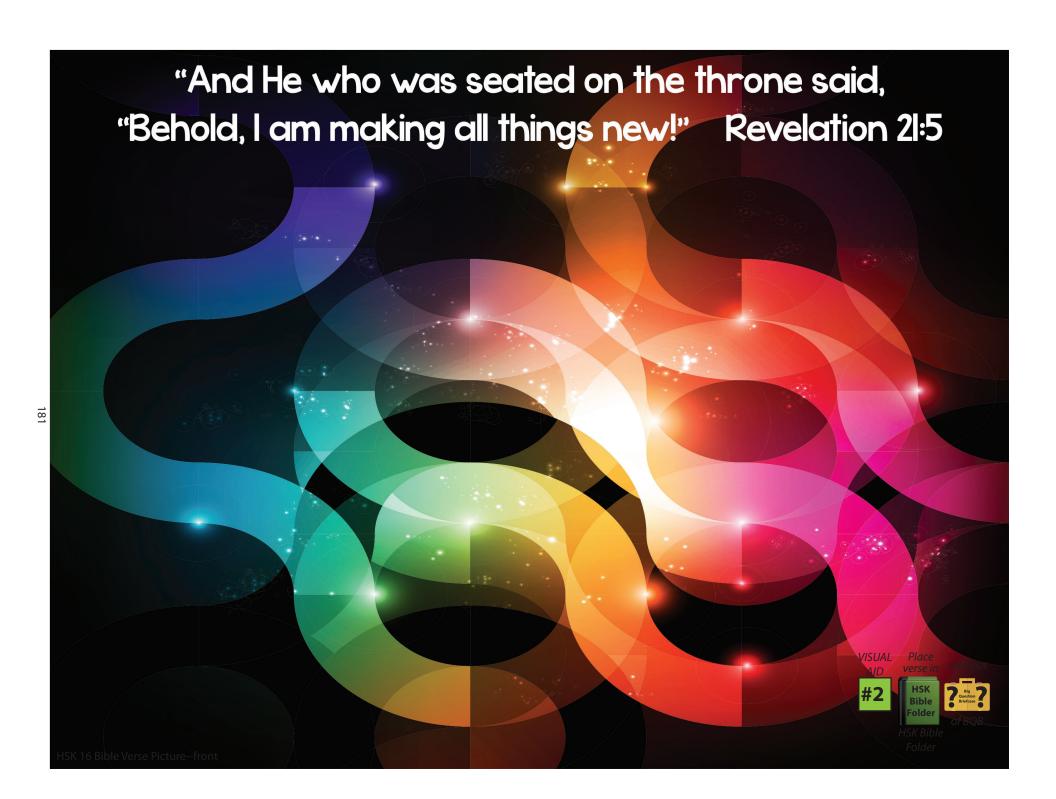
Let's sing our Big Question Song: "

Big Q & A I6 Song

HSK ESV Songs 16, track 12 (Adapted version of "The Bear Went Over the Mountain")

What will happen when Jesus comes back? What will happen when Jesus comes back? What will happen when Jesus comes back? God will make everything new.

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What will happen when Jesus comes back?
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God will make everything new.



Unit 16 Bible Verse

"Who would like to get our Bible verse out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the "Bible" with the Bible Verse in it and hand it to you. Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" (held in place by velcro) and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:

Revelation 21:5, ESV:

"And He who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new!"

Meaning:

A throne is a special seat for a king. Jesus will come back to earth to get rid of sin and death. Everything bad and sad will go away and never come back! Then Jesus will make a brandnew world for God's people to live in with Him forever. How happy it will be for King Jesus to rule over this new world. Everything will be perfect and happy always.

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

And He Who Was Seated: Revelation 21:5,6

HSK ESV Songs 16, track 14,14T

And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, behold, I'm making all things new." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, behold, I'm making all things new."

It is done, I'm the Alpha and Omega, It is done, the Beginning and the End, It is done, I'm the Alpha and Omega, It is done, the Beginning and the End.

