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Hide 'n' Seek Kids Curriculum Resources

There are five companion resources for each of the four volumes of Hide'n' Seek Kids. (Each volume contains four units. There are sixteen units in total in the currciulum.) Use whichever resources are useful to your setting. Hide 'n' Seek Kids resources are available as free, digital downloads at praisefactory.org, or for purchase as hard copies through amazon.com.

Make sure to check out the "Bits and Pieces" section of the Hide 'n' Seek Kids curriculum online. It has all of the resources separated out making it easy for you simply to pick, choose and print out whatever you want.

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Core Curriculum Book, ESV/NIV for each volume

The Hide'n' Seek Kids Core Curriculum book contains the curriculum introduction, the lesson plans, stories, music, activities and take home sheets for each of the units.

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids with Simple Story Scenes, ESV/NIV for each volume

This resource provides large, colorful signs of the key concepts used in the unit, PLUS, easy-to-use, colorful scenes that you hold up in sequence as you tell the story. The story text for each scene in printed on the bottom of each scene.

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Simple Story Scenes, ESV/NIV for each volume

This resource includes only 2-page overview for Bible Truth, story scenes and take-home sheets. This is a great, basic resource for use at home or informal teaching situations.

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Small Format Visual Aids, ESV/NIV (Small Format Storyboard Pictures) for each volume

This resource provides large, colorful signs of the key concepts used in the unit, PLUS, colorful storyboard (flannelgraph) pictures to cut out and use as you tell each story. These storyboard pictures are for use with storyboards at least 24" x 36" in size.

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Large Format Visual Aids, ESV/NIV (Large Format Storyboard Pictures) for each volume

This resource provides large, colorful signs of the key concepts used in the unit. It also provides colorful storyboard (flannelgraph) pictures to cut out and use as you tell each story. These storyboard pictures are for use with storyboards 36" x 48" in size.

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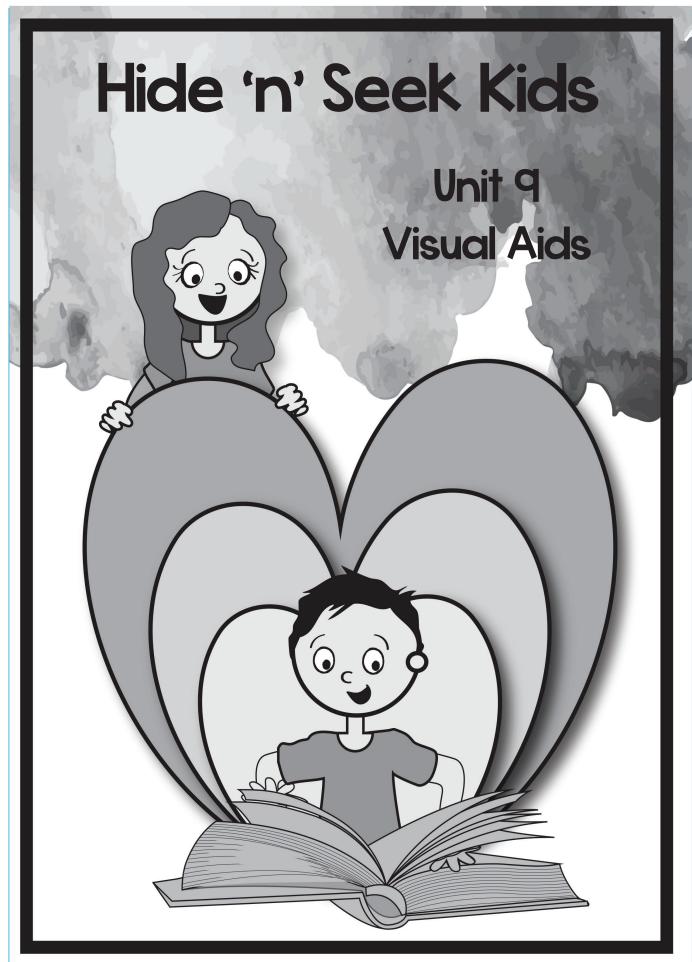
Other Resources in the Praise Factory Family of Curriculum

Hide 'n' Seek Kids is the first in a family of three, inter-related curriculums:

- Hide 'n' Seek Kids (focus group: ages 2-4; adaptable range: ages 2-pre-K 5's)
- Deep Down Detectives (focus group: ages 4--6's; adaptable range: ages 3-2nd grade)
- PFI: (focus group: grades K-5th grade; adaptable range: pre-K 5's-6th grade)

Each curriculum teaches the same biblical themes, but are presented in greater depth as the children grow and develop. Together, the curriculums work like an expanding spiral of truth that returns to reinforce the same truths with each curriculum, yet leading the children to deeper understanding with each step up.

Learn more about these curriculums as well as other resources and ideas for reaching children with the gospel at: www.praisefactory.org.



About Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids

How Are They Used?



The Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Hide 'n' Seek Kids Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

What Do They Include?





There are four different resources included in this book:

- **1. Key Concept Visual Aids--** colorful signs of the Big Question and Answer, the Bible Truth, the Bible verse, and the Listening Assignments to use with the 3 lessons for each Bible Truth.
- **2. The Story Scenes, themselves.** Notice that each scene is numbered and that there is a brief summary of the story that corresponds to the picture. You can actually just tell the story in a simple way by using only the text at the bottom of each Story Scene.
- **3. Directions** for making the Hide 'n' Seek Kids "Bible" Folder and the **back/front images** to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)
- **4. Directions** for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy Story Scene pictures are found in the back of this book.

Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. The Story Scenes can be put in sheet protectors or laminated, too.

Store It!



Hide 'n' Seek Kids is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manilla envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labelled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manilla envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

Replacement Story Scene Pictures



You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any scenes that go missing.

Other Options



You can also choose to tell the story in a more traditional flannelgraph way by using your own flannelgraph figures or by purchasing/free downloading the Storyboard Pictures (large and small format size avaiable). This is more complex and requires more preparation, but some love it. And, it does allow for kids to interact more by helping to place pictures up on the board as you tell the story.

Unit 9 Overview of Key Concepts

UNIT 9: Jesus Christ, Immanuel, God with Us

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

Meaning:

In the beginning, God created the world. Everything God created was perfect. Best of all, people knew and loved God in a wonderful, perfectly close way. How good was the world that God created!

But sadly, life did not stay this way. People chose to disobey God and this perfect life was broken. Disobeying God is called "sin." People's sin brought sickness, sadness, and death into God's good world. Sin broke our special closeness with God, too. We can see it when we look inside our hearts. We do not love God or others as we should. Saddest of all, sin meant we deserved never to know God's love, only His punishment for our sins.

But God has been so kind to us. He has treated us much better than we could ever deserve! Even from the very beginning, God had an amazing plan to rescue us. He promised to send a Savior who would rescue His people. This Savior would take the punishment for their sins, so they wouldn't have to. This is how He would make them God's people. Who was that Savior? God's Son, Jesus. And who are God's people? All who turn away from their disobeying and trust in Him as their Savior. Jesus came to bring us to God! We can be God's people, too, if we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you!

Unit 9 Bible Verse: 1 Peter 3:18

"Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God."

Meaning:

What did Jesus come to do? Jesus came to bring us to God! That's just what this Bible verse tells us. We are all sinners and deserve God's punishment. We could never come to God on our own. But Jesus came to take God's punishment for sin for EVERYONE who turns away from rebelling against God and trusts in Jesus as their Savior! Yes! God forgives them and makes them His very own people. They can know God in their hearts now. And one day, they will get to live with Him forever. Thank You, Jesus!

Unit 9 ACTS Prayer

- A Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God.
- **C** God, You sent Jesus to save us, and we certainly do need a Savior! We are all sinners who choose to disobey You and Your good rules. We deserve Your punishment, not Your love. Please forgive us for disobeying You and Your good rules. Please rescue us from the punishment our sins deserve!
- Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross to save all who trust in You as their Savior. You took the punishment they deserved for disobeying God. You made the way to bring us to God.
- God, work in our hearts. Help us to see that we are sinners who have disobeyed you. Help us to turn away from our sins and ask You to save us. Help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to know You in our hearts even today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Unit 9 Story

The Case of the Son Who Came Down

The Gospels

Songs Used in Unit 9 *listen to or download songs for free at https://praisefactory.org: Hide n Seek Kids Music page*

Big Q & A 9 Song

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

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

Extra Unit 9 Bible Verse Song: For Christ Suffered Once for Sins 1 Peter 3:18, ESV (other version)

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

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

Hide 'n' Seek Kids ESV Songs 9 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)

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.

UNIT 9: JESUS, IMMANUEL, GOD WITH US

- 12 Big Q & A 9 Song
- 13 Big Question 9 Song: What Did Jesus Come to Do?
- 14 Unit 9 Bible Verse Song: Christ Suffered Once for Sins 1 Peter 3:18, ESV (full version)
- 15 Unit 9 Bible Verse Song: Christ Suffered Once for Sins 1 Peter 3:18, ESV (short version)
- 16 Extra Unit 9 Bible Verse Song: For Christ Suffered Once for Sins 1 Peter 3:18, ESV (other version)
- 17 Extra Unit 9 Bible Verse Song: For God So Loved the World John 3:16, ESV
- 18 Unit 9 Hymn: To God Be the Glory, v.1
- 19 Unit 9 Praise Song: Blessed Be the Name

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Big Question 9 Bible Story

use with all FIVE lessons

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The Case of the Son Who Came Down

The Gospels

Story-telling Tips

Ahead of time:

- 1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
- 2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare Story Scenes, if using. (Included in the Visual Aids books)
- 3. Practice telling story with the Story Scenes, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary.

During your presentation:

- 1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
- 2. Put up Story Scenes/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 Son Who Came Down. 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 was the son who came down?
- 2. Where did he come down from and what did he come to do?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

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

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

- 1. Who did Jesus die for?
- 2. Who did Jesus bring us to?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

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

They are: a manger; a dead man; a rainbow; and a sick man.

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 one does not belong in the story?
- 2. How were the other 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 do God's people thank Jesus for doing?
- 2. What are some things they thank Jesus for doing when He came to earth?

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. What bad thing did Jesus' enemies do to Jesus?
- 2. What good thing did God use that bad thing to do for God's people?

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 questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all the questions."

"The Case of the Son Who Came Down" The Gospels

Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics) Numbers refer to storyboard picture numbers.

This story starts out in the most amazing home there has ever been. It was a home that was always filled with love, and goodness, and happiness, and beauty, and light. It was a home better than any home you can ever imagine. It was perfect and wonderful.

And what made it so perfect and wonderful? God did. This was His home. It's called heaven. And it is a place so perfectly wonderful that you would never want to leave.

Have you ever been to a place you loved so much that you never wanted to leave? Heaven is even better than that!

But you know, there was someone who DID choose to leave that perfectly wonderful home. It was Jesus, God's Son.

Now Jesus didn't choose to leave heaven because He didn't like it or because He was bored or anything like that. No, sirree! Jesus LOVED His home! He LOVED shining with the beautiful brightness of God's glory! He LOVED that there was never any sadness or badness! He LOVED hearing the angels praising God. And most of all, Jesus LOVED the special closeness of God in heaven!

But, if Jesus loved His home in heaven so much, why did He leave it? There was just one reason: God's great love for people like you and me. You see, long ago people started disobeying God and His good ways; and while God LOVES people, He hates badness. The big Bible word for badness is "sin." This sin broke the special closeness that people could have with God. It broke it so badly that we could never fix it by ourselves.

Can you think of something bad or sad in our world now? I can! All those bad and sad things came through sin.

God wanted people to know Him and enjoy special closeness with Him. But something would have to be done about that sin that separated people from Him first...and God knew He was the only one who could do it. So, God chose to send His Son, Jesus, to rescue us—to be our Savior. And Jesus delighted to obey. God loves us that much!

That's why Jesus left His wonderful home in heaven; and one night, long ago, He was born a baby right here on earth. Jesus was still God, but now He was a human, too: with arms, legs, ears, and a nose, like you and me.

Can you pretend you are rocking a baby in your arms, like Mary might have rocked baby Jesus?

Jesus was a human just like us, and yet, He was also VERY different from us in one VERY BIG way. Jesus was born perfect! He had no badness or sin in His heart! It was full of perfect love and goodness. Isn't that amazing! There has never been anyone like Jesus before, and there never will be again!

Jesus was born a tiny, baby boy that Christmas night. He was born out in a barn-like place where they kept animals. And instead of a bed, he slept in a manger, the animal feeding bowl! and put in a manger-the animal feeding bowl! Oh, how very different this new home was from Jesus' home in heaven! Oh, how much God loved us to send His Son here to be our Savior like this! Beautiful angels appeared in the sky. They shone with the light of God's goodness. They sang out the good news: "God's Son has come from heaven to bring you to God! He has come to be your Savior! Yay!"

Jesus was born a baby, but He didn't stay that way! He grew up to be a little boy...then, a big boy...then, a teenager...and then, a full-grown man!

Squat down with arms near the ground, palms facing up, then stand up, raising your arms as you go.

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

When Jesus was all grown up, He did a lot of great and amazing things.

What kind of things did He do? Well... Jesus taught people lots of things about God. And, Jesus forgave people for disobeying God. Jesus made sick people well, and He even raised dead people back to life... and NOT with medicine, but just by God's great power! Can you imagine that?!

Jesus did these and many other wonderful things. Do you know why He did them? To show us that He had come to bring us to God, and to help us to trust in Him as our Savior.

Many people listened to what Jesus said and saw the wonderful things He did. And do you know what they began to think? "Jesus is God's Son! He came to bring us to God!"

But then one day, something very hard and sad happened that no one but Jesus thought would happen. Jesus' enemies took Him and hurt Him. They put Him up on cross to suffer and die.

Can you make a cross shape with your pointer fingers?

Jesus' body hurt so much! His spirit hurt so much, too. Why did Jesus hurt so much? Why did His enemies get to do this to Him? Was it because of something Jesus had done wrong? No, it was not! Jesus hurt so much NOT because of anything bad He had done. Jesus hurt so much for God's people and their sins. He was giving up His perfect life as the perfect payment for their sins. He chose to take ALL the punishment that they deserved for disobeying God. Jesus took all their punishment, so they wouldn't have to! God forgave their sins because of Jesus!

Why would Jesus do that? Because Jesus came to bring us to God...and that was the only way to do it!

Jesus suffered and died on the cross that day. His friends came and buried His body in a cave-grave, sealed shut with a HUGE stone! They were so sad that Jesus had died! Jesus had told His friends that something amazing would happen after He died. He told them He wouldn't stay dead, but come back to life. He was God's Son. He couldn't stay dead! But Jesus' friends didn't see how this could happen. They stayed sad. They had given up. They thought that this was the end of the story for Jesus.

Can you show me your saddest face? That's how Jesus' friends felt about Jesus being dead.

Jesus' enemies put strong soldiers in front of Jesus' cave-grave to guard it. They wanted to make sure Jesus' body stayed put.

But a big stone and strong guards weren't enough to stop God's plans! No way! That cave-grave wasn't the end of the story for Jesus AT ALL! Maybe Jesus stayed dead in that cave-grave on Day One and Day Two, but on Day Three, EVERYTHING CHANGED!

Hold up one finger, then add a second finger, then a third.

What a big surprise met Jesus' friends when they went to the cave-grave early Sunday morning on Day Three!

The ground rumbled with an earthquake-shake! shake! shake!--as a beautiful, bright, shiny angel came down from heaven. He went to the cave-grave and he rolled back that huge stone all by himself. Then he sat down right on top of it!

The solders and Jesus' friends were so afraid! But the angel said to Jesus' friends, "Don't be afraid! Jesus isn't here! He's risen from the dead, just as He said He would! Go look in the cave and see for yourselves! Then go, tell the others: Jesus is alive!" the angel urged them. "Tell them that soon they will see Him, too."

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Jesus' friends looked inside the cave. Sure enough--NO JESUS! Only the white cloth He had been buried in was there. Jesus was gone, just as the angel said! Still afraid, but filled with joy and so EXCITED, Jesus' friends ran off to tell the others the good news: God had really raised Jesus from the dead, never to die again! Jesus had beaten sin and death! God had completely forgiven His people for disobeying Him! Now, they could have the special closeness with God He created them to have! Yay!

After Jesus rose from the dead, He went to see His friends, just as He promised. Jesus visited them that day and many other days. He told them more things about God and His good plans. He promised to send the Holy Spirit to live in their hearts, giving them special closeness with God. And, He told them about His wonderful home in heaven, where everyone who lives for God and trusts in Him as their Savior would come and live with Him one day. That would be best of all!

Then up, up, up went Jesus to heaven, His home, to fully enjoy all the special closeness of God again. Do
you know why? Because Jesus came to bring us to Godand yay! He had done it!

Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

1. Who was the son who came down?

Jesus, the Son of God.

2. Where did he come down from and what did he come to do? He came down from heaven to bring us to God.

For You and Me:

Isn't it amazing that Jesus would leave His wonderful home in heaven to bring us to God! Isn't it amazing that He would love us so much to suffer and die for the sins of God's people! We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible Verse is: 1 Peter 3:18:

"Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God."

1. Who did Jesus die for?

For the unrighteous--that is, for people like you and me who do bad things.

2. Who did Jesus bring us to?

To God. We can know God and live as His people because of Jesus!

For You and Me:

Jesus was so perfectly good (righteous) and He gave up His life so that we could be forgiven for all the bad things we do and could be God's people. You and I can become God's people, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story. They are: a manger; a dead man; a rainbow and a sick person.

