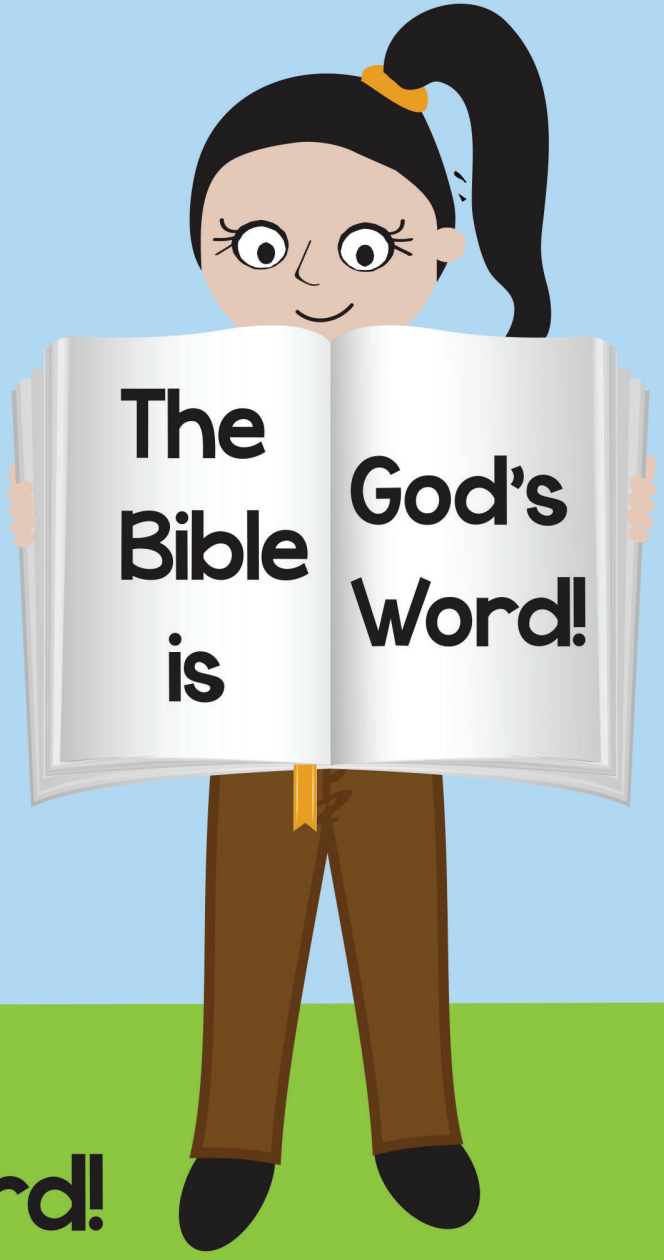
What's so special about the Bible?



ANSWER:

It alone is God's Word!

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 2:

What's So Special about the Bible?
and the Answer is:
It Alone Is God's Word!

Meaning:
There are millions of books in the world, but none is like the Bible. It alone is God's perfect Word! God made sure it was written down just right. It tells us everything we need to know God and how to live for Him. It is powerful to do everything God wants it to do. Everything else in this world may come and go, but God's Word will last forever. It will always prove true.

Let's sing our Big Question Song: "

Big Q & A 2 Song

HSK NIV Songs 2, track 12
(adapted version of "Three, Blind Mice")

What's so special about the Bible?
It alone is God's Word!
It alone is God's Word!
It's always true,
It can make you wise,
It can work pow'rf'ly in your life.
It alone is God's Word!
It alone is God's Word!

"As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!" Psalm 18:30,46

HSK 2 Bible Verse Picture--front

Unit 2 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:

Psalm 18:30,46
"As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!"

Meaning:
The LORD is like no one else. He is the one, true God. Everything He does is absolutely perfect! Everything God says is perfect, too. It is flawless. Flawless is a big word that means perfect--without even a single mistake. No, not one! God always tells us what is right and true. His Word always proves true!