And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, behold, I'm making all things new." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, behold, I'm making all things new." Revelation Twenty-one, five and six.

"Now it's time to do a bit more deep down investigating. Let's read Detective Dan wants us to help him figure out. Would someone like to get it out for me?"

"The Case of the Wonderful End" 2 Peter 3



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #l

- I. What sad thing was about to happen to Peter?
- 2. What wonderful ending did he think about?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Revelation 21:5, ESV

- "And He who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new!"
- I. Who is the king on the throne who rules over everything?
- 2. What will this king do to make everything new?

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





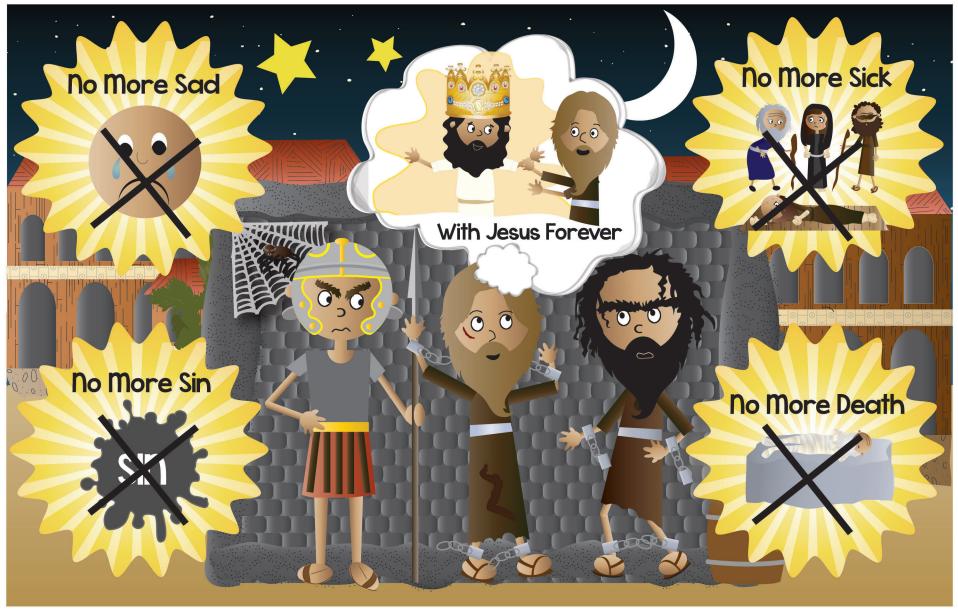
I. Peter was in jail. He was tied up. He hurt. He was in trouble for telling people about Jesus. Soon they would take him to die. It seemed like Peter should be sad; but no, he wasn't! Why? Because Peter wasn't just thinking about hurting and dying. Peter was remembering the good promises that God had made to His people in the Bible, and these made Peter very happy.



2. "God promised that Jesus will come back one day. He will come down from heaven with God's angels," Peter remembered. "Everyone on earth will see Jesus and know He is God's Son. Everyone will worship Him.



3. "God will make everything new! He will make a new heaven and a new earth for His people to live in with Him," Peter remembered. "Jesus will be the Forever King. Sin, sickness, sadness, and dying-- EVERYTHING BAD-- will be gone. None of these bad things will EVER come back again. God's people will live happily with God forever," Peter knew.

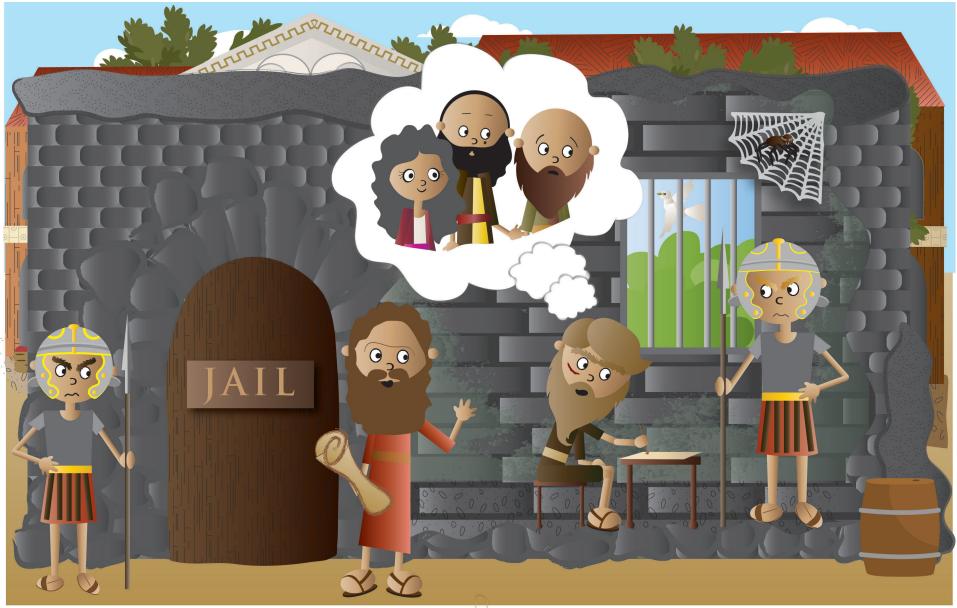


4. Thinking about life with God in the new heaven and earth made Peter happy! It helped him as he sat in that little room, tied up, and soon to die. Peter knew his life on earth was almost over, but the best was yet to come! He would enjoy life with God forever. A brand new, PERFECT life, in a brand new, PERFECT heaven and earth. FOREVER. How wonderful!



5. Peter thought about something else, as he sat in jail. He thought about some other people who loved Jesus, too. They lived in a faraway place. They were getting in trouble and being hurt for telling people about Jesus, just like he was. "Are these people sad or are they still happy?" Peter wondered. "Do they remember the good promises God has made to them?"





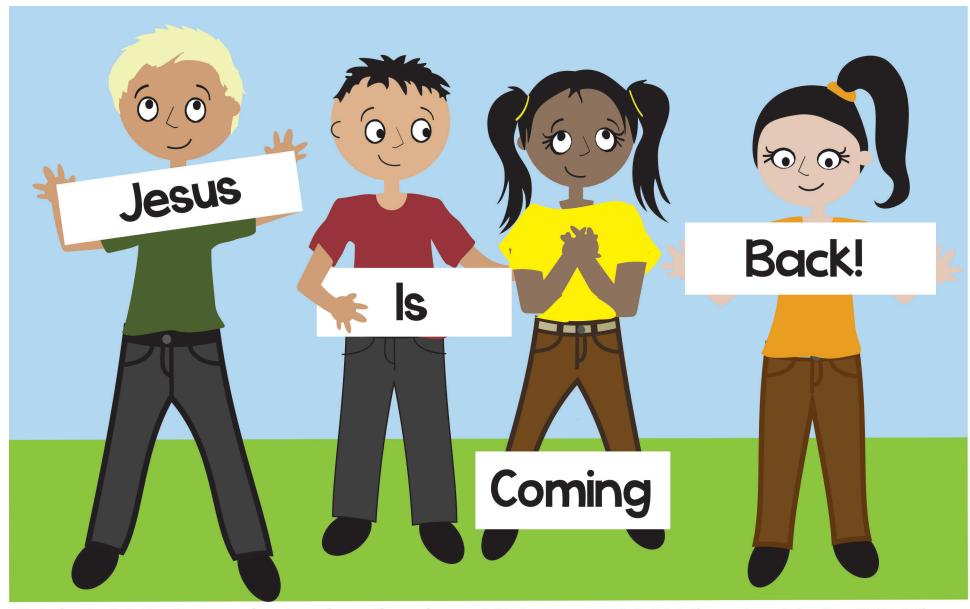
6. "Maybe I should write them a letter before I die," Peter thought. "I can remind them of God's good promises. Maybe that will help them be happy, even though their enemies are hurting them. Yes," decided Peter. "I WILL write them a letter. I will write it RIGHT NOW!" Peter wrote his letter. Then, he gave it to a friend to take to God's people in the faraway place.



7. Walk, walk! Run, run, run, went Peter's friend. At last, he came to the faraway place. He gave the letter to God's people. "Look! Look! It's a letter from Peter!" they exclaimed. "Let's read it!" Everyone gathered around to hear. What did it say?



8. They read Peter's letter out loud: "Dear God's People, I know enemies are hurting you. They are hurting me, too. But don't stop telling people about Jesus! Remember God's promises! Jesus will come back. God will make a new heaven and earth for His people to live in with Him. Jesus will be our Forever King. There will never be sadness again. Come, Jesus, come! Signed, Peter."



9. What did God's people do when they heard Peter's words? Did they trust in God? Did they remember His promises? I don't know, but I hope so. But what I DO know, is that God can use His promises to help US to trust in Jesus as our Savior today. He can use them to help US get ready for the day when Jesus comes back and God makes everything new! Ask Him to help you!

"The Case of the Wonderful End" 2 Peter 3



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #I

I. What sad thing was about to happen to Peter? Peter was about to be killed.

2. What wonderful ending did he think about? Peter thought about going to be with Jesus. He thought about the day when Jesus would come back to this world and make everything new. Then, Jesus will be the Forever King and Peter and all of God's people will one day live happily with Him forever.

For You and Me:

We all have to face death one day. Isn't it wonderful that God can give us the same hope that He gave Peter? We, too, can turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, like Peter did. We, too, can rejoice that the day is coming when we can live with Jesus forever happy in the new world He will make one day. This is His promise to all who turn away from their sins and trust Jesus as their Savior. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Revelation 21:5, ESV

"And He who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new!"

- I. Who is the king on the throne who rules over everything? Jesus
- 2. What will this king do to make everything new? Jesus will return to this world and get rid of all sin and death. This world will go away and God will make a wonderful, new world for His people to live with Him forever.

For You and Me:

Jesus will return one day. He will get rid of sin and death, and make a wonderful, new world for God's people to live in with Him, happy forever.

How can we become God's people, who get to live with Him in the new world that is coming? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to help us do this. Ask Him!

Our Bible Truth is:
What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?
God Will Make Everything New!

made him happy and excited!

Peter thought about Jesus coming back, and that made him happy and excited!

Peter wanted Jesus to come back soon! He was ready.

How did Peter get ready? He knew he had disobeyed God and needed a Savior, He watched Jesus died on the cross for the sins of God's people. He saw Jesus after He rose from the dead on the third day. He knew Jesus beat sin and death for God's people. So, Peter turned away from disobeying God, and asked Jesus to be his Savior. Jesus forgave his sins. He took the punishment Peter deserved for disobeying God! Jesus sent God's Holy Spirit to live in Peter's heart and gave him special closeness with God. That's how Peter became one of God's people.

Like Peter, we can be ready to see Jesus, and live with Him forever. We can ask God to help us turn away from disobeying Him and trust in Jesus as our Savior! Then, God will forgive us our sins. He will send God's Holy Spirit to live in our hearts and give us special closeness with Him. And one day, we, too, will get to go to live with Him forever! And that will be best of all!

A Prayer

- A We praise You, Jesus, that one day You will put an end to sin, sickness, sadness, and death, forever.
- C God, we confess that we often disobey You and Your good laws. Please forgive us. How we need a Savior!
- T Thank You, Jesus, for promising to get rid of all the sad and bad things in this world, and to make everything new and forever happy for God's people.
- S God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust Jesus as our Savior. Help us to become Your people. We want to be with You and Your people in the beautiful, new world You are going to make. Help us to be ready. Come back soon, Jesus!