I need to know:

1. Which three pictures belong in the story and which one does not? The rainbow does not.

2. How were the other three things important in our story?

Jesus was put in a manger (a place where they put animal food) when He was born. Jesus healed many sick people and even raised dead people back to life. He showed people that He was God's Son and He had come to bring them to God.

For You and Me:

Jesus left His home in heaven and came to earth to show us what God is like and to bring us to God. How much He loved sinful people like you and me! He did all of these things to save us!

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

1. What do God's people thank Jesus for doing? For bringing them to God.

2. What are some things they thank Jesus for doing when He came to earth?

They thank Him for teaching them about God; for showing them His mighty power by the great things He did; and, most of all, for suffering and dying on the cross to pay for their sins.

For You and Me:

God's people have so much to thank Jesus for doing when He came to earth. We do, too. We can learn from what Jesus taught when we read His words in the Bible. We can learn about the amazing things He did. We can turn from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior, too. Then we will be God's people, too!

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

1. What bad thing did Jesus' enemies do to Jesus?

They hurt Jesus and put Him on a cross to suffer and die.

2. What good thing did God use that bad thing to do for God's people?

Jesus took the punishment for the sins of God's people when He suffered and died on the cross. Jesus rose from the dead on the third day, showing that He had really beat sin and death for them!

For You and Me:

We all disobey God. We need a Savior. Jesus can save us from our sins and make us God's people, too, when we repent of our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. God loves to help us do this!

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)

Our Bible Truth is: What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!

This is the good news the friends of Jesus believed and celebrated, long ago.

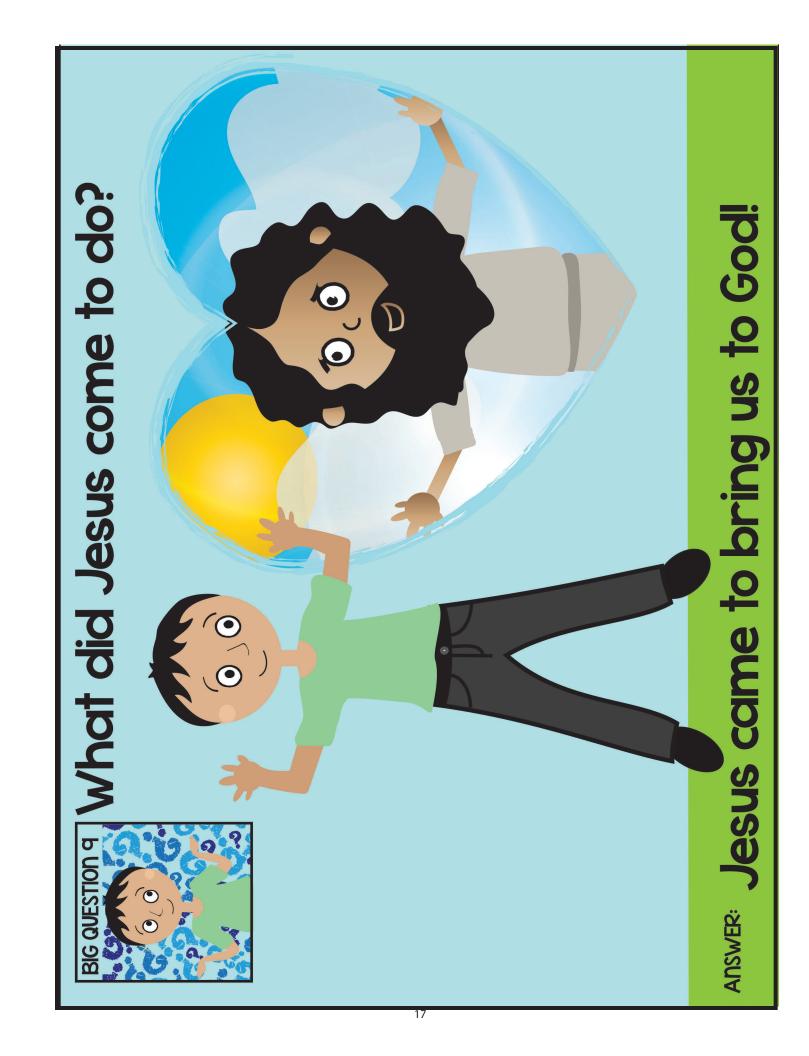
It's also good news for us today! For now, ANYONE who says sorry to God for disobeying Him and asks Jesus to be their Savior, God will forgive them and will save them. This promise is even for you and me! Yes! WE can know God in our hearts now. Then one day, we can go to live happily with God forever in His perfectly wonderful home.

Close in prayer.

Closing Unit 9 ACTS Prayer

A=Adoration C=Confession T=Thanksgiving S=Supplication

- **A** Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God.
- **C** God, You sent Jesus to save us, and we certainly do need a Savior! We are all sinners who choose to disobey You and Your good rules. We deserve Your punishment, not Your love. Please forgive us for disobeying You and Your good rules. Please rescue us from the punishment our sins deserve!
- **T** Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross to save all who trust in You as their Savior. You took the punishment they deserved for disobeying God. You made the way to bring us to God.
- **S** God, work in our hearts. Help us to see that we are sinners who have disobeyed you. Help us to turn away from our sins and ask You to save us. Help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to know You in our hearts even today. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



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. Everything God created was perfect. Best of all, people knew and loved God in a wonderful, perfectly close way. How good was the world that God created!

But sadly, life did not stay this way. People chose to disobey God and this perfect life was broken. Disobeying God is called "sin." People's sin brought sickness, sadness, and death into God's good world. Sin broke our special closeness with God, too. We can see it when we look inside our hearts. We do not love God or others as we should. Saddest of all, sin meant we deserved never to know God's love, only His punishment for our sins.

But God has been so kind to us. He has treated us much better than we could ever deserve! Even from the very beginning, God had an amazing plan to rescue us. He promised to send a Savior who would rescue His people. This Savior would take the punishment for their sins, so they wouldn't have to.

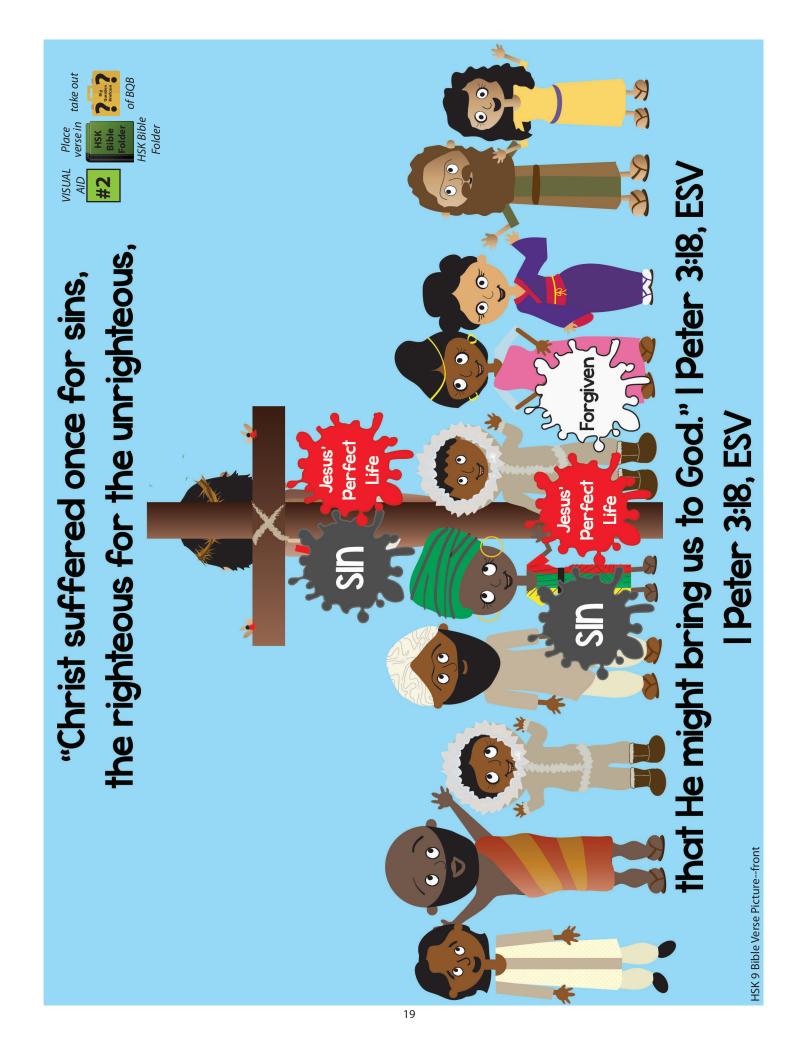
This is how He would make them God's people. Who was that Savior? God's Son, Jesus. And who are God's people? All who turn away from their disobeying and trust in Him as their Savior. Jesus came to bring us to God! We can be God's people, too, if we trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you!

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

Big Q & A 9 Song

HSK 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!



Unit 9 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:

1 Peter 3:18, ESV

"Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God."

Meaning:

What did Jesus come to do? Jesus came to bring us to God! That's just what this Bible verse tells us. We are all sinners and deserve God's punishment. We could never come to God on our own. But Jesus came to take God's punishment for sin for EVERYONE who turns away from rebelling against God and trusts in Jesus as their Savior! Yes! God forgives them and makes them His very own people. They can know God in their hearts now. And one day, they will get to live with Him forever. This is how we can become God's people, too. Thank You, Jesus!

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

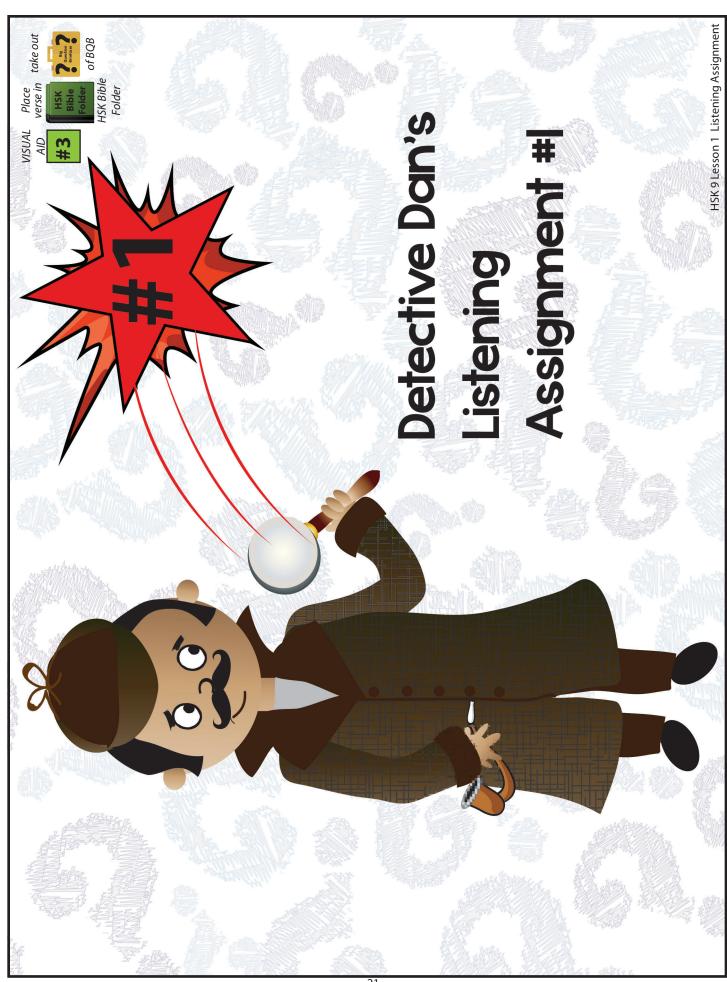
Christ Suffered Once for Sins: I Peter 3:16

HSK ESV Songs 9, track 14,14T

Christ suffered once for sins,
That He might bring us to God,
Christ suffered once for sins,
That He might bring us to God.

The righteous for the unrighteous, The righteous for the unrighteous. That He might bring us to God. First Peter Three, eighteen.

"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?"



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1



Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm working on a brand-new case called:

"The Case of the Son Who Came Down."



. Who was the son who came down?

2. Where did he come down from and what did he come to do?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!

Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

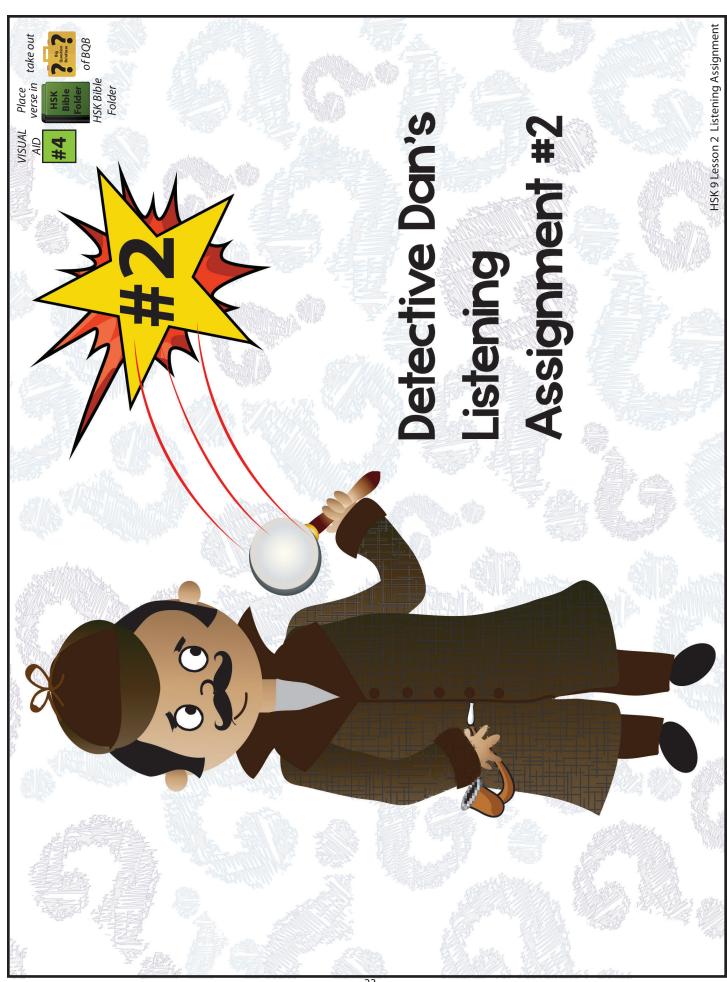
Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Answers:

- 1. Who was the son who came down? Jesus, the Son of God.
- 2. Where did he come down from and what did he He come to do? Jesus came down from heaven to bring us to God.

For You and Me:

Isn't it amazing that Jesus would leave His wonderful home in heaven to bring us to God! Isn't it amazing that He would love us so much to suffer and die for the sins of God's people! We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



Listening Assignment #2 Detective Dan's

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Son Who Came Down."



Our Bible verse is I Peter 3:18:

unrighteous, that He might bring us to God." "Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the

need to find out:

. Who did Jesus die for?

2. Who did Jesus bring us to?

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Detective Dan Thanks for your help!

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of the story text *Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end

Answers:

1. Who did Jesus die for?

For the unrighteous--that is, for people like you and me who do bad things.

2. Who did Jesus bring us to?

To God. We can know God and live as His people because of Jesus!

For You and Me:

trust in Jesus as our Savior. Jesus was so perfectly good (righteous) and He gave up His life so that we You and I can become God's people, when we turn away from our sins and could be forgiven for all the bad things we do and could be God's people.



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3



I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Son Who Came Down."



I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story.
They are: a manger; a sick man; a rainbow and a dead man.

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.

need to know:

- I. Which of the pictures does not belong in the story?

 AND
- 2. How were the other three things important in our story?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Answers:

- Which of these pictures does not belong in the story? The rainbow does not.
- 2. How were the other three things important in our story? Jesus was put in a manger (a place where they put animal food) when He was born. Jesus healed many sick people and even raised dead people back to life. He showed people that He was God's Son and He had come to bring them to God.

For You and Me:

Jesus left His home in heaven and came to earth to show us what God is like and to bring us to God. How much He loved sinful people like you and me! He did all of these things to save us!



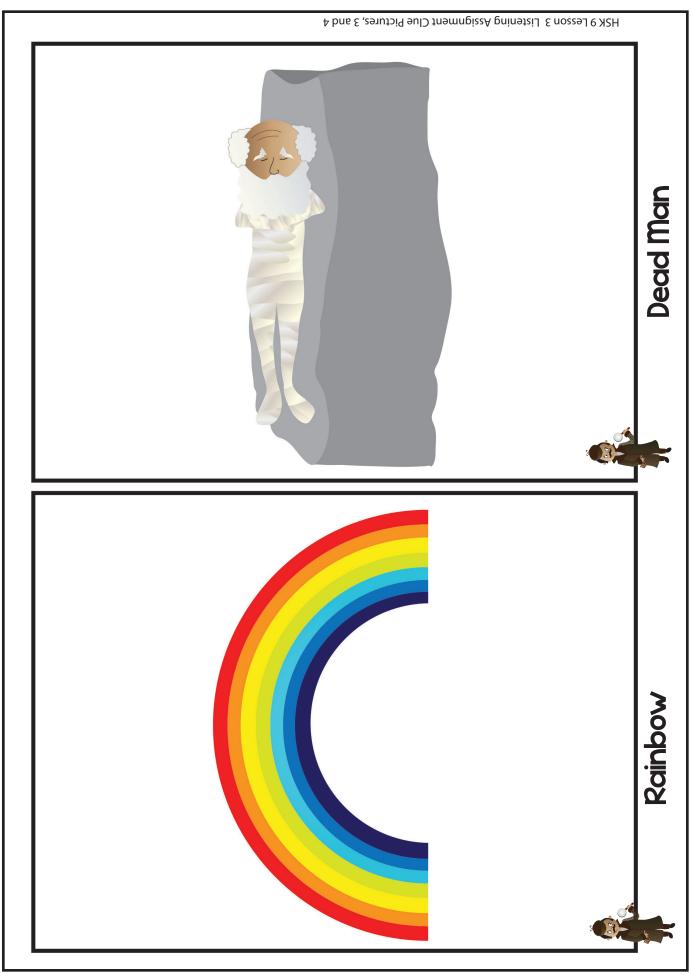
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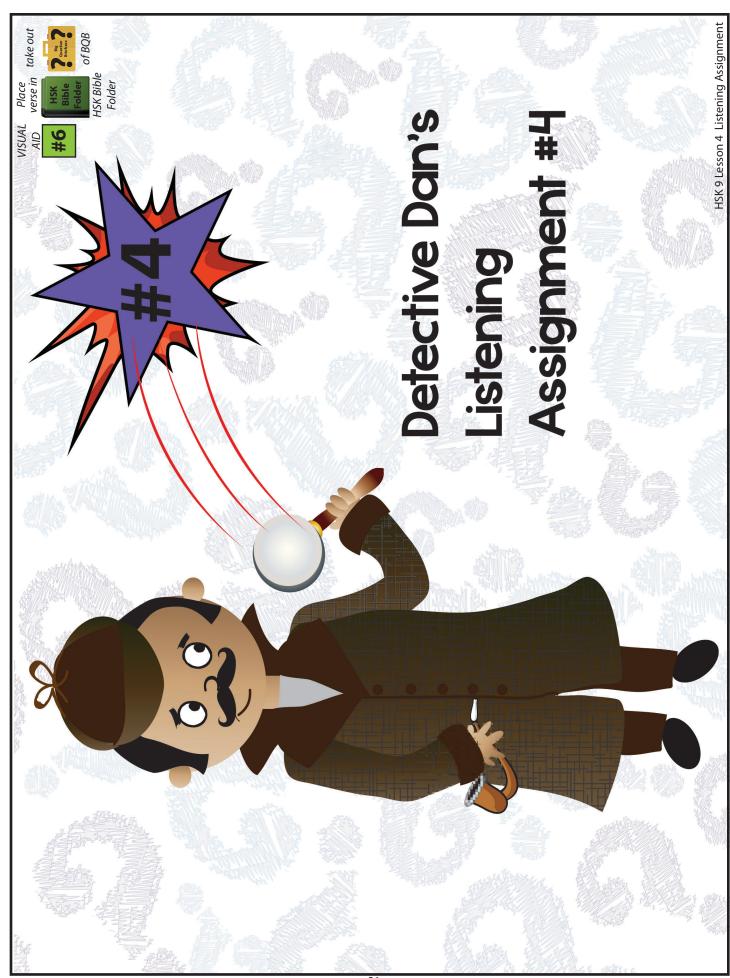


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HSK Bible of BQB
HSK Bible Folder

Place verse in take out

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #4

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Son Who Came Down."



I need to find out:

I. What do God's people thank Jesus for doing?

2. What are some things they thank Jesus for doing when He came to earth?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

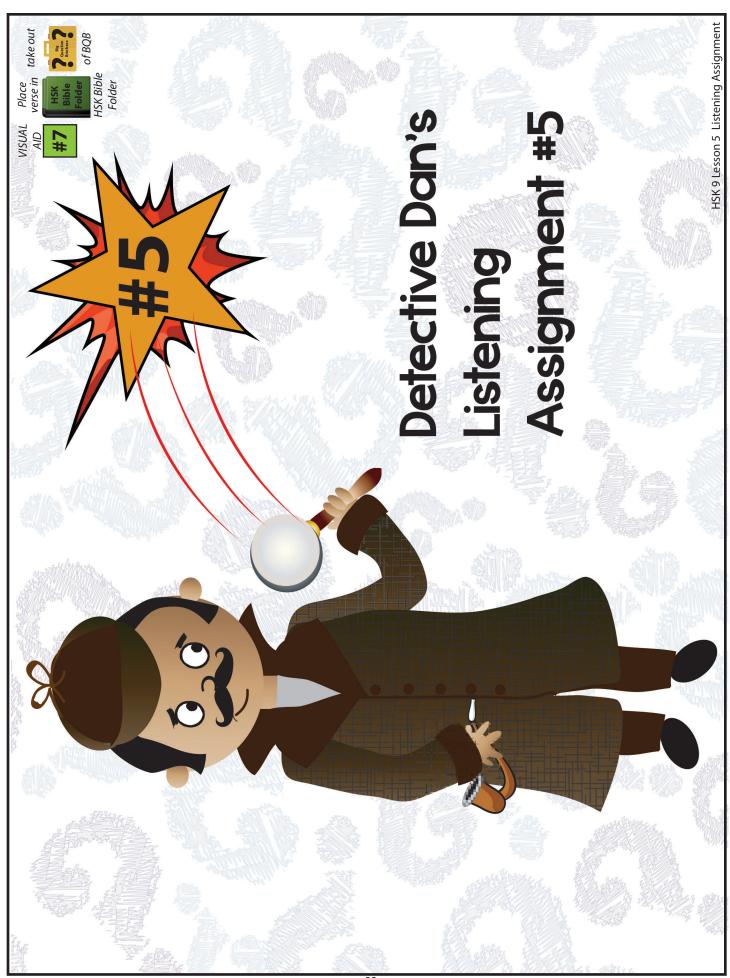
nswers:

What do God's people thank Jesus for doing? For bringing them to God.
 What are some things they thank Jesus for doing when He came to earth? They thank Him for teaching them about God; for showing them His mighty power by the great things He did; and, most of all, for suffering and

For You and Me:

dying on the cross to pay for their sins.

God's people have so much to thank Jesus for doing when He came to earth. We do, too. We can learn from what Jesus taught when we read His words in the Bible. We can learn about the amazing things He did. We can turn from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior, too. Then we will be God's people, too!



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #5

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Son Who Came Down."



I. What bad thing did Jesus' enemies do to Jesus?

2. What good thing did God use that bad thing to do for God's people?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Inswers:

1. What bad thing did Jesus' enemies do to Jesus? They hurt Jesus and put Him on a cross to suffer and die.

2. What good thing did God use that bad thing to do for God's people? Jesus took the punishment for the sins of God's people when He suffered and died on the cross. Jesus rose from the dead on the third day, showing that He had really beat sin and death for them!

For You and Me:

We all disobey God. We need a Savior. Jesus can save us from our sins and make us God's people, too, when we repent of our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. God loves to help us do this!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #l

Assignment #2

Peter 3:18, ESV

Detective Dan's

Listening

"Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that He might bring us to God."

I. Who did Jesus die for?

2. Who did Jesus bring us to?



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

I. Who was the Son who came down?

2. Where did he come down from and what did he come to do?

l. This story starts out in the most amazing home there has ever

beauty, and light. A home better than anything you can imagine. A home always filled with love, and goodness, and happiness, and

God in all His glory. A place so perfectly wonderful that you never want to leave. Why? Because this home was heaven, the home where you can see



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2. But Someone DID choose to leave that perfectly wonderful home. It was Jesus, God's Son.

especially the closeness of God He enjoyed in all its fullness. Now, Jesus didn't leave because He didn't like heaven. He LOVED it,

But Jesus DID choose to leave this wonderful home.

be this Savior. Only He could bring us to God. who have rebelled against Him and need a Savior. Only Jesus could Why? Because of God's great love for people like you and me, sinners



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Son has come from heaven to be your Savior," at His birth. goodness. And angels, shining with God's brightness, sang: "God's But there were some ways Jesus was UNLIKEus when He was born. Jesus was perfect. He had no sin in His heart, only perfect love and

Yet, Jesus had only an animal feeding bowl (manger) to sleep in.

been anyone like Jesus, and there never will be again. God loved us to send His Son HERE to be our Savior! There has never How very different this new home was from heaven! How much



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4. When Jesus was all grown up, He taught people lots of things about God.

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5. One day, Jesus' enemies put Jesus on a cross to suffer and die. Jesus' body hurt so much! His spirit hurt so much, too.

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6. Jesus died on the cross that day. His friends buried His body in a cave-grave, sealed shut with a HUGE stone.

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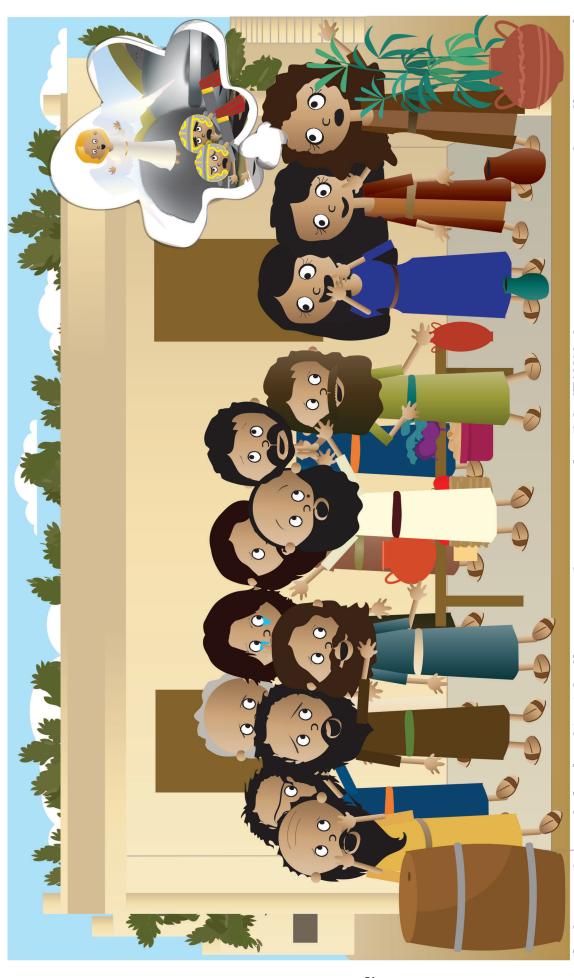


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8. Jesus' friends looked inside the cave. Sure enough... NO JESUS! Jesus was gone, just as the angel said!

really raised Jesus from the dead, never to die again. Jesus had beaten sin and death! Jesus' friends ran off to tell the others the good news: God had

God had completely forgiven His people for disobeying Him. Now, to have. Now, they would get to go to heaven to be with Jesus. they could have that special closeness with God He created them



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He had done it! closeness of God once more. Jesus came to bring us to God... and Then up went Jesus, back home to heaven, to fully enjoy all the



His good plans. He promised to send the Holy Spirit to live in their hearts, giving them closeness with God in their hearts, now. And one day, they would go to be with Him in heaven, enjoying God 9. Jesus appeared to his friends that day and many others. He told them more about God and and His people, fully and completely, forever. Then up went Jesus, back home to heaven, to fully enjoy all the closeness of God once more. Jesus came to bring us to God... and He had done it!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #l

I. Who was the Son who came down? Jesus, the Son of God.

2. Where did he come down from and what did he come to

do? He came down from heaven to bring us to God by being our Savior. For You and Me:

Isn't it amazing that Jesus would leave His wonderful home in Isn't it amazing that He heaven, so He could bring us to God! Isn't it amazing that He would love us so much to suffer and die for the sins of God's people, too, when we turn away people! We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. That is how from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. That is how from our sins and trust in Jesus de can know Him and enjoy Him Jesus brings us to God, so we can know Him and enjoy Him

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



"Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God."

1. Who did Jesus die for?

For the unrighteous--that is, for people like you and me who do bad things.

2. Who did Jesus bring us to?

To God. We can know God and live as His people because of Jesus!

For You and Me:

Only Jesus lived a perfect life that pleased God. He was perfectly good (righteous). But Jesus didn't just come to live a perfect life. He came to give up that perfect life as the full payment for the sins of God's people. Yes! Jesus gave up His life, so that we could be forgiven for all the bad things we do and could be God's people. You and I can become God's people, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you. He loves to answer this prayer!

Our Bible Truth is:
What Did Jesus Come to Do?
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!

The gospel is the good news that Jesus came to bring us to God. And oh, how we need this good news! You see, we all are unrighteous. That is, we have chosen to rebel against God, our good king. And for this, we deserve God's punishment. But God chose to send Jesus to live a perfect life and offer it up on the cross, as the full payment for the punishment we deserve. He died that we might know God and live with Him forever.

the end of the story. He rose up in victory on Day Three. He had beat sin and Jesus suffered and died on the cross. He was buried in a grave, but that wasn't death for God's people.

turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. And what a wonderful beginning that will be, if we do. We will get to know God in our hearts How can we become one of God's people, those who Jesus brings to God? By now. And then one day, we will go to live happily with God forever. That will be best of all!

A Prayer

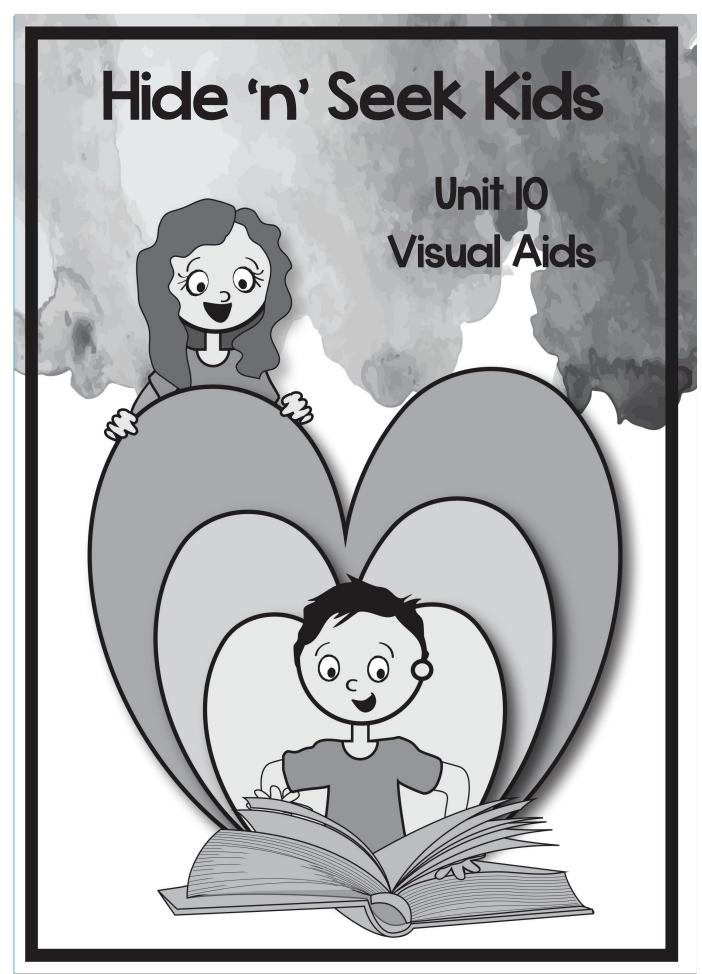
A Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God.

C God, You sent Jesus to save us, and we certainly do need a Savior! We are all sinners who choose to disobey You and Your good rules. We deserve Your punishment, not Your love. Please forgive us for disobeying You and Your good rules. Please rescue us from the punishment our sins deserve!

Savior. You took the punishment they deserved for disobeying God. You T Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross to save all who trust in You as their made the way to bring us to God.

S God, work in our hearts. Help us to see that we are sinners who have Help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to know You in our hearts even disobeyed you. Help us to turn away from our sins and ask You to save us. today.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



About Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids

How Are They Used?



The Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Hide 'n' Seek Kids Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

What Do They Include?





There are four different resources included in this book:

- **1. Key Concept Visual Aids--** colorful signs of the Big Question and Answer, the Bible Truth, the Bible verse, and the Listening Assignments to use with the 3 lessons for each Bible Truth.
- **2. The Story Scenes, themselves.** Notice that each scene is numbered and that there is a brief summary of the story that corresponds to the picture. You can actually just tell the story in a simple way by using only the text at the bottom of each Story Scene.
- **3. Directions** for making the Hide 'n' Seek Kids "Bible" Folder and the **back/front images** to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)
- **4. Directions** for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy Story Scene pictures are found in the back of this book.

Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. The Story Scenes can be put in sheet protectors or laminated, too.

Store It!



Hide 'n' Seek Kids is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manilla envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labelled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manilla envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

Replacement Story Scene Pictures



You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any scenes that go missing.

Other Options



You can also choose to tell the story in a more traditional flannelgraph way by using your own flannelgraph figures or by purchasing/free downloading the Storyboard Pictures (large and small format size avaiable). This is more complex and requires more preparation, but some love it. And, it does allow for kids to interact more by helping to place pictures up on the board as you tell the story.

Unit 10 Overview of Key Concepts

UNIT 10: The Holy Spirit, the Indwelling God

Unit Big Question (and Answer): "What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?" "He Changes Their Heart!"

Meaning:

God's Holy Spirit works in our heart as we hear God's Word, the Bible. He gives us the gift of faith in Jesus. He helps us to turn away from living for ourselves and live for God, instead. This is how we become God's people.

But that's just the beginning of what the Holy Spirit does in God's people! He goes on living inside of them their whole lives, helping them and changing their hearts. He helps them to know God and obey His laws. He helps them to love God and others as Jesus did. He comforts them when they are sad and helps them to be brave when they are scared. He helps them know the right way to live. The Holy Spirit in our hearts is God's wonderful gift to us, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Unit 10 Bible Verse: Ezekiel 36:26, ESV

"I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you."

Meaning:

We like to have our own way, and sometimes we choose to go against God's good ways to do what we want. This is called sin, and it comes from deep inside us in our hearts. We need new hearts, alive with love for God if we are to be God's people. Only God can give us new hearts. His Holy Spirit lives inside us and changes our hearts when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Unit 10 ACTS Prayer

- **A** God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.
- **C** God, we confess that we like our own way. Sometimes, we choose to disobey You to get what we want. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need new hearts.
- **T** Thank You, God, for being able to change our hearts. Thank You for sending Your Holy Spirit to live inside Your people and change their hearts. Thank You for sending Jesus, so we can be Your people.
- **S** God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send Your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts, that we might love You and live for You, more and more. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Unit 10 Story

The Case of the Heart Helper

Acts 1-2

Songs Used in Unit 10 *listen to or download songs for free at https://praisefactory.org: Hide n Seek Kids Music page*Big Q & A 10 Song

Big Question 10 Song: What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?

Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: A New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, ESV (other version)

Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: Within You Ezekiel 36:26, ESV (other version)

Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: You Shall Be Clean Ezekiel 36:25-27, ESV

Unit 10 Hymn: The Church's One Foundation, v.1

Unit 10 Praise Song: Create in Me a Clean Heart

Hide 'n' Seek Kids ESV Songs 10 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
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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.

UNIT 10: THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE INDWELLING GOD

12 Big Q & A 10 Song

13 Big Question 10 Song: What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?

15 Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: A New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, ESV (other version)

16 Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: Within You Ezekiel 36:26, ESV (other version)

17 Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: You Shall Be Clean Ezekiel 36:25-27, ESV

18 Unit 10 Hymn: The Church's One Foundation, v.1

19 Unit 10 Praise Song: Create in Me a Clean Heart

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^{*}T = Tidbit Shortest version of the Bible verse song

The Case of the Heart Helper

Acts 1-2



Question Briefcase

Story-telling Tips

Ahead of time:

- 1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
- 2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare Story Scenes, if using. (Included in the Visual Aids books)
- 3. Practice telling story with the Story Scenes, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary.

During your presentation:

- 1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
- 2. Put up Story Scenes/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 Heart Helper. Here is your listening assignment..."

Read from Detective Dan's Listening Assignment signs, but questions are summarized below:

(Note: These questions are most appropriate for older preschoolers)

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

I need to find out:

- 1. Who was the helper who was coming?
- 2. Whose heart would he come to live inside of?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Ezekiel 36:26: "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you."

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

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Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

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I need to know:

- 1. Which of these things was not in our story today?
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Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. Who did the disciples ask God to send?
- 2. Did God answer their prayers right away or did they have to wait? Why?

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. Who did God give the Holy Spirit to?
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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 questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all the questions."

"The Case of the Heart Helper" Acts 1-2

Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, optional interaction cues in italics) The numbers refer to storyboard pictures and aid picture placement on storyboard.

Walk and talk; show and tell. For one, two, three years Jesus walked around the land of Judah and talked to many people about God. He showed them what God was like and He did many amazing things, like heal sick people without medicine, and even raise the dead. Jesus told the people that He was the Messiah, the special one sent to save God's people from their sins.

Can you say, "Messiah"? That's the special Bible word for Jesus, our Savior.

Walk and talk; show and tell... For one, two, three years. Now it was all going to end! Jesus gathered together His special friends, the disciples, to tell them what would happen next: "The time has come for Me to leave you. My enemies are coming to get Me tonight. They will kill Me." Jesus told them. "And when they come for Me, you will all run away and leave Me."

What sad news this was for Jesus' friends! Jesus was going to leave them and die, and they wouldn't even be brave enough to stay with Him! This was so terrible that they could hardly believe it!

Can you show me your saddest face? That's how Jesus' friends felt about what was going to happen to Jesus.

The disciples weren't just sad; they were scared, too. They had walked and talked with Jesus day after day for three, whole years. If He left, who would show and tell them about God? They were so scared! How could they live without Jesus with them?

Jesus knew how sad and scared the disciples were. He comforted them: "Yes, My enemies will carry out their bad plans. They will kill Me. But God will be up to His good plans in it ALL! When I die, I'm going to make the way for you to go to heaven and live with God forever," Jesus told them. "I'm going there to prepare a place for you to come and be with Me," He promised them.

Think of your favorite place to go and your favorite people to be with. Life with God in heaven will be much, much better than that!

"And, even though I'm going away, I won't leave you alone. God," Jesus promised. "God, My Father will send you the Holy Spirit to help you. He will comfort you and make you bold and give you wisdom. He will always be with you, but He won't talk and walk alongside you like I did. No! He will come and live INSIDE YOU, showing and telling you what God is like...and that's even better!" Jesus told them.

What new place would God's Holy Spirit come to live and stay? Inside of God's people! How wonderful!

Later that night, everything started happening just like Jesus said it would—both bad and good. Jesus' enemies came for Jesus and Jesus' disciples ran away. His enemies took Jesus away to suffer and die on a cross. How terribly did Jesus hurt! But as He hurt, Jesus paid for all the sins of God's people with His perfect life so they could be forgiven by God. Jesus died that day and was buried in a cave-grave. But on the third day, Jesus rose up from the grave. He had really done it. Jesus had really beaten sin and death for God's people!

Yay! Jesus beat sin and death for God's people! Let's clap and cheer!

Jesus appeared to His friends, the disciples, on that wonderful, third day and on many more days afterwards. For forty fabulous days Jesus walked and talked with them, showing them and telling them more about God and His good plans. How happy the disciples were! Oh, how wonderful it was to have Jesus with them again, walking, talking, showing them and telling them about God!

Smile your biggest smile for how happy the disciples were to have Jesus with them again.

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

But on Day Forty, it was time for Jesus to go home to heaven. On a hill called the Mount of Olives, Jesus said goodbey to his friends. "I'm going home to heaven now, and I'm sending YOU out into the whole world. Now it's time for you to walk and talk, show and tell everyone about Me! I want them to know how they can be saved from their sins by trusting in Me as their Savior."

"This is BIG job. You can't do it on your own, but you don't have to!" Jesus promised them. "I am sending the Holy Spirit to come and live inside of you. He will change you. He will give you wisdom to know what to say and wisdom to understand God's Word, the Bible. He will make you bold to do all the things I want you to do. Go to the big city of Jerusalem. Gather the other disciples. I will send Holy Spirit to you there," Jesus told them. Then right before their eyes, the disciples watched Jesus rise off the ground, and go up, up, up through the clouds and up to heaven.

Jesus was gone. That was so sad! But the Holy Spirit was coming! That was so happy! "Come on! Let's go to Jerusalem and gather the others!" the disciples exclaimed. "Let's get ready for the Holy Spirit!"

So off to Jerusalem, the disciples went. They gathered the others together in a house. There were over a hundred of God's people, all together, waiting and excited! Day after day they waited and prayed. When would the Holy Spirit come? No one knew exactly, but they hoped it would be soon!

Close your eyes and fold your hands in prayer.

At last the day did come. God made sure everyone in Jerusalem knew about it, in a very big way!

As the disciples gathered, something that sounded like a great wind began to blow right inside their room! Then, something that looked like fire rested on each of them. Wow! Then came God's wonderful gift: His Holy Spirit came to live inside their hearts. It was amazing! Now they would know God in a new, very close way in their hearts. Now He would be with them as they walked and talked and showed and told the world about Jesus. The Holy Spirit would help them do the great, big job of telling the world about Jesus—starting right then!

Then, on that extra special, amazing, first day, the Holy Spirit gave the disciples an extra special, amazing gift! He helped them speak to others in languages they had never learned! They burst out of the house and began speaking to people about Jesus in these new languages. A huge, noisy crowd gathered near the disciples and wondered," What in the world is going on???!!!"

"Shhh. I'll tell you," the disciple Peter told the crowd. "Long ago, God promised to send the Holy Spirit to live inside His people in a new and special way. Today's the day His promise has come true! It's the gift He gives to all who believes in Jesus. If you turn away from your sins and believe in Jesus, God will save you and He will send His Holy Spirit to live inside you, too," Peter exclaimed.

This was such exciting news! Imagine: God's Holy Spirit living inside your heart, helping you know God and live for Him! Thousands of people in the crowd turned away from their sins and believed in Jesus that day. And God filled them all with His Holy Spirit, too. Oh, how wonderful it was to have this new, special closeness with God in their hearts! Oh, how wonderful it was to have His comfort and His help!

What a day that was, when God sent the Holy Spirit to live inside His people for the first time! Who could forget all that whooshing wind, fiery flames and speaking in new languages! But far better than all those wonderful, big things God did that day, was Who each one of God's people knew had quietly come to live in their hearts—God's Holy Spirit. How happy they were that He would go on living inside them every day of their lives. He would change them to be more like Jesus. He would walk and talk, show and tell the world about Jesus. And He still is doing that in His people, even today!

Let's clap and praise God for giving His people this wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit living inside their heart!

Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

- **1. Who was the helper Jesus promised to send?** The Holy Spirit.
- 2. How would He help God's people?

He would come to live in their heart, helping them to love God and live for Him.

For You and Me:

God sent the Holy Spirit to live inside God's people long ago; and, He still sends Him to live inside of them, even today. He is God's wonderful gift to all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Ezekiel 36:26: "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you."

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

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God wants us to love Him and live for Him, but He knows we cannot do this on our own. We need His Holy Spirit to live within us and change our hearts. God gives His Holy Spirit to all who turn from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

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For You and Me:

God showed the world in an exciting way that He was sending the Holy Spirit to live inside His people's hearts. How amazing was that wind and fire! But the most important thing that happened that day was the Holy Spirit who came quietly into each person's heart to live. When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will send the Holy Spirit to live in our hearts, too. There won't be wind and fire, like there was long ago. There will just be the Holy Spirit coming quietly into our hearts, helping us love God and live for Him.

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- **1. Who did the disciples ask God to send?** His Holy Spirit.
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For You and Me:

God always knows what is best for us. He even knows when it is the best time for us to receive His good gifts. How wonderful it is to be one of God's people! We can know God is always caring for us in the best way. It truly is the best gift of all We can be God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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- **1. Who did God give the Holy Spirit to?** All who turned away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.
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For You and Me:

God will send the Holy Spirit to live in us, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He will come quietly to live in our hearts. Then He will help us to know and love God and live for Him.

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)

Our Bible Truth is: What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? He Changes Their Heart!

The disciples were so sad when Jesus left! They missed Him so much! But what a wonderful gift the Holy Spirit was, when God sent Him to live in their hearts. The Holy Spirit gave them a new, special closeness with God. He helped them love God and live for Him. How excited the disciples were to tell others how they could be saved through Jesus and have the Holy Spirit live in their hearts, too.

We, too, can have the Holy Spirit live in our hearts. We can know God in this wonderful way, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to answer this prayer!

Close in prayer.

Closing Unit 10 ACTS Prayer

A=Adoration C=Confession T=Thanksgiving S=Supplication

- **A** God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.
- **C** God, we confess that we like our own way. Sometimes, we choose to disobey You to get what we want. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need new hearts.
- **T** Thank You, God, for being able to change our hearts. Thank You for sending Your Holy Spirit to live inside Your people and change their hearts. Thank You for sending Jesus, so we can be Your people.
- **S** God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send Your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts, that we might love You and live for You, more and more.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Return to page 7 of the Lesson Plan for the script of the rest of this lesson.



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 10:

What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? and the Answer is:

He Changes Their Heart!

Meaning:

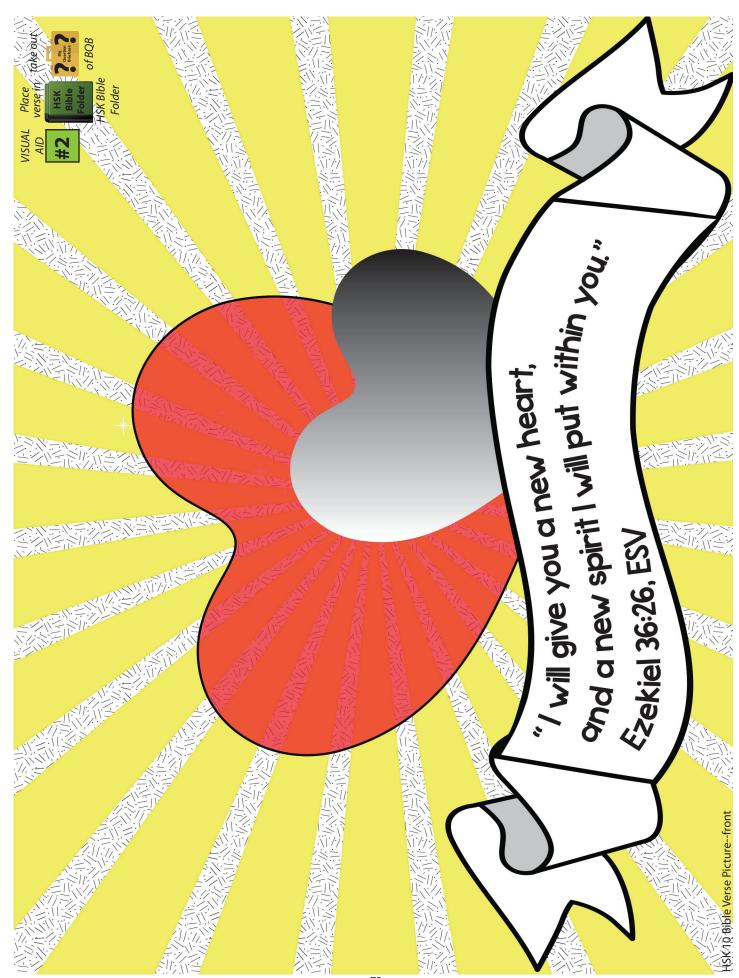
the Bible. He gives us the gift of faith in Jesus. He helps us to turn away from living for ourselves and to being to live for God instead. This is how we become God's people. But that's just the beginning of what the Holy Spirit does in God's people! He goes on living inside of them their whole lives, helping them and changing their hearts. He helps them to know God and obey His laws. He helps them to love God and others as Jesus did. He comforts them when they are sad and helps them to be brave when they are scared. He helps them know the right way to live. The Holy Spirit in our hearts is God's wonderful gift to us, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

Big Q & A 10 Song

HSKESV Songs 10, track 12 (adapted version of "Pop, Goes the Weasel")

What does the Holy Spirit do, Inside of God's people? What does the Holy Spirit do? He changes their heart!



Unit 10 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:

Ezekiel 36:26

"I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you."

Meaning:

We like to have our own way, and sometimes we choose to go against God's good ways to do what we want. This is called sin, and it comes from deep inside us in our hearts. We need new hearts, alive with love for God if we are to be God's people. Only God can give us new hearts. His Holy Spirit lives inside us and changes our hearts when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

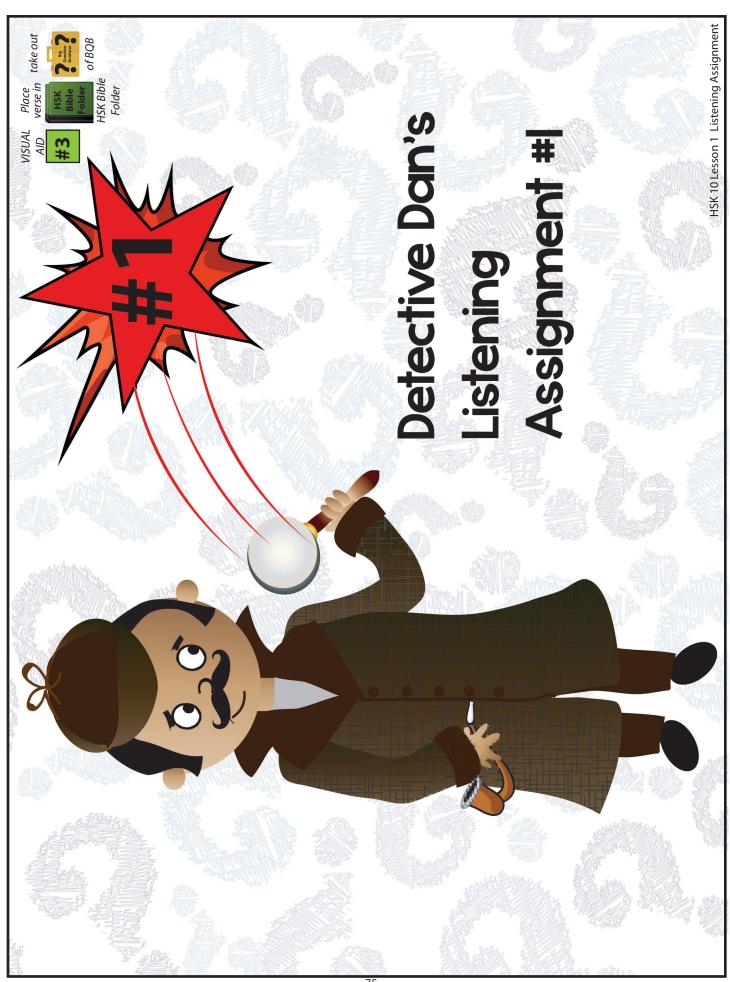
"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"

| Will Give You a New Heart: Ezekiel 36:26

HSK ESV Songs 10, track 14,14T

I will give you a new heart,
And a new spirit I'll put within you.
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Ezekiel Thirty-six, twenty-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?"





Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

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"The Case of the Heart Helper."



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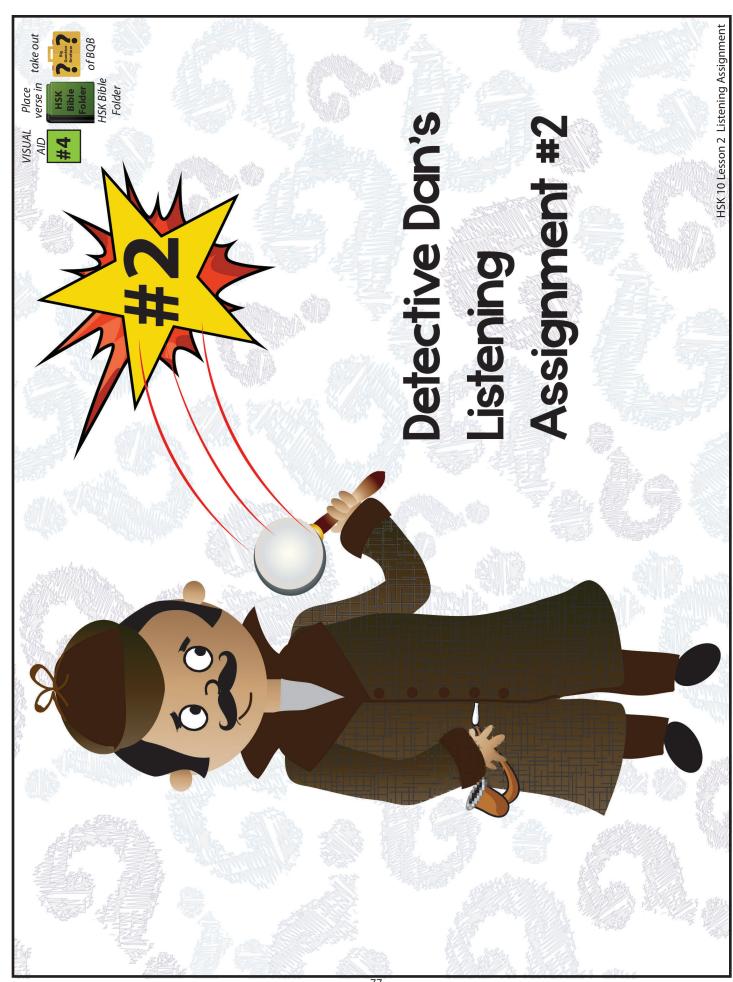
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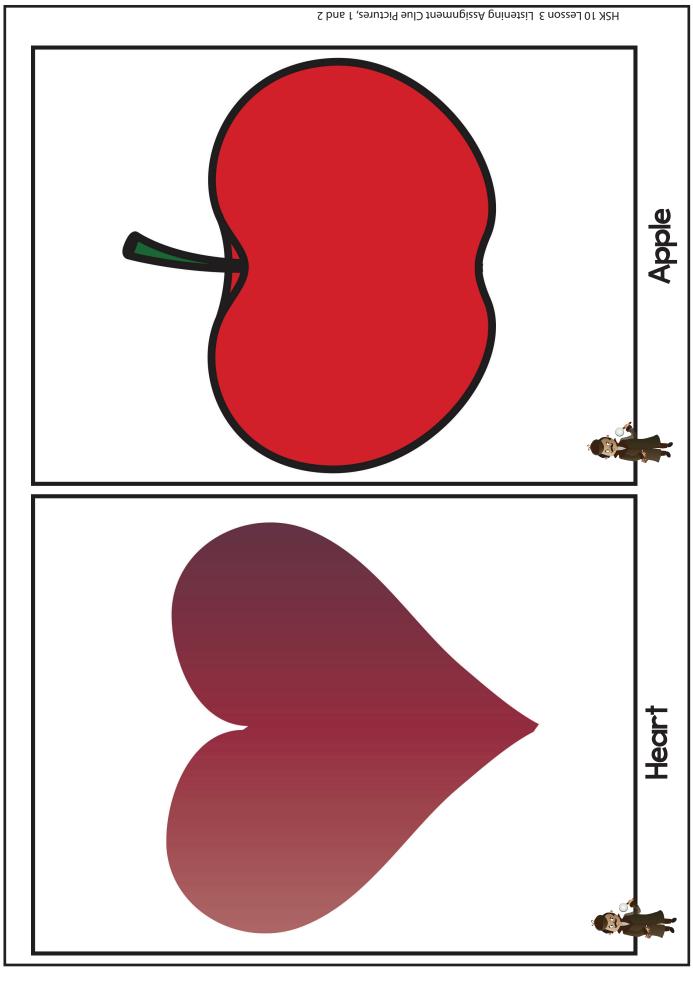
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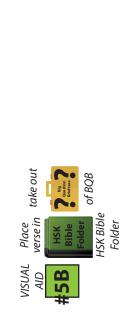




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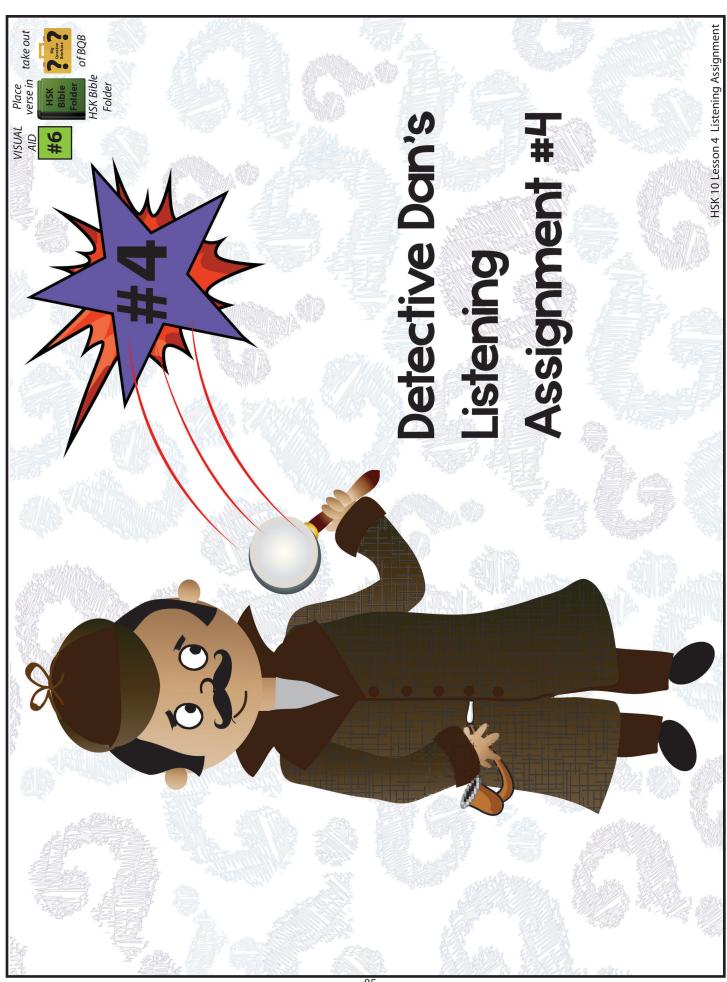
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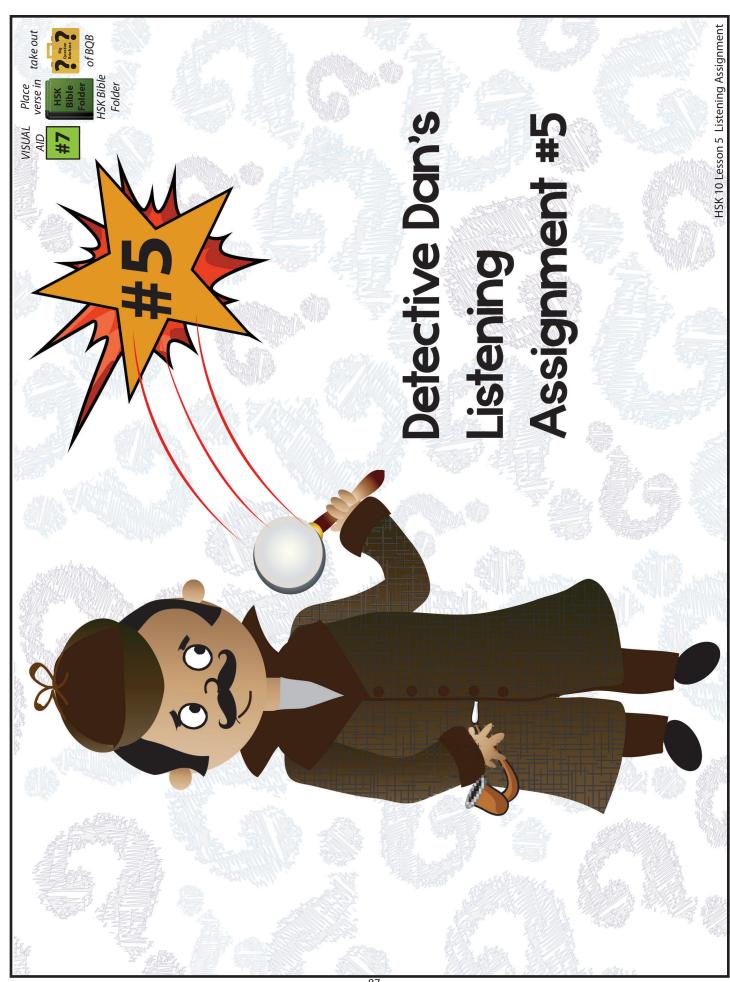
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Acts I-2 The Case of the Heart Helper



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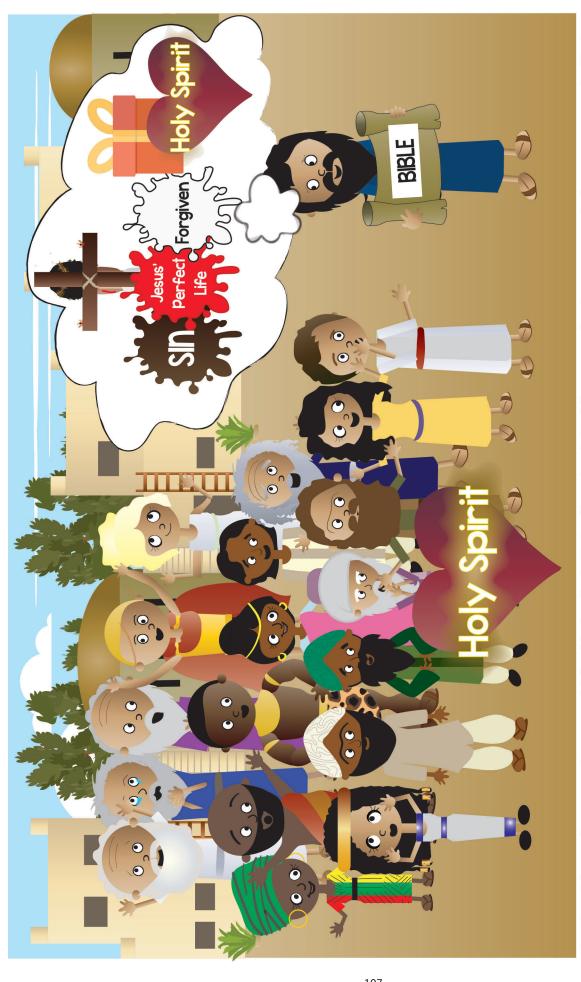


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The Case of the Heart Helper Acts I-2



SOLVE

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #l





Ezekiel 36:26, ESV

"I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you."

I. What did God promise to give to His people? He would put a new heart/new spirit within them. 2. Who would this new spirit be? What would He do? God's own Holy Spirit. He would change their heart and help them to love God and live for Him.

For You and Me:

God wants us to love Him and live for Him, but He knows we cannot do this on our own. We need His Holy Spirit to live within us and change our hearts. God gives His Holy Spirit to all who turn from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. He will give His Holy Spirit to us, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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But even though we all deserve God's punishment, God is so merciful that He chose to send His Son, Jesus, to become a man and to be our Savior. Jesus lived a perfect life and offered it up on the cross as the full payment for the sins of Jesus died and was buried, but on the third day, He rose up from the dead. He had beaten sin and death for God's people. Now, we can become God's people come to live in our hearts, if we do? You guesed it! God's Holy Spirit. He will live in when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. And Who will us and help us our whole lives, to love God and live for Him. Then one day, we will In the beginning, people rebelled against God. Sin came into their hearts. They deserved God's punishment and lost the special closeness they knew with God. Since then, we all have sinful hearts and all have chosen to rebel against God. go to live with God in heaven forever. That will be best of all! What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? He Changes Their Heart! God's people. Our Bible Truth is:

A Prayer

A God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.

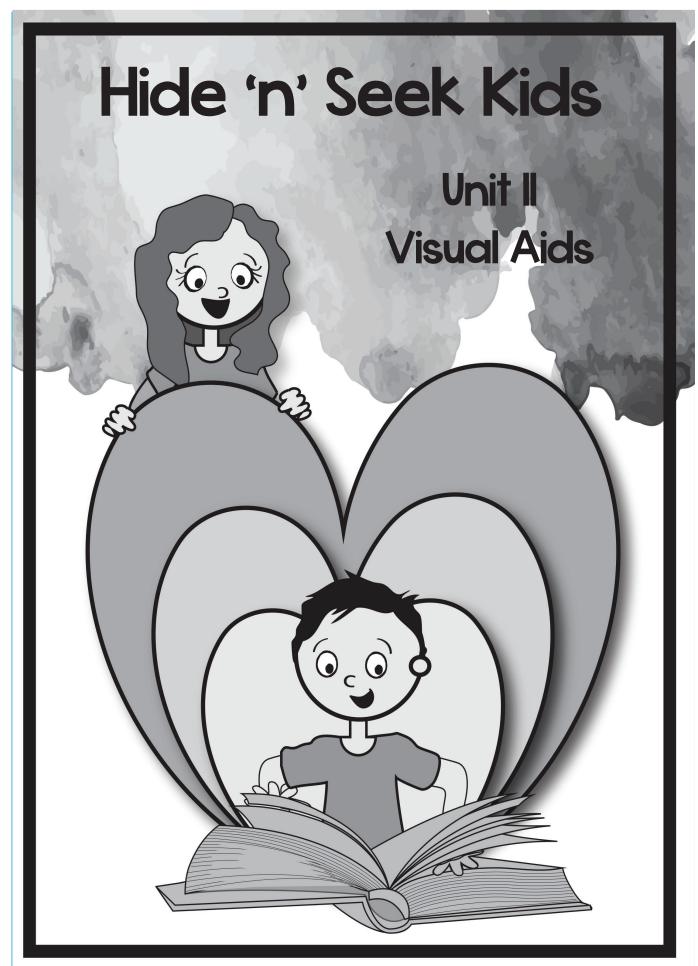
C God, we confess that we like our own way. Sometimes, we choose to disobey You to get what we want. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need new hearts.

Your Holy Spirit to live inside Your people and change their hearts. Thank You T Thank You, God, for being able to change our hearts. Thank You for sending for sending Jesus, so we can be Your people.

S God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send Your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts, that we might love You and live for You, more and more.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.





About Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids

How Are They Used?



The Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Hide 'n' Seek Kids Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

What Do They Include?





There are four different resources included in this book:

- **1. Key Concept Visual Aids--** colorful signs of the Big Question and Answer, the Bible Truth, the Bible verse, and the Listening Assignments to use with the 3 lessons for each Bible Truth.
- **2. The Story Scenes, themselves.** Notice that each scene is numbered and that there is a brief summary of the story that corresponds to the picture. You can actually just tell the story in a simple way by using only the text at the bottom of each Story Scene.
- **3. Directions** for making the Hide 'n' Seek Kids "Bible" Folder and the **back/front images** to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)
- **4. Directions** for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy Story Scene pictures are found in the back of this book.

Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. The Story Scenes can be put in sheet protectors or laminated, too.

Store It!



Hide 'n' Seek Kids is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manilla envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labelled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manilla envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

Replacement Story Scene Pictures



You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any scenes that go missing.

Other Options



You can also choose to tell the story in a more traditional flannelgraph way by using your own flannelgraph figures or by purchasing/free downloading the Storyboard Pictures (large and small format size avaiable). This is more complex and requires more preparation, but some love it. And, it does allow for kids to interact more by helping to place pictures up on the board as you tell the story.

Unit II Overview of Key Concepts

UNIT 11: The God Who Saves

Unit Big Question (and Answer): "How Can We Be Saved? It Is God's Free Gift!"

Meaning:

We have all disobeyed God. We have all lost the wonderful special closeness with God that He created us to have with Him. No matter how hard we try, we can never be good enough to win back special closeness with God. No, we can't save ourselves, but God can. That's why He sent Jesus: to save us as a free gift from Him. God promises to forgive the sins of all who turn away from disobeying Him and trust in Jesus as their Savior. God will give them special closeness with Himself right now. Then one day, He will take them to live with Him forever. This is the free gift God offers to you and me, too. God is so kind to us!

Unit 11 Bible Verse: Romans 6:23, ESV

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Meaning:

We all want to have eternal life. That is, we all want to know and enjoy God and all of His love forever. But the sad truth is that none of us deserve it. We have all turned away from God and His good ways. We all deserve God's punishment, not wonderful life with Him. But God, in His amazing mercy, sent His Son, Jesus, to live the perfect life we have never lived. He took the punishment we deserve for our sins. When we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, He gives us the free gift of eternal life. How good is God to sinners, like you and me!

Unit 11 ACTS Prayer

- A We praise You, God for being our Savior, who came to rescue us from our sins as Your free gift.
- **C** God, we know we choose to disobey You and Your good laws. We need a Savior. Please forgive us and help us to live for You.
- Thank You for sending Jesus to be the Savior we need. We could never save ourselves!
- **S** God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You. Help us to trust in Jesus as our own Savior. We want Your free gift!

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Unit 11 Story

The Case of the Most Important Question

Acts 16

Songs Used in Unit 11 *listen to or download songs for free at https://praisefactory.org: Hide n Seek Kids Music page*

Big Q & A 11 Song

Big Question 11 Song: How Can I Be Saved?

Unit 11 Bible Verse Song: The Free Gift of God Is Eternal Life Romans 6:23, ESV

Unit 11 Hymn: Grace Greater than All Our Sin, refrain

Unit 11 Praise Song: Blessed Be the Name

Hide 'n' Seek Kids ESV Songs II 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)

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.

UNIT 11: THE GOD WHO SAVES

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- 13 Big Question 11 Song: How Can I Be Saved?
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The Case of the Most Important Question

Acts 16

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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 Story Scenes, if using. (Included in the Visual Aids books)
- 3. Practice telling story with the Story Scenes, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary.

During your presentation:

- 1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
- 2. Put up Story Scenes/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 Most Important Question. 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 had one, important question?
- 2. What was the question?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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

- 1. Who was worried about his sins?
- 2. How did he find out about the gift of being saved through Jesus? DId he receive it?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

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

They are: a broken building; a earthquake; big sticks; and a rat.

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 picture was not in the story?
- 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. Who confessed their sins to God--that is, who told God they were sorry for disobeying Him and asked for God's forgiveness?
- 2. What did God do for this man?

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. What were Paul and Silas doing that got them into trouble?
- 2. Did they stop doing it, even after they got in trouble? Why or why not?

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 questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all the questions."

"The Case of the Most Important Question" Acts 16

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

One night in Troas, as Paul was sleeping, Jesus spoke to him in a dream, "Go tell the Greek people about Me." Paul obeyed Jesus. So off went Paul and his friend, Silas. They sailed across the Mediterranean Sea and went up to the big city of Philippi.

Now, many people went to Philippi because of the goldmines in the mountains. These people wanted to be rich, rich, rich. But God wanted to give the people something even better than lots of gold. Do you know what He wanted to give them?

Can you guess?

God wanted to give the people in Philippi eternal life through Jesus! We call this the gospel --the good news of God. The people of Philippi needed this good news very much. That's because they, like you and me and everyone else in the whole world, were sinners. They had all chosen to disobey God and deserved His punishment. But God chose to make a way to save them (and us), through Jesus! On the cross, Jesus paid for our sins with His perfect life, so we could be forgiven by God. And then, Jesus rose to life after being dead three days! He had beaten sin and death for God's people, and this proved it!

Now, God was sending Paul to tell the Philippian people this wonderful news, so they might turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus their Savior. Then God would forgive their sins and they would be His dearly loved people forever... and that is far, far, FAR better than gold!

When Paul and Silas arrived in Philippi, they went down to the river. They shared the gospel with the people gathering there to worship God. Some, like Lydia, listened and believed.

But back in town, others were angry. They didn't this gospel was good news at all! Can you make an angry face? That's how those people felt about Paul and Silas.

They hit Paul and Silas with big sticks. They hurt all over. Ouch! Ouch!

Can you say "ouch" like you are hurting all over your body?

They took Paul and Silas and put them in jail. They threw them in a dark room and tied up their feet.

Paul and Silas should have been crying. Boo, hoo! Boo, hoo! Their bodies hurt so much. Ouch, ouch!

Rub eyes as say, "Boo, hoo!" and hold body and say "Ouch!"

But Paul and Silas weren't crying! Do you know what they were doing? They were praying and singing to God. "Praise God! Praise God!" they sang.

Let's help Paul and Silas praise God: "Praise God! Praise God!"

Their bodies hurt. Ouch! Ouch! BUT, their hearts were happy! "We're happy we get to tell others about Jesus, even if we get hurt," Paul and Saul exclaimed. "We want people to hear how they can be saved. We know God will take care of us," they believed.

Do you think God would take care of them? Yes, He would. What do you think God did next?

Paul and Silas were right! God DID take care of them! Suddenly, the room shook and Paul and Silas' chains shook. Their bodies shook, too! Why, everything shook, shook! And then, the ground split wide open! What was going on?!

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

God had sent a HUGE earthquake!

The earthquake shook and shook and shook! It shook everything so much that the walls of Paul and Silas' room tumbled down.

Can you help me make the ground shake? Stomp your feet!

Their feet came loose from the chains... and THEY WERE FREE!

Can you make your feet move fast (in place) like you are running?

Now Paul and Silas could get away from the angry people who hurt them! "Run away, Paul! Run away, Silas! You can be free!"

But what's this? But Paul and Silas did NOT run away! Instead, they went right up to the jailer man. Wasn't he the one who had put them in that dark room and tied up their legs? What were Paul and Silas thinking!

What do you think they were going to do instead of run away?

Why weren't they running away? Because God had sent Paul and Silas to Philippi to give the people that gift that was better than gold and anything else. Can you remember what that gift was?

Can you remember? Eternal life!

God was about to use Paul and Silas to give that man that very wonderful gift of eternal life.

The jailer man fell down before Paul and Silas, trembling.

Can you make your body shake like you were trembling?

He had a big question for them. "Tell me, Paul. Tell me, Silas. What must I do to be saved?," the man asked them.

Paul and Silas were so happy! Here was someone else who wanted to hear about Jesus! "WE'D LOVE TO TELL YOU!" Paul and Silas said. They told the man the wonderful good news of Jesus--the gospel!

"Ask God to forgive your sins. Turn away from disobeying Him," Paul told the jailer man. "Ask Jesus to be your Savior. Yes, repent of your sins and believe in Jesus as your Savior, and God will save you. It is His free gift!" Paul exclaimed.

The Holy Spirit worked in that jailer man's heart as he listened to Paul and Silas. And do you know what that man did, right then and there? He asked God to forgive his sins. He turned away from disobeying God. He asked Jesus to be his Savior. Yes, right then and there, the Holy Spirit helped that man repent of his sins and trust in Jesus as his Savior.

And do you know what GOD did, right then and there? God forgave that jailer man and saved him through Jesus! This man had been a sad, trembling man, but not any longer! Now he was a happy, happy man! God had saved him through Jesus that very night! Paul and Silas were very happy, too! They praised God for getting to tell about His wonderful free gift of forgiveness through Jesus, and for seeing this man receive it!

Let's cheer really loud!" Yay!

Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. Who had the most important question? The jailer.
- **2. What was the question? Why was it so important?** "What must I do to be saved?" is the question, and it is so important because we all need to be saved.

For You and Me:

The jailer was right. His question was a very big question and it was a very good question. It's a question we all need to know the answer to. What was the answer Paul gave the man? He told him to turn away from disobeying God and to ask God to for forgiveness. He told him to trust in Jesus as his Savior. This is called repenting and believing. The man did this and he was saved! God will saved us, too, if we repent of our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

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

- 1. Who was worried about his sins? The jailer.
- 2. How did he find out about the gift of being saved through Jesus? Did he receive it? Paul told the jailer when he asked him. Yes, he did! He receive it! repented of his sins and trusted in Jesus that very night he heard it!

For You and Me:

That jailer isn't the only one who has sins to think about. We all have disobeyed God. We all need His forgiveness, if we are to know God and enjoy eternal life with Him. Just like the jailer, we can receive that wonderful gift of eternal life, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story. They are: a broken building; a earthquake; big sticks; and a rat.

- 1. Which of the three pictures belong in the story and which one does not? The rat does not.
- 2. How were the other three things important in our story? Paul and Silas got in trouble for telling the good news of Jesus. They were hurt with big sticks and put in prison. God sent an earthquake that shook the ground and broke the jail building. Paul and Silas could run away, but instead they went to the jailer. The jailer was

amazed and asked Paul what he must to do be saved. Paul shared the gospel with him, and the jailer was was saved!

For You and Me:

God is control over everything in this world. He uses it all for His good plans...even earthquakes and enemies! Paul and Silas knew they could trust God. So can we, when like the jailer, we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, as God's dearly loved people, we know He will use everything in our lives for the good, too.

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. Who confessed their sins to God--that is, who told God they were sorry for disobeying Him and asked for God's forgiveness? Who turned away from disobeying God and trusted in Jesus as his Savior? The jailer did.
- **2. What did God do for this man?** God forgave the jailer and made him one of His dearly loved people.

For You and Me:

God delighted to hear that jailer's prayer! He was happy to forgive his sins and make him one of His people. The same can be true for us. God wants to hear us tell Him how we have disobeyed Him and ask for His forgiveness. He loves to help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

<u>Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:</u>

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

- **1. What were Paul and Silas doing that got them into trouble?** They were telling the good news of Jesus.
- 2. Did they stop doing it, even after they got in trouble? Why or why not? They did not stop. They even told the jailer who hurt them with the sticks and had them put in jail! This was the most important message that everyone needed to know. Nothing would stop Paul and Silas from telling it!

For You and Me:

The good news of Jesus is as important to us as it was to the people back in Paul and Silas' time. We all still need to hear it, believe it, and tell it! We all need to turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will help us. Ask Him! He loves to answer this prayer!

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)

Our Bible Truth is: How Can We Be Saved? It Is God's Free Gift!

We all need God's free gift of salvation through Jesus, just like the man in our story. Why? Because ALL of us disobey God! We are ALL sinners! We need God to save us from the punishment we deserve for disobeying Him!

How can WE be saved? It's just like Paul and Silas told the man in our story: "Say 'sorry' to God for disobeying Him. Say 'no' to sin. Ask Jesus to be your Savior, and God will forgive you and save you. It is His free gift!"

Yes! When we turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will forgive us... and save us!

What a wonderful beginning that will be! We will get to know Him in our hearts now. Then one day, we will go to live happily with God forever.

Let's thank God and praise God right now for sending Jesus to save us! Let's ask Him to help us to say sorry to Him and trust in Jesus as our own Savior.

Close in prayer.

Closing Unit 11 ACTS Prayer

A=Adoration C=Confession T=Thanksgiving S=Supplication

- A We praise You, God for being our Savior, who came to rescue us from our sins as Your free gift.
- **C** God, we know we choose to disobey You and Your good laws. We need a Savior. Please forgive us and help us to live for You.
- **T** Thank You for sending Jesus to be the Savior we need. We could never save ourselves!
- **S** God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You. Help us to trust in Jesus as our own Savior. We want Your free gift!

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Return to page 7 of the Lesson Plan for the script of the rest of this lesson.



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 11:

How Can We Be Saved? and the Answer is: It Is God's Free Gift!

Meaning:

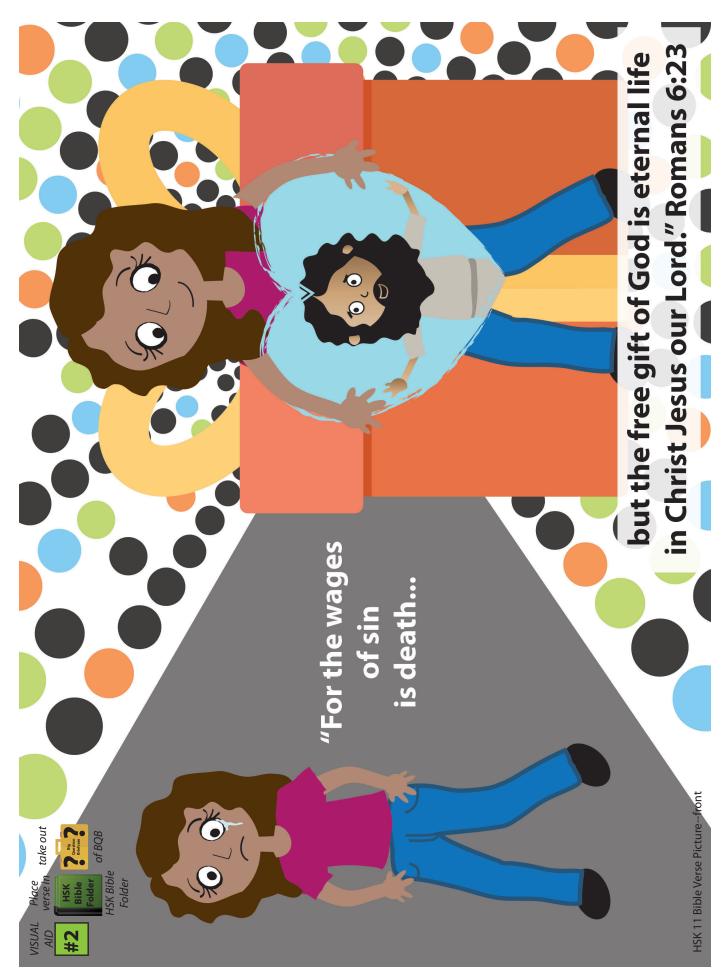
We have all disobeyed God. We have all lost the wonderful special closeness with God that He created us to have with Him. No matter how hard we try, we can never be good enough to win back special closeness with God. No, we can't save ourselves, but God can. That's why He sent Jesus: to save us as a free gift from Him. God promises to forgive the sins of all who turn away from disobeying Him and trust in Jesus as their Savior. God will give them special closeness with Himself right now. Then one day, He will take them to live with Him forever. This is the free gift God offers to you and me, too. God is so kind to us!

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

Big Q & A II Song

HSK ESV Songs 11, track 12 (adapted version of "Pop, Goes the Weasel")

How can we be saved?
How can we be saved?
How can we be saved?
It is God's free gift!



Unit II 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:

Romans 6:23, ESV

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Meaning:

We all want to have eternal life. That is, we all want to know and enjoy God and all of His love forever. But the sad truth is that none of us deserve it. We have all turned away from God and His good ways. We all deserve God's punishment, not wonderful life with Him. But God, in His amazing mercy, sent His Son, Jesus, to live the perfect life we have never lived. He took the punishment we deserve for our sins. When we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, He gives us the free gift of eternal life. How good is God to sinners, like you and me!

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

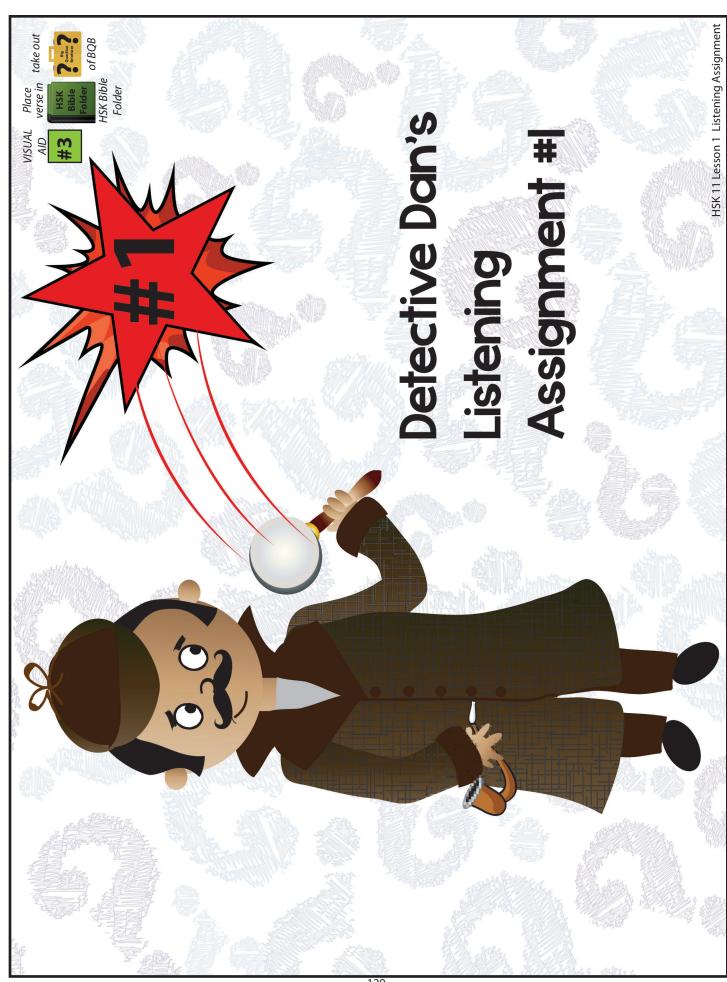
The Free Gift of God: Romans 6:23

HSK ESV Songs 11, track 14,14T

The free gift of God is,
The free gift of God is,
The free gift of God is....what?
The free gift of God is eternal life
Through Jesus, through Jesus,
The free gift of God is eternal life
Through Jesus. (repeat)

Romans Six, twenty-three.

"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?"



Listening Assignment #1 Detective Dan's



Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

"The Case of the Most Important Question." I'm working on a brand-new case called:

need to find out:

l. Who had one, important question?

2. What was the question?

you might just hear the answers! Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and

Detective Dan Thanks!

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

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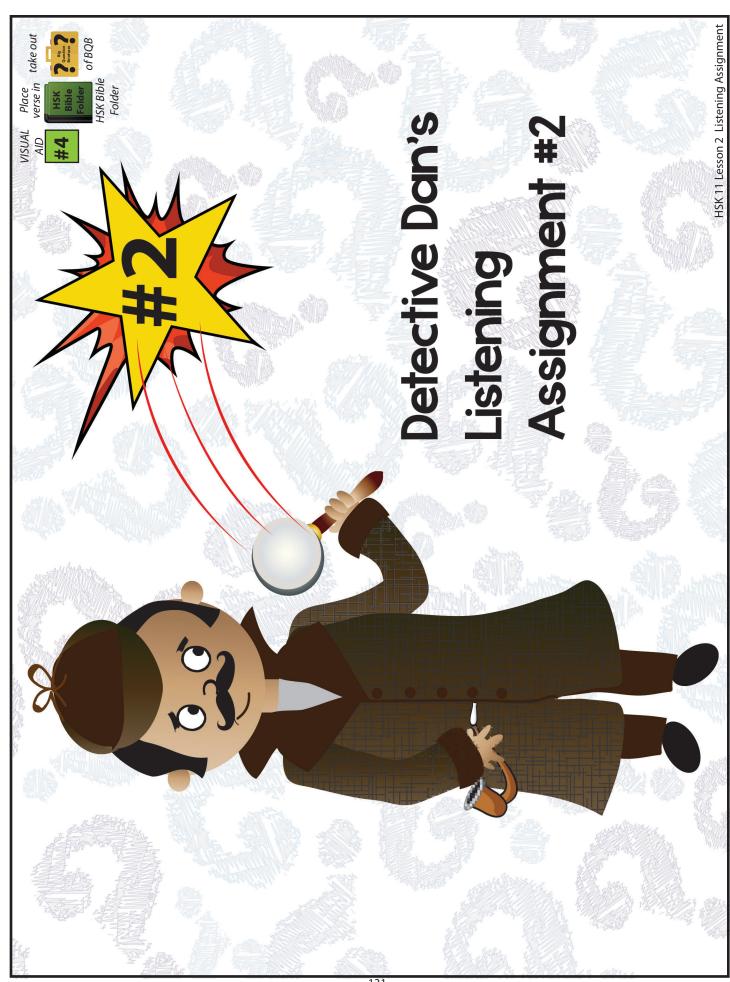
of the story text.* *Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end

Answers:

- 1. Who had one, important question? The jailer.
- 2. What was the question? "What must I do to be saved?"

For You and Me:

the answer Paul gave the man? He told him to turn away from disobeying our Savior. saved! God will saved us, too, if we repent of our sins and trust in Jesus as good question. It's a question we all need to know the answer to. What was Savior. This is called repenting and believing. The man did this and he was God and to ask God to for forgiveness. He told him to trust in Jesus as his The jailer was right. His question was a very big question and it was a very



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Most Important Question."



Our Bible verse is Romans 6:23:

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

need to find out:

. Who was worried about his sins? The jailer.

2. How did he find out about the gift of being saved through Jesus? Dld he receive it?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks for your help!

Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

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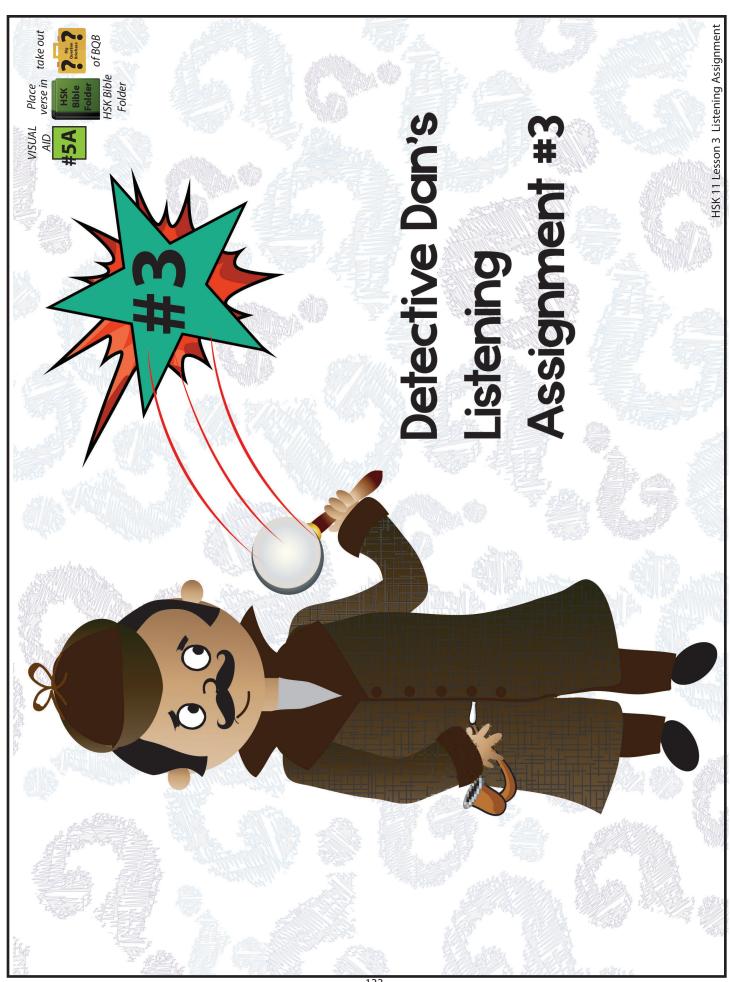
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As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:

- 1. Who was worried about his sins? The jailer.
- 2. How did he find out about the gift of being saved through Jesus? Dld he receive it? Paul told the jailer when he asked him. Yes, he did! He receive it! repented of his sins and trusted in Jesus that very night he heard it!

For You and Me:

That jailer isn't the only one who has sins to think about. We all have disobeyed God. We all need His forgiveness, if we are to know God and enjoy eternal life with Him. Just like the jailer, we can receive that wonderful gift of eternal life, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3



I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Most Important Question."



I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story.
They are: a broken building; an earthquake; big sticks;
and, a rat.

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.

need to know:

I. Which of the four pictures does not belong in the story?

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2. How were the other three things important in our story?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

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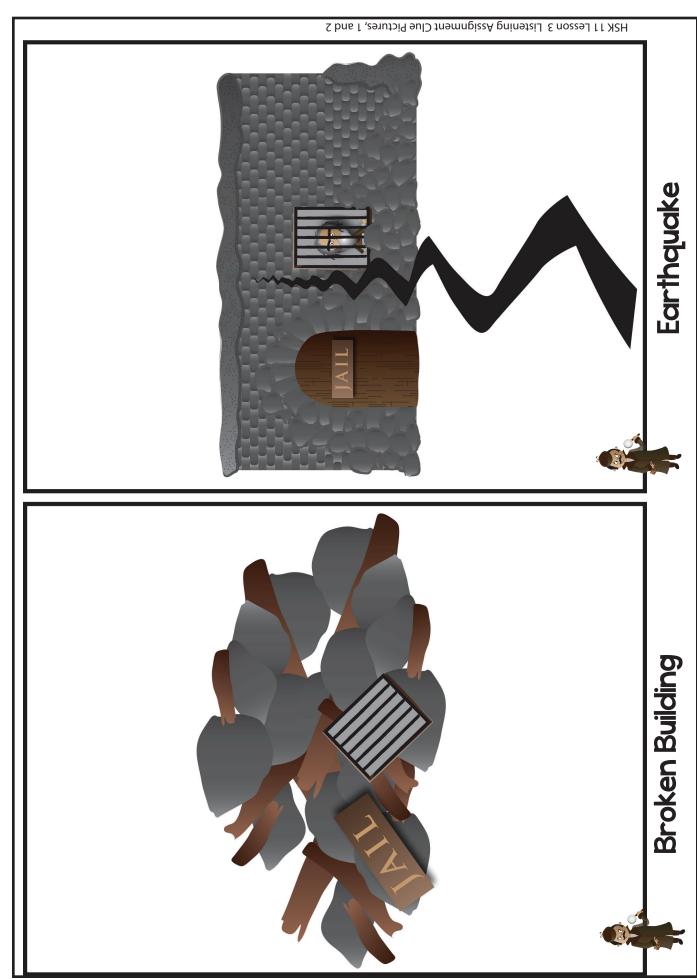
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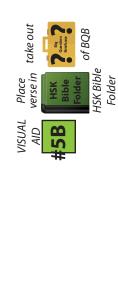
Answers:

- Which of the four pictures does not belong in the story? The rat does not.
- 2. How were the other three things important in our story? Paul and Silas got in trouble for telling the good news of Jesus. They were hurt with big sticks and put in prison. God sent an earthquake that shook the ground and broke the jail building. Paul and Silas could run away, but instead they went to the jailer. The jailer was amazed and asked Paul what he must to do be saved. Paul shared the gospel with him, and the jailer was saved!

or You and Me:

God is control over everything in this world. He uses it all for His good plans... even earthquakes and enemies! Paul and Silas knew they could trust God. So can we, when like the jailer, we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, as God's dearly loved people, we know He will use everything in our lives for the good, too.





HSK 11 Lesson 3 Listening Assignment Clue Picture1 for kids

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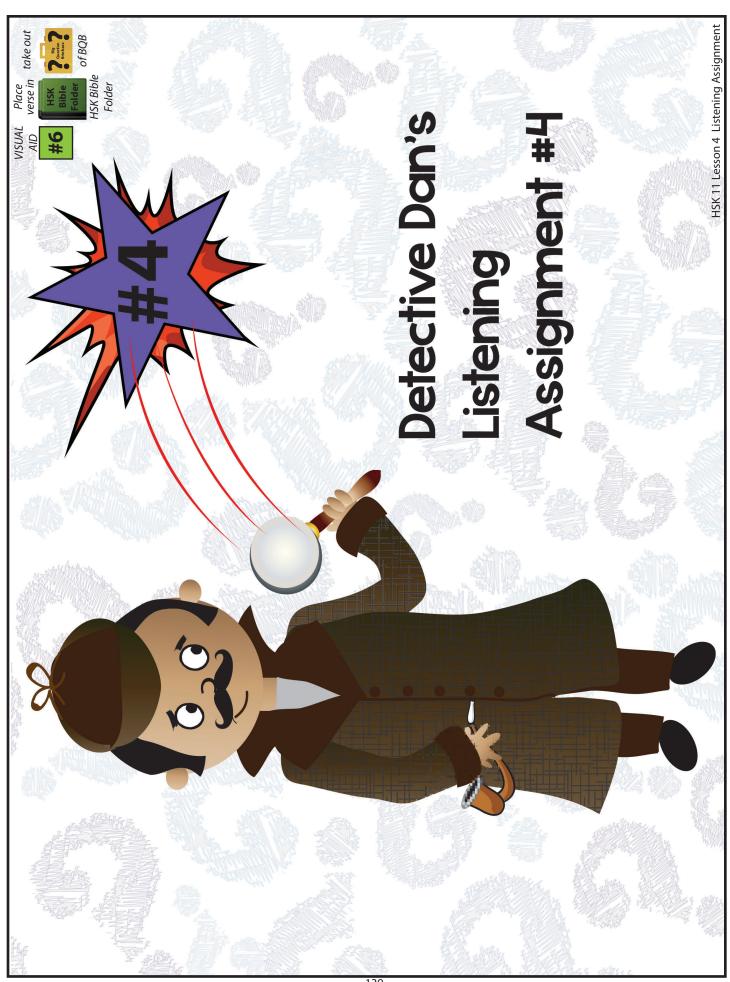


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Place verse in take out

VISUAL AID #5B



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #4

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Most Important Question."

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Answers:

- 1. Who confessed their sins to God--that is, who told God they were sorry for disobeying Him and asked for God's forgiveness? Who turned away from disobeying God and trusted in Jesus as his Savior? The jailer did
- 2. What did God do for this man? God forgave the jailer and made him one of His dearly loved people.

For You and Me:

God delighted to hear that jailer's prayer! He was happy to forgive his sins and make him one of His people. The same can be true for us. God wants to hear us tell Him how we have disobeyed Him and ask for His forgiveness. He loves to help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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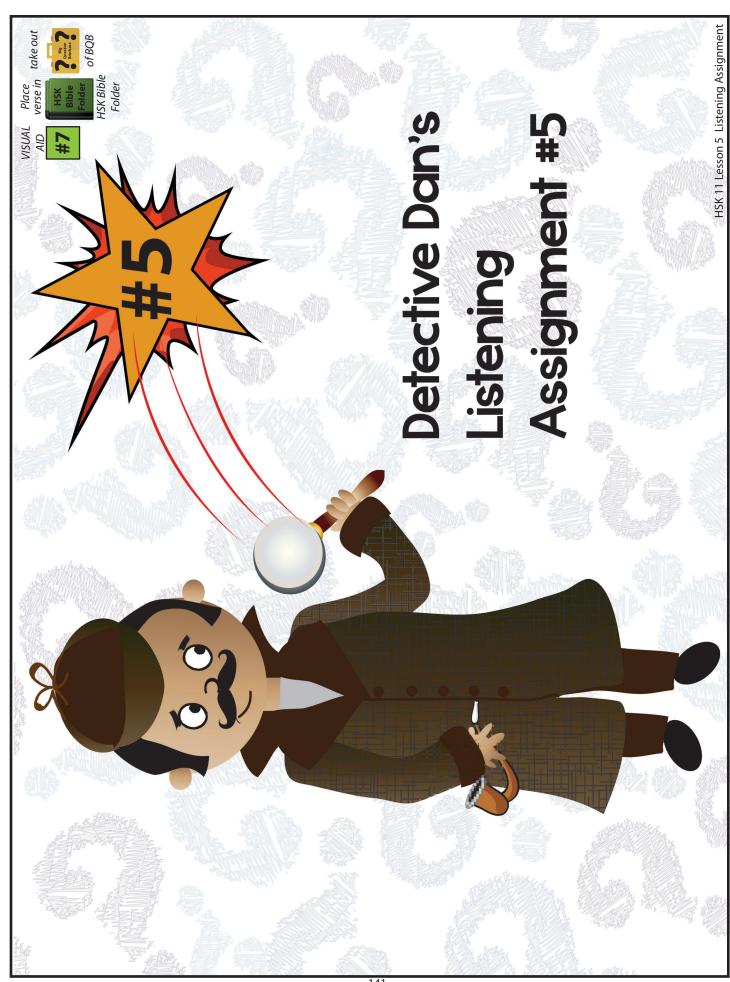
I. Who confessed their sins to God--that is, who told God they were sorry for disobeying Him and asked for God's forgiveness? Who turned away from disobeying God and trusted in Jesus as his Savior?

AND

2. What did God do for this man?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #5

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Most Important Question."



need to find out:

I. What were Paul and Silas doing that got them into trouble?

2. Did they stop doing it, even after they got in trouble? Why or why not?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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nswers:

1. What were Paul and Silas doing that got them into trouble? They were telling the good news of Jesus.

2. Did they stop doing it, even after they got in trouble? Why or why not? They did not stop. They even told the jailer who hurt them with the sticks and had them put in jail! This was the most important message that everyone needed to know. Nothing would stop Paul and Silas from telling it!

For You and Me:

The good news of Jesus is as important to us as it was to the people back in Paul and Silas' time. We all still need to hear it, believe it, and tell it! We all need to turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will help us. Ask Him! He loves to answer this prayer!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #I





Romans 6:23, ESV

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

I. Who was worried about his sins?

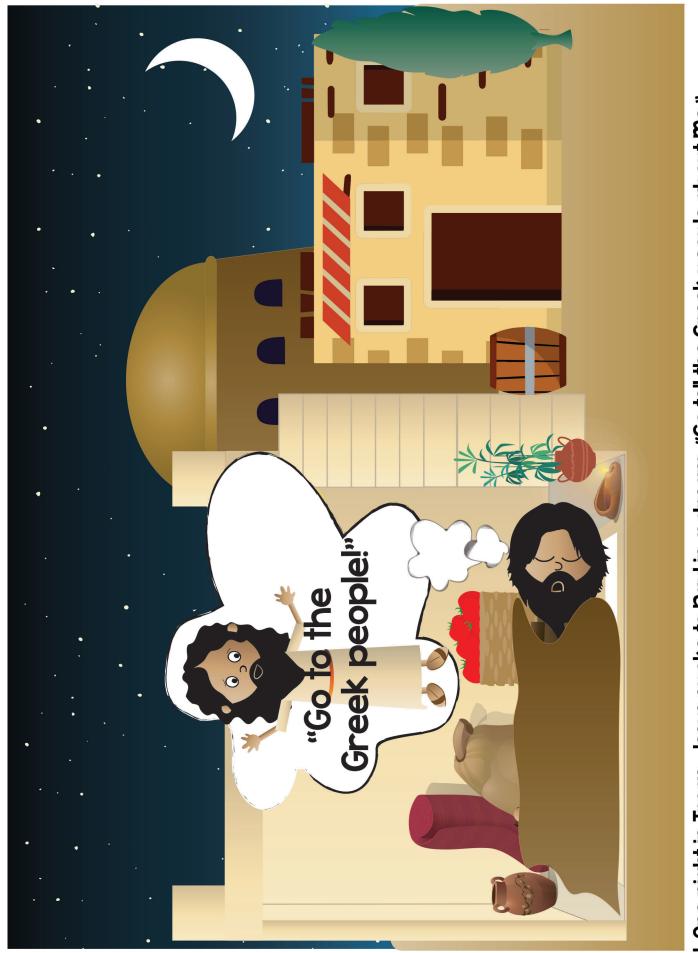
2. How did he find out about the gift of being saved through Jesus?
Did he receive it?

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

I. Who had the most important question?

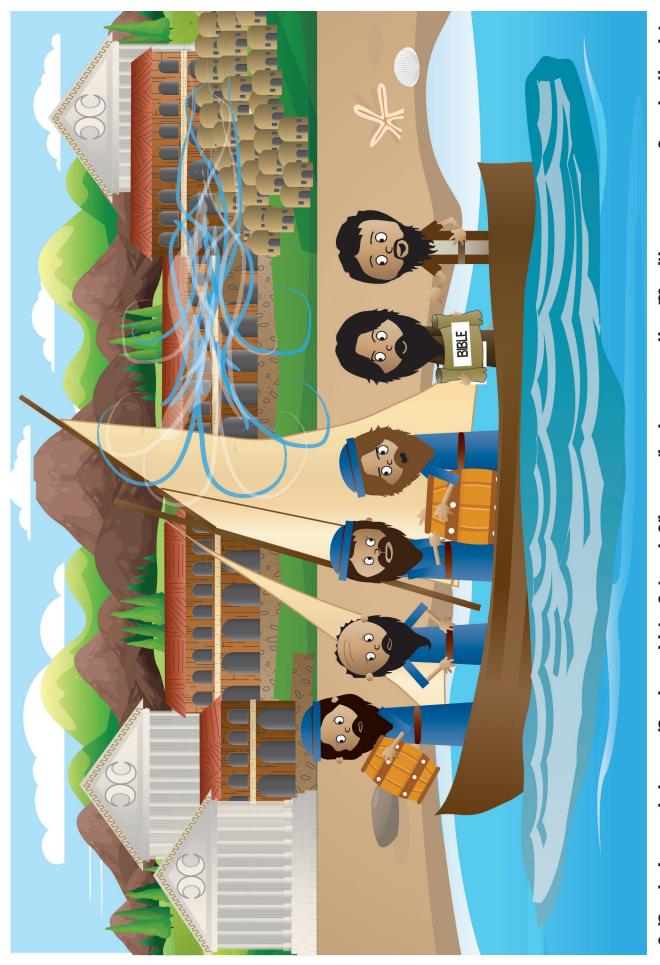
2. What was the question? Why was it so important?

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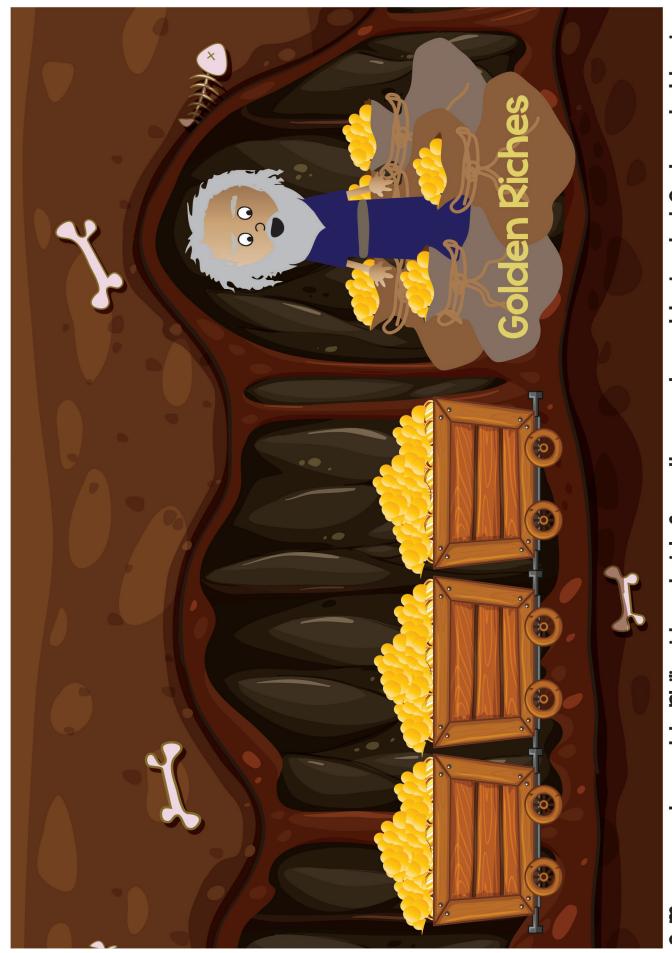
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4. God wanted them to hear about His eternal riches --the good news of Jesus-- that they might turn from disobeying Him and trust in Jesus their Savior. Then, God would forgive their sins, and they would become His dearly loved people forever. Now THAT is far, FAR better than gold!

5. When Paul and Silas arrived in Philippi, they went down to the river. They shared the gospel with the people gathering there to worship God.

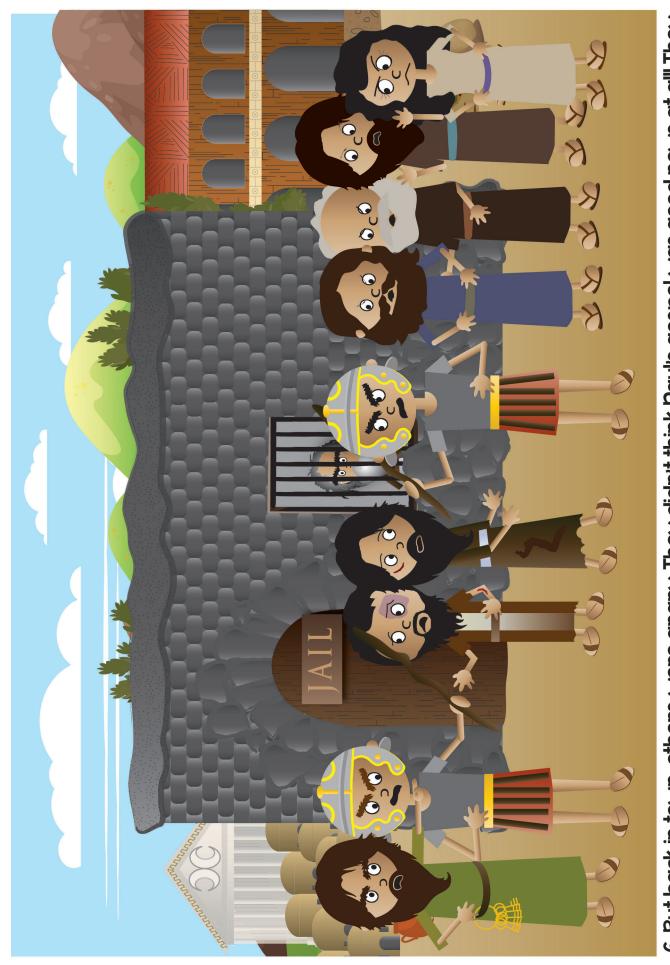
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7. They put Paul and Silas in jail. Oh, how Paul and Silas hurt!

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8. Paul and Silas were right. God DID take care of them.

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Romans 6:23, ESV

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The jailer.

2. How did he find out about the gift of being saved through Jesus? Did he receive it?

Paul told the jailer how when he asked him. And that very night, the jailer repented of his sins and trusted in Jesus as his Savior

For You and Me:

That jailer isn't the only one who has sins to think about. We all have disobeyed God. We all need His forgiveness, if we are to know God and enjoy eternal life with Him. Just like the jailer, we can receive that wonderful gift of eternal life, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

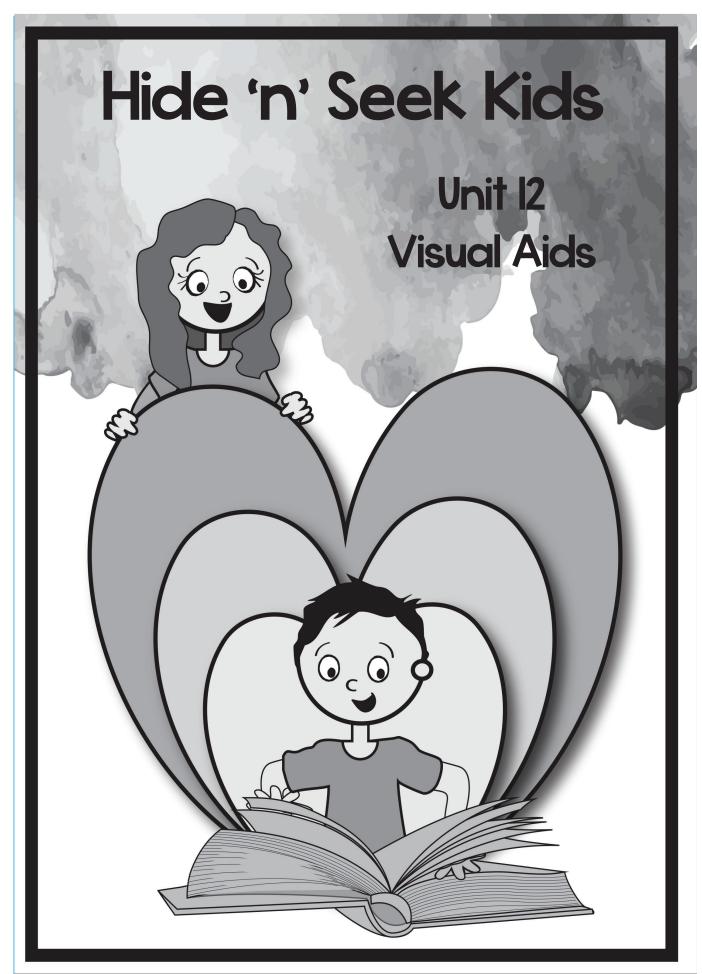
I. Who had the most important question?

The jailer.

2. What was the question? Why was it so important? "What must I do to be saved?" is the question, and It is so important because we all need to be saved. For You and Me:
The jailer's question is the most important question for us, too.
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We all need to know how we can be saved. What was the answer paul gave the jailer? Paul told him to turn away from answer paul gave the jailer? Paul told him to trust in Jesus as his Savior. This is called repenting and man to trust in Jesus as his, and he was saved! God will save believing. The man did this, and he was saved! God will save us, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you.

But even though we all deserve God's punishment, God has been so merciful to Jesus. Why? Because we ALL disobey God! We ALL are sinners! That's why we wus! He chose to send His Son, Jesus, to become a man and to be our Savior. Jesus Jesus died and was buried that day. But then on the third day, He rose up from Just like the man in our story, we all need God's free gift of salvation through lived a perfect life, then offered it up on the cross as the full payment for the the dead. Jesus had beaten sin and death for God's people, and this proved it! Now, we can become God's people, when we turn away from our sins and trust And if we do this, God's Holy Spirit will come live inside us, helping us love God and ALL need God to save us from the punishment we deserve for our sins. live for Him. Then one day, we will go to live with God in heaven forever in Jesus as our Savior. This is how we can be saved. That will be best of all! sins of God's people. How Can We Be Saved? It Is God's Free Gift! Our Bible Truth is:

A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!) Thank You for sending Jesus to be the Savior we need. We could never save We praise You, God for being so full of mercy! You are the Savior. You came C God, we know we choose to disobey You and Your good laws. We need you God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You. Help us to rescue us from our sins. It was Your free gift that we could never to trust in Jesus as our own Savior. We want Your free gift! to save us. Please forgive us and help us to live for You. A Prayer In Jesus' name we pray, Amen. ourselves! deserve. S



About Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids

How Are They Used?

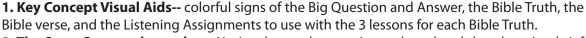


The Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Hide 'n' Seek Kids Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

What Do They Include?









2. The Story Scenes, themselves. Notice that each scene is numbered and that there is a brief summary of the story that corresponds to the picture. You can actually just tell the story in a simple way by using only the text at the bottom of each Story Scene.



- 3. Directions for making the Hide 'n' Seek Kids "Bible" Folder and the back/front images to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)
- 4. Directions for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy Story Scene pictures are found in the back of this book.

Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. The Story Scenes can be put in sheet protectors or laminated, too.

Store It!



Hide 'n' Seek Kids is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manilla envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labelled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manilla envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

Replacement Story Scene Pictures



You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any scenes that go missing.

Other Options



You can also choose to tell the story in a more traditional flannelgraph way by using your own flannelgraph figures or by purchasing/free downloading the Storyboard Pictures (large and small format size avaiable). This is more complex and requires more preparation, but some love it. And, it does allow for kids to interact more by helping to place pictures up on the board as you tell the story.

Unit 12 Overview of Key Concepts

Unit 12: God's People Live for Him

Unit Big Question (and Answer): "How Should God's People Live? They Should Live Like Jesus!

Meaning:

We become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. When we do, God forgives our sins and we begin a whole new way of life. God's people no longer live life just to please themselves. They want to honor God with their whole lives, like Jesus did. They seek to love God most of all and love all people, too.

Unit 12 Bible Verse: Ephesians 5:1-2

"Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us."

Meaning:

When you imitate someone, you try to act like them. God's people honor God by imitating His good ways. There's no one better for us to imitate than Jesus Christ, God's Son. He loved God and loved others in everything He did. His perfect life shows us how God wants us to live. God's people know they are God's dearly loved children. How they want to live like Jesus did!

Unit 12 ACTS Prayer

- **A** God, we praise You for giving us Jesus, so we can know how You want us to live.
- **C** God, many time we don't love You or others as You want us to. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!
- Thank You, God for promising to help us live like Jesus, by Your Holy Spirit.
- **S** Please work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to live like Jesus did, loving others and loving You most of all. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Unit 12 Story

The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back

Philemon

Songs Used in Unit 12 *listen to or download songs for free at https://praisefactory.org: Hide n Seek Kids Music page*

Big Q & A 12 Song

Big Question 12 Song: How Should God's People Live Each Day? Unit 12 Bible Verse Song: Walk in Love Ephesians 5:1-2, ESV

Extra Unit 12 Bible Verse Song: Let Everyone Who Names the Name 2 Timothy 2:19,22, ESV

Unit 12 Hymn: Trust and Obey, v.1

Unit 12 Praise Song: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Hide 'n' Seek Kids ESV Songs 12 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 12: GOD'S PEOPLE LIVE FOR HIM

- 12 Big Q & A 12 Song
- 13 Big Question 12 Song: How Should God's People Live Each Day?
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- 15 Extra Unit 12 Bible Verse Song: Let Everyone Who Names the Name 2 Timothy 2:19,22, ESV
- 16 Unit 12 Hymn: Trust and Obey, v.1
- 17 Unit 12 Praise Song: I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

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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.

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The Book of Philemon

Story-telling Tips

Ahead of time:

- 1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
- 2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare Story Scenes, if using. (Included in the Visual Aids books)
- 3. Practice telling story with the Story Scenes, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary.

During your presentation:

- 1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
- 2. Put up Story Scenes/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 Runaway Who Ran Back. 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 ran away?
- 2. Why did he run back?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Ephesians 5:1,2: "Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us."

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

- 1. What did Onesimus know he needed to do to live a life of love toward Philemon?
- 2. How could Philemon live a life of love to Onesimus when Onesimus asked him for forgiveness?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

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

They are: a hiding man; a house; a letter (scroll); a house; and, a monkey.

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 picture does not belong in the story?
- 2. How are the other three pictures important in the story?

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. Who asked Jesus to be his Savior?
- 2. What did they ask God to help them do, after they trusted in Jesus as their Savior?

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

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

- 1. Who heard the good news of Jesus and believed?
- 2. How did they change after 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 questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all the questions."

"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back" The Book of Philemon

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

Philemon was a rich man who lived in the city of Colossae. He had a family and a big house with lots of land, and animals, and people who worked for him.

Philemon was a very rich man in another way, too. He had been given a very special gift from God-- the one gift that makes a person richest of all. Can you guess what gift Philemon had been given?

Can you guess? We learned about it in our last story?

God had given Philemon the gift of eternal life through Jesus!

Philemon had travelled to a faraway city. And who happened to be there in that city at the same time? It was Paul! And I bet you can guess what Paul was doing there. He was sharing the gospel--the good news of Jesus-- with all who would listen. Philemon stopped and listened with the others. This is gospel Paul told them:

"We are all sinners who disobey God. But God chose to send His Son, Jesus, to bring us to back to Him!" Paul explained. "Jesus suffered and died on the cross. He paid for all the sins of God's people with His own, perfect life, so they could be forgiven by God. On the third day, Jesus rose up from the dead. He had beaten sin and death for God's people!" Paul told them. "Come, be one of God's people! Turn away from your sins! Trust in Jesus as your Savior and live for Him!" he invited them. "God wants to give you the wonderful gift of eternal life with Him."

The Holy Spirit worked in Philemon's heart as he listened. He turned away from his sins and trusted in Jesus as his Savior. God forgave his sins and Philemon became one of God's dearly loved people!

Philemon was so happy and so was Paul! "Thank you so much for telling me about Jesus!" Philemon told Paul. "I may be a rich man, but the gift of eternal life through Jesus is better than any riches!" Philemon now knew. He was so grateful to Paul.

But that was just the beginning. The Holy Spirit kept working inside of Philemon's heart. He helped him love God and live for Him more and more. So, when Philemon went home, he did things differently.

What are some things God might want Philemon to do, as one of His people?

Philemon prayed to God and asked for His help to live each day for Him, and God did! Philemon told others the gospel--the good news of Jesus. They turned from their sins and trusted in Jesus as their Savior, too. Soon, a little church of people gathered at Philemon's big house each week to worship God and help each other live for Him. How happy Philemon was!

Yes, Philemon was very happy, but there was someone else at Philemon's house who was NOT happy at all! His name was Onesimus.

Onesimus was a worker at Philemon's house. Day after day, Onesiums worked. And day after day, Onesimus was unhappy. Onesimus became so unhappy that he decided to run away to a faraway city and never come back!

So...when no one was looking...sneak, sneak, sneak, went Onesimus away from Philemon's house. Onesimus ran and hid. Then he ran some more. Onesimus knew it was wrong to run away, but he did it anyway.

Run, run, run, Onesimus! Hide, hide, hide, Onesimus!

Can you crouch down and pretend like you are hiding like Onesimus did?

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

Philemon looked all over for Onesimus. Philemon was sad. Philemon was MAD! Onesimus was his worker! It was very, very bad that he ran away! If Philemon ever finds Onesimus, he will be in BIG trouble!

Philemon looked and looked, but he never found Onesimus. Onesimus had run away far, far away--all the way to the big city of Rome. There, among all those big buildings and all of those crowds of people, Onesimus hoped he could hide and never be seen by Philemon!

Onesimus was right. Philemon never saw him in that big city, but someone else DID see him. Someone who knew Philemon, and had shared with him the good news of Jesus. Can you guess who it was?

It was Paul! What would Paul do with Onesimus? Would he capture Onesimus and send him back to Philemon? Would he get Onesimus in trouble? Let's see...

Is Paