




# Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?



ANSWER:

## He's Not Like Anyone Else!

VISUAL  
AID *take out*  
#1  *of BQB*

## 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 4:

**Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?**  
and the Answer is:  
**He's Not Like Anyone Else!**

### Meaning:

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 alive--and 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.

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

## Big Q & A 4 Song

*DDD ESV Songs 4, track 12  
(adapted version of "Have You Ever Seen a Lassie")*

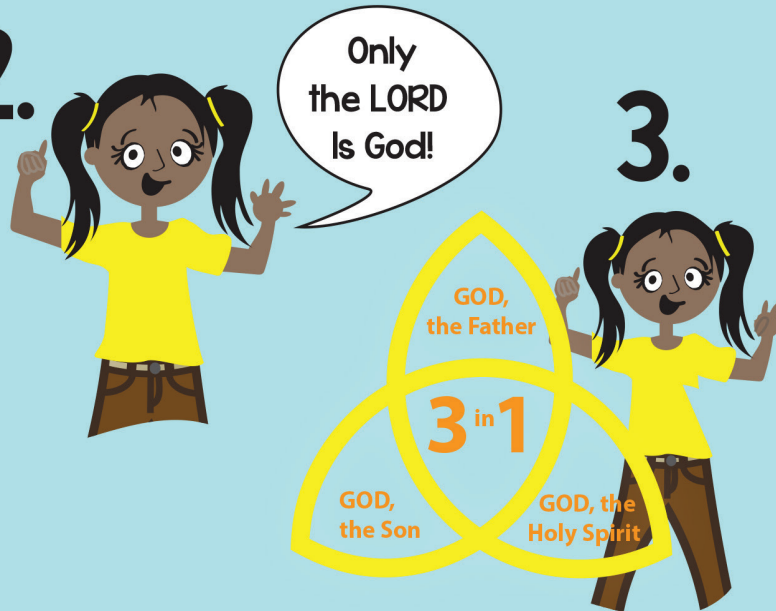
Can anybody tell me,  
Tell me, tell me,  
Can anybody tell me,  
What the LORD is like?  
He's not like anyone else,  
Anyone else, anyone else,  
He's not like anyone else,  
That's what the LORD is like.

# BIG QUESTION 4: Eight truths about the LORD

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Visual Aid #2 take out ? Big Question Briefcase ? of BQB

## This Unit's Bible Truths

"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 the God is like.

Who would like to hand me the picture with our eight 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 eight truths they will be learning.*

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

"Ok, we've learned six 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," "He Is Everywhere, All the Time," "He Knows Everything There Is to Know," and, "He Is Perfectly Holy, Purely Good" (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?"

*Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue sign and hand it to you.*



CAN YOU GUESS BIBLE TRUTH 7?

Can Anybody Tell Me  
What the LORD Is Like?  
He's Not Like  
Anyone Else...

He Can Do ????  
He Wants to Do!

HINT: "What can you do if  
you are all-powerful?  
That's what God can do.  
It rhymes with "twenty rings."

ANSWER:  
He Can Do **ANYTHING**  
He Wants to Do!



# 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:*

**“Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?  
He’s Not Like Anyone Else!  
He Can Do ???? He Wants to Do!”**

We’re missing one word. Here’s the hint to what the missing word is. It says: “What can you do if you are all-powerful? That’s what God can do. It rhymes with “twenty rings.”

Can you guess? It’s “anything.”

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

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

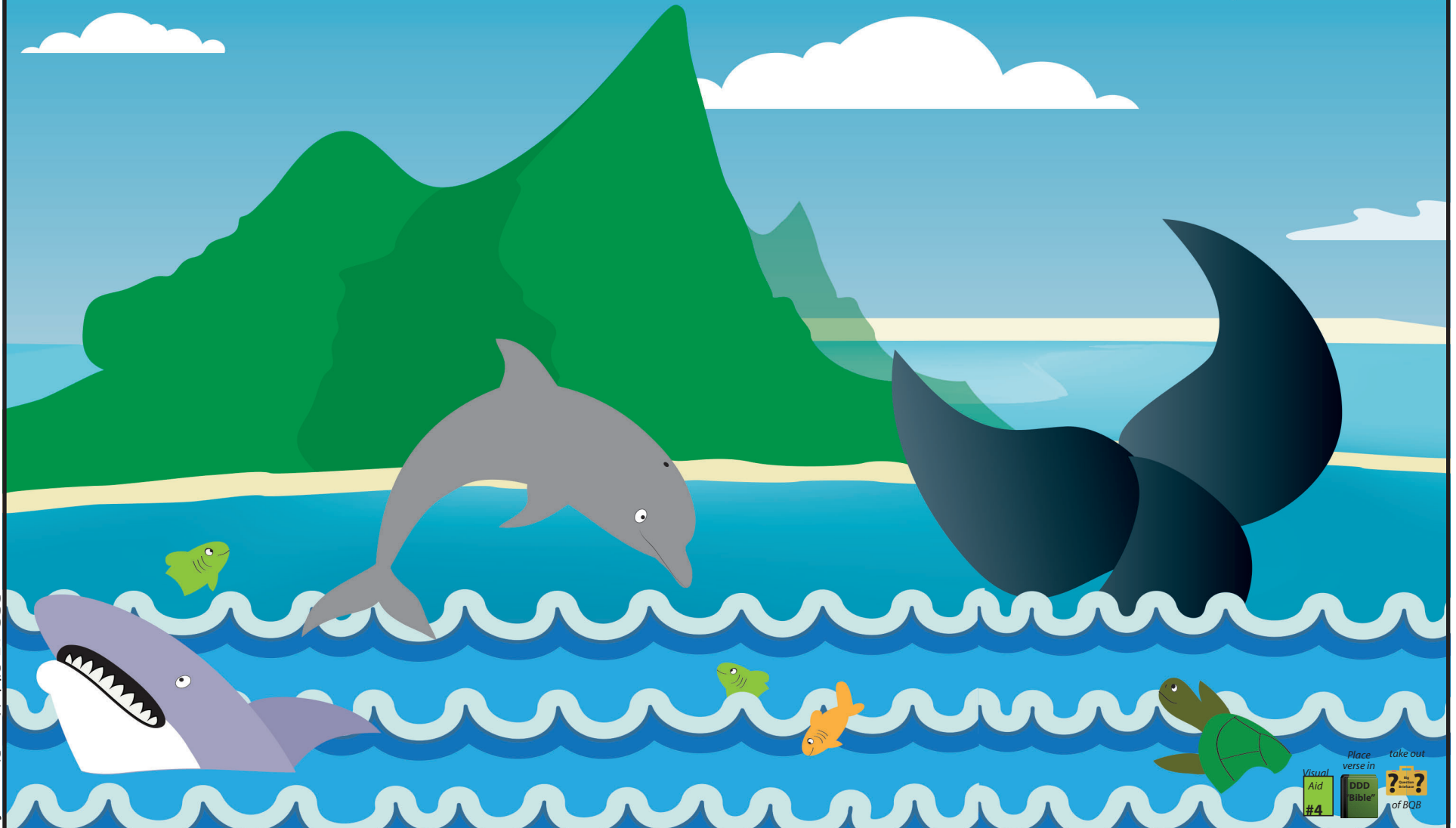
**“Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?  
He’s Not Like Anyone Else!  
He Can Do ANYTHING He Wants to Do!”**

And here is what this Bible Truth means:

*(read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:)*

The LORD is all-powerful. He is in control of everything. And, He has nothing but perfectly wise plans for this world. Because He is all powerful, we know that His perfectly wise plans will always happen. No one can stop the LORD from doing the good things for His people. Nothing can stop the LORD from doing the wonderful things that show everyone how great He is.

“For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods. Whatever the LORD pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.” Psalm 135:5-6, ESV



## Bible Truth 7 Bible Verse

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

Psalm 135:5-6 tells us:

### **Psalm 135:5-6 , ESV**

"For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods. Whatever the LORD pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps."

**Learn a Little:** "Whatever the LORD pleases, he does."

### **What does that mean?**

Omnipotent means all powerful. The LORD is all-powerful. He is greater than all gods. He is all-powerful over all His creation. That is why in the heavens, the earth, and the seas, He will always do whatever pleases Him.

"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?"

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## I Know that the LORD Is Great: Psalm 135:5,6

*DDD ESV Songs 4, track 33*

I know that the LORD is great,  
That our Lord is greater than all gods.  
The LORD does whatever pleases him.  
In the heavens and on the earth,  
In the seas and all their depths,  
In the heavens and on the earth,  
In the seas and all their depths.  
The LORD does whatever pleases Him.  
Psalm One-thirty-five, five and six.

"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 with the Big Name 2 Kings 18-19; 2 Chronicles 32



## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the man with the big name? What did he think he could do?
2. Who proved to be even more powerful than him?



## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

### Psalm 135:5-6, ESV

"For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods. Whatever the LORD pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps."

1. Who did not believe the LORD was great?
2. How did the LORD show He can do whatever pleases Him?

(more listening and discussion questions are included in the curriculum at [praisefactory.org](http://praisefactory.org))





1. Long ago, there was a king with a very big name. His name was Sennacherib. He lived in a beautiful palace in the city of Nineveh. Not only did this king have a very big name, but he also had a very big army, with thousands and thousands of brave, fighting men. And what did King Sennacherib do with his big army of brave, fighting men? He sent them to fight the soldiers of other kings, in other lands. And most every time his soldiers fought, they won. Oh, how very powerful were King Sennacherib and his soldiers!



2. Now, the king didn't send his soldiers to fight for the FUN of it. He sent them to TAKE. And take, they did! They took the other kings' lands and the other kings' stuff. They even took the other kings' people! If King Sennacherib wanted something, he got it: lands, riches, and people. But no matter how much Sennacherib took, he was never satisfied. He always wanted to take more. Really, he wanted to take EVERYTHING and be MOST POWERFUL. He wanted to be king over everyone, in every land.





3. One day, King Sennacherib sent his army to the land of Judah, the land the LORD had given to His people. Sennacherib's army swooped down across the countryside and gobbled up little cities along the way. Sennacherib was happy to have these little cities, but his eyes were on the one, biggest, best, and most beautiful city in Judah: Jerusalem! Sennacherib wanted to own Jerusalem's lovely Temple, with its beautiful, golden things. He wanted all the riches of the people and their king, King Hezekiah, too.



4. So, march, march, march, went Sennacherib's soldiers towards Jerusalem. Soon they would shake its thick walls and break its big, city gates. And if this city was like the others they had attacked, the people would soon surrender and Jerusalem would belong to Sennacherib.





5. Up in his palace, news of Sennacherib's soldiers reached Hezekiah, king of Judah. Hezekiah was a good king. He loved the LORD and obeyed His laws. He helped the people love and obey the LORD, too. Hezekiah believed the LORD was the one, true God. He knew the LORD was powerful. He had read the amazing stories of how the LORD rescued His people in Egypt. But when Hezekiah heard about those thousands and thousands of soldiers coming to shake the walls of Jerusalem and break its big, city gates, he panicked.





6. Hezekiah knew his army was too small to fight off that big army. And, he couldn't imagine how the LORD could rescue Jerusalem, either. So, because Hezekiah knew that HE didn't have what he needed to fight the enemy... and he couldn't imagine how the LORD could, he stopped trusting the LORD as he should. Hezekiah decided to take matters into his own hands. He would make a deal with King Sennacherib. So, Hezekiah sent a message to King Sennacherib saying: "I'll pay you as much money as you want, if you will send your soldiers away and leave us alone."





7. King Sennacherib loved money, so he sent a message back to King Hezekiah with his deal: "Pay me eleven tons of gold and one ton of silver, then I will leave you alone," Sennacherib promised.

King Hezekiah was horrified! Eleven tons of gold! One ton of silver! Why, that would be wagons and wagons of gold and silver! Why, that would be all the gold and silver in Jerusalem! They would even have to strip the gold off of the Temple to come up with enough!



8. Should Hezekiah give King Sennacherib all their riches? Should he take the gold off of the Temple to pay off this wicked king? Was that REALLY the only way to get rid of this powerful enemy? Hezekiah thought it was. So, he gathered all the silver and gold he had, then he stripped gold off the Temple, and sent it all away to King Sennacherib. Would that be enough to make him happy?





9. No, it was not! King Sennacherib wanted more than money. He wanted King Hezekiah's lands and King Hezekiah's people, too. So, march, march, march, went King Sennacherib's soldiers again. They marched through the hills of Judah, and right up to the very walls of Jerusalem, itself.



10. The leader of the army shouted mean words at Eliakim, Shebna, and Joah, King Hezekiah's helpers: "Give this message to your king," he ordered them. "Tell him: 'If you think you can beat King Sennacherib's armies, you are wrong. If you think the LORD your God can take care of you, you are wrong. No other king's army could beat us. No other god took care of their people when we attacked them. You and your God will be no different. We have come to destroy your land and take everything,' the army leader boasted.





II. King Hezekiah was very upset when he heard this. He knew he **STILL** didn't have enough soldiers to fight this strong enemy. He knew Sennacherib's army could easily shake Jerusalem's strong walls and break down their city gates. But **THIS** time, Hezekiah put his trust in the only One who had been powerful enough to rescue them in the past. Yes, he would trust in the One who was even more powerful than Sennacherib. **THIS** time, Hezekiah trusted in the **LORD!**



12. Hezekiah and his helpers put on special clothes for times of sadness (sackcloth). Hezekiah went to the Temple to pray to the LORD. He sent Eliakim, Shebna and Joah to ask the prophet Isaiah, the LORD's messenger, for help. "This is a terrible day! This is terrible news!" was Hezekiah's message to Isaiah. "But let's pray to the LORD. Perhaps He will help us," Hezekiah hoped. The LORD did indeed hear their prayers. "The LORD says: 'Do not be afraid of what King Sennacherib or his men say to you. I will take care of him and his army,'" Isaiah told Hezekiah.





13. But back outside of Jerusalem, King Sennacherib's army leader kept shouting out more mean words: "Don't trust in the LORD, your God. He can't help you!"

This time King Hezekiah didn't listen. He just went and prayed to the LORD again: "O LORD, You rule over every king on earth. You are stronger than King Sennacherib. You can do anything you want to do. Please, LORD, rescue us. Show King Sennacherib and his soldiers that You alone are the true God. Show them that You are more powerful than they are," he prayed.



14. Once more, Isaiah brought God's answer: "Don't worry. I've heard your prayer. I will take care of Jerusalem and Judah. King Sennacherib's soldiers won't come into this city. They won't attack it or even shoot an arrow at it. I will get rid of them without you doing any fighting at all. I will turn them back on My own." And so that night, many of King Sennacherib's soldiers were struck down dead. And in the morning, the rest of Sennacherib's soldiers went home, never to return again.





15. Inside the city, King Hezekiah and all the people praised the LORD. He had done just what He said He would do. He had beaten the mighty army of King Sennacherib all by Himself. Now, King Sennacherib, his army, and everyone else would know that the LORD is the one true God. He is all-powerful. He can do anything He wants to do.



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### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the man with the big name? What did he think he could do?  
Sennacherib. He thought he could defeat any people, any army, any god, with his great army.
2. Who proved to be even more powerful than him?  
The LORD did. Sennacherib was no match for Him! Not in the least!

For You and Me:

There will never be any enemy who is more powerful than the LORD. The LORD and His good plans will always win. He will always do what is best for His people and will always show that He is the one, true God. And who knows this most of all? God's people—all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. Ask God to help you become one of His people. He loves to help us.



### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

1Psalm 135:5-6, ESV

"For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods. Whatever the LORD pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps."

1. Who did not believe the LORD was great?  
King Sennacherib and his army leaders.
2. How did the LORD show He can do whatever pleases Him?  
The LORD defeated King Sennacherib's army without King Hezekiah or any of the people of Jerusalem having to fight at all.

For You and Me:

Isn't it amazing to think that the LORD is always great enough to do whatever pleases Him? And, what pleases Him is to love sinners like you and me, and to show the world how great and good He is! And who knows this most of all? God's people—all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. Ask God to help you become one of His people. He loves to help us.

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# The Gospel



Did you know that the LORD has beaten something stronger than even Sennacherib's army? He has even beaten sin and death for God's people, through Jesus!

Yes, Jesus, God's Son, came and lived a perfect life. Then He offered up His life as the full payment for the sins of God's people, when He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, showing He had really beaten sin and death for them!

Now all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior, can know God's forgiveness and become God's people. They will get to know Him in their hearts now, and one day, when they die, they will go to live with Him forever. Ask God to help you become one of His people! He loves to help us!





# A Prayer

**A** We praise You, LORD. There is no god like you. You can do anything You want.

**C** God, we know You can do anything You want to do. We know You only do good. But too many times we do not trust You. We don't think You are able to take care of us. Or, we don't trust that what You want to do is really best. Please forgive us! We need a Savior!

**T** LORD, thank You for being so powerful! Thank You that we can always ask for Your help, and You can always give us the help we need. Thank You that You love to use Your power to do good. You will never use it to do anything bad. Thank You for even using Your great power to make the way for us to be forgiven of our sins. Thank You for sending Jesus!

**S** Work in our hearts, LORD. Help us to turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to depend on You to take care of us. Use Your great power to do all of Your wonderful will in us and in this world.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