Where can we read God's Word? In the Bible! It alone is God's Word. That's why we take time each day to learn from the Bible. We want to hear from God--all the wonderful things about Him; what He has done for us through Jesus, His Son; and, what good things are in store for those who love Him and live for Him. Oh, how we want to praise the LORD when we read His Word! He is the living God. He is our Savior!

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

As For God, His Way Is Perfect: Psalm 18:30

HSK NIV Songs 2, track 14

As for God, His way is perfect,
The word of the LORD is flawless,
As for God, His way is perfect,
The word of the LORD is flawless,
Psalm Eighteen, thirty.

"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 Women's Best Gift" I Timothy

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who are the women in our story?

2. What was their best gift and who did they give it to?

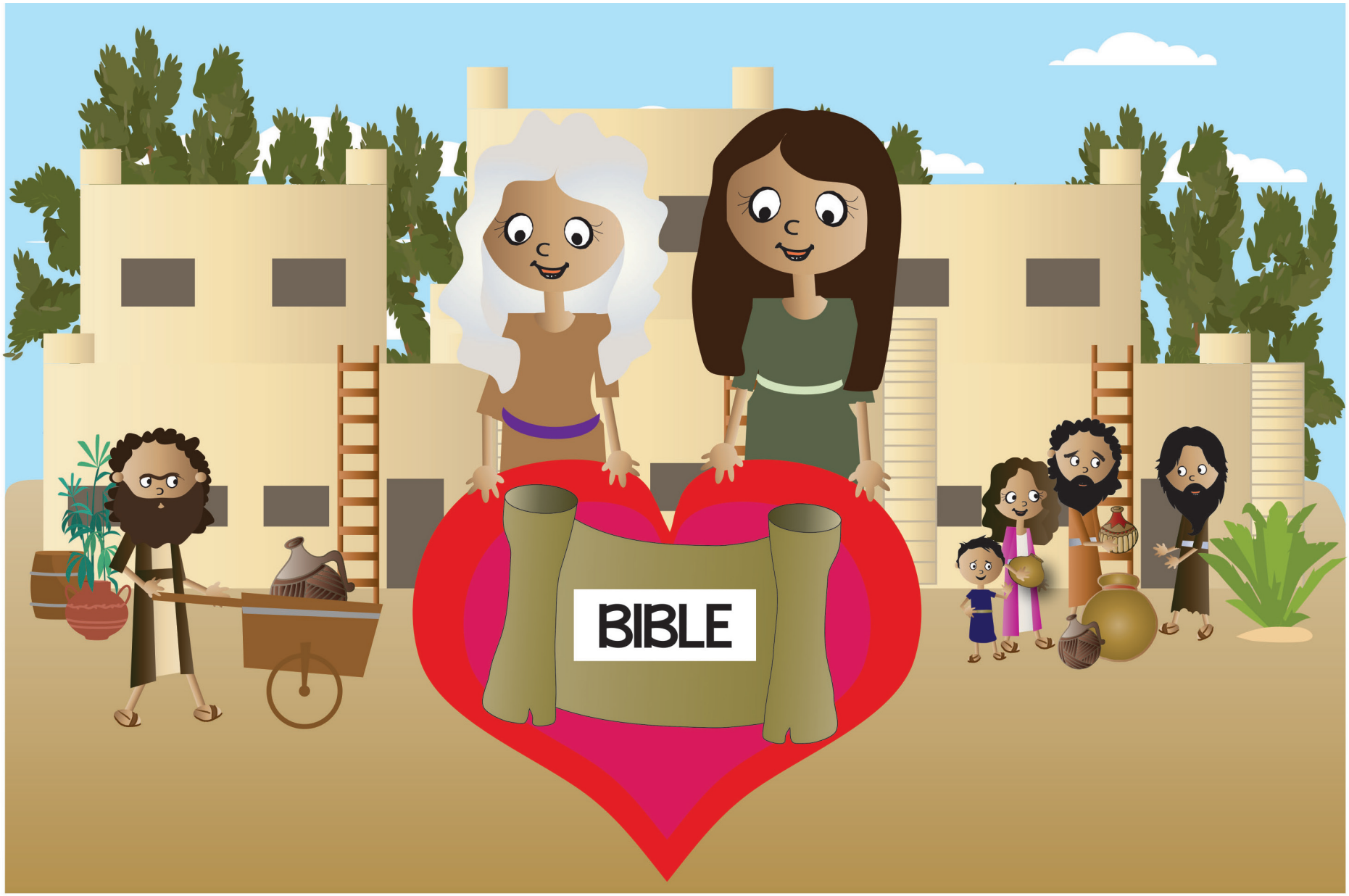
Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalm 18:30,46, NIV:
"As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!"

1. Who in our story knew that God and His Word were perfect?

2. Who did they teach God's Word to?

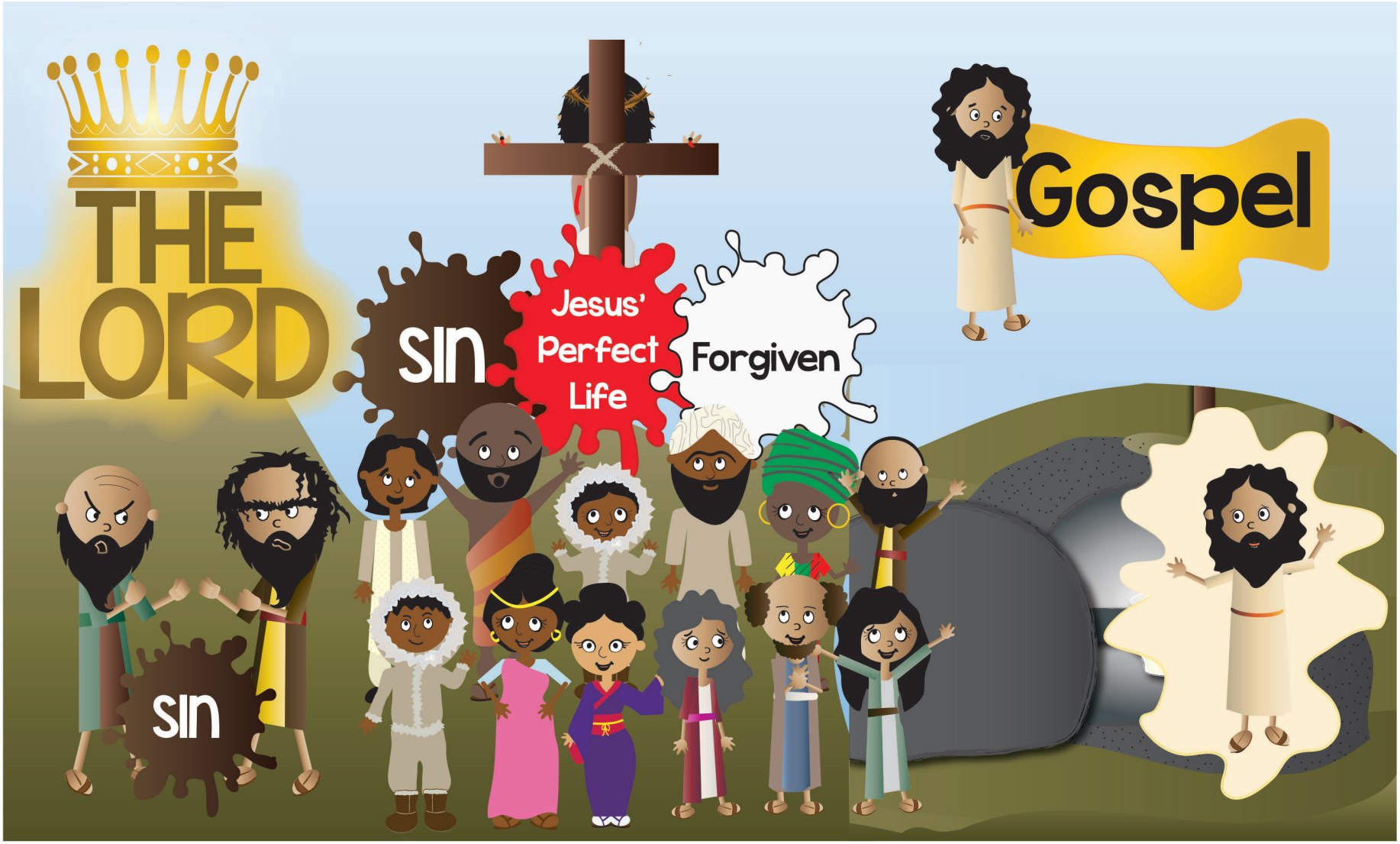
(more listening and discussion questions are included in the curriculum at praisefactory.org)



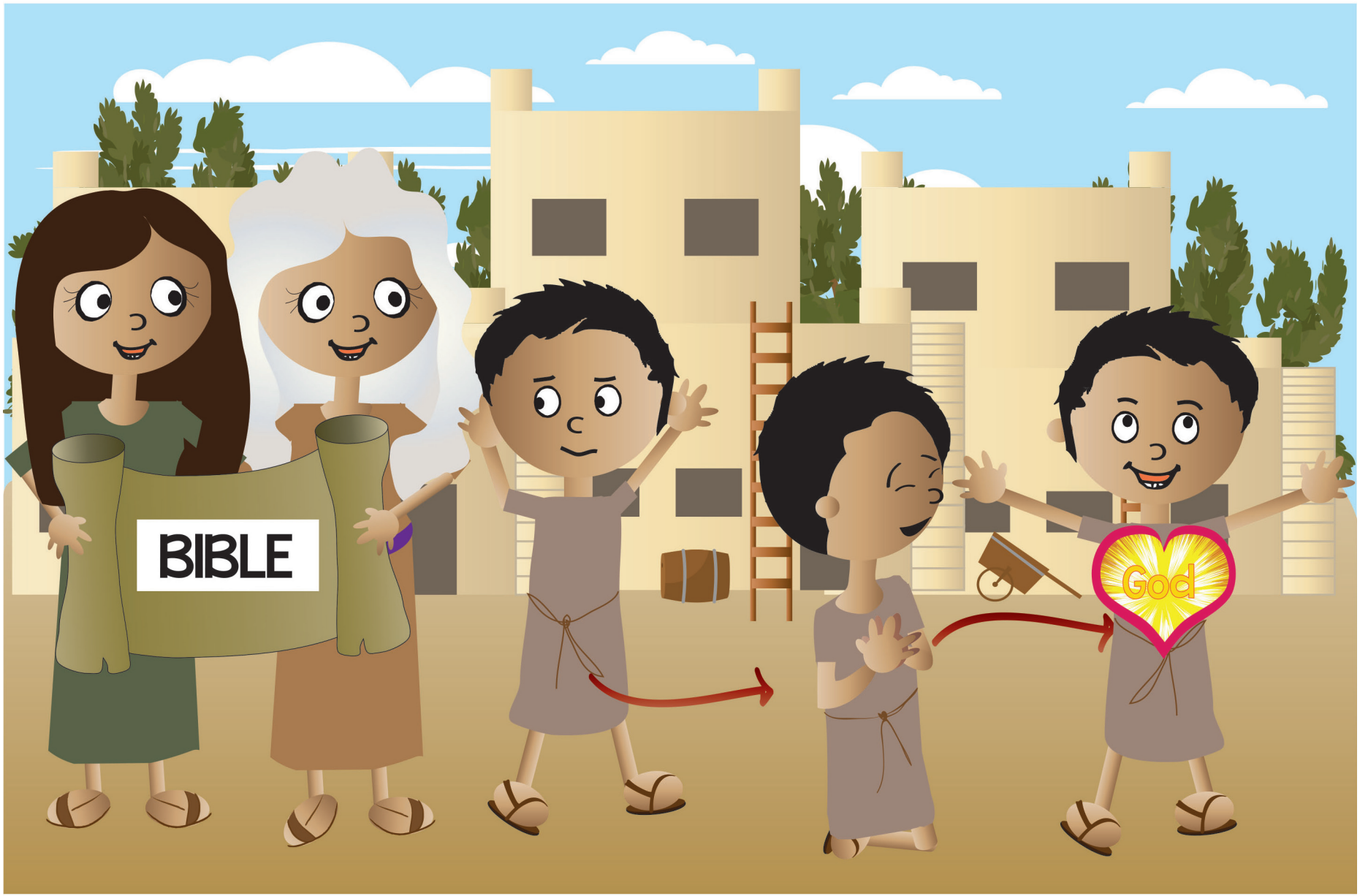
I. Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice loved the Bible. The Bible told them about God. It worked in their hearts. It helped them know God and live for Him! They knew there was NO BOOK like the Bible! It alone was God's Word! It was always true.

2. Mother Eunice had a little boy named Timothy. Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice loved Timothy and took good care of him. They gave him good things, like food, clothes, a bed, and even chores to do.

3. Most of all, Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice wanted Timothy to know and love God. They wanted Timothy to turn away from his sins and trust in Jesus as his Savior. So, they taught Timothy about God and the good news of Jesus from the the book like NONE OTHER--the Bible!



4. From the Bible, Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice taught Timothy: "Long ago, God created the whole world. God gave us His good laws to live by, but we have all chosen to disobey them. We need a Savior to save us from our sins. God sent that Savior--it's Jesus! Timothy, we hope you will ask Jesus to forgive your sins. We hope you will trust in Him as your Savior, and live your life for Him. There's nothing better than knowing God and living for Him," they told him.



5. As Timothy listened to God's Word, God worked in his heart. Timothy turned away from his sins and trusted in Jesus as his Savior. And that was just the beginning. Timothy kept on learning God's Word, and as he did, he grew to know and love God more and more.

6. Timothy, the little boy, grew up and up and up until he become Timothy, the man. Now, he had a heart full of love for God, His Word, and His people.

7. A grown-up man needs a grown-up job. God gave Timothy the job of being a pastor to God's people. He taught them God's Word. He wanted to help them love God and live for Him, too.

8. Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice were so happy! Not only did Timothy love God, His Word, and His people, but now God was using Timothy to teach God's Word to others, too.

"The Case of the Women's Best Gift" I Timothy

SOLVED

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who are the women in our story?
Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice.

2. What was their best gift and who did they give it to?
Their best gift was teaching God's Word and the good news of Jesus. They taught it to Timothy, Mother Eunice's son.

For You and Me:
Timothy learned God's truths in the Bible and so are you... right now! God used His Word, the Bible, to work in Timothy's heart and help him trust in Jesus as His Savior. God can use His Word to work inside of us, too.

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalm 18:30,46, NIV:
"As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is flawless... The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior!"

1. Who in our story knew that God and His Word were perfect? Grandma Lois and Mother Eunice.

2. Who did they teach God's Word to? Timothy.

For You and Me:
God is the living God! He and His Word, the Bible, are still perfect! God's Word will always prove true. We can trust in God and His Word, just like Grandma Lois, Mother Eunice and Timothy did!

Our Bible Truth is:
What's So Special about the Bible?
It Alone Is God's Word!

The Gospel

The Bible tells us so many good and important things. But the very best thing it tells us, is how we can be saved from our sins.

The Bible tells us that, even though we are sinners who deserve God's punishment for our sins, God sent His Son, Jesus, to save us. Jesus lived a perfect life. Then, He offered it up to God as full payment for the sins of God's people, as He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, Jesus rose up from the dead. He had really beaten sin and death for God's people!

We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from disobeying God (repent) and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask God to help you do this. He loves to answer this prayer!

A Prayer

A We praise you, God. You are perfect, and everything You tell us always proves true.

C God, we know You are perfect and everything You say is true, but too many times we still don't trust You or obey Your Word. Please forgive us! We need Jesus to be our Savior!

T Thank You for giving us Your words, written down perfectly in the Bible. Thank You that we can always know what is right and true when we read the Bible. And thank You for all the wonderful things You tell us in the Bible, especially the stories about Jesus.

S Work deep inside our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to want to read Your Word. Help us to know You better from what we learn. Help us to go and tell others how they can learn about You in Your wonderful Word, the Bible.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!)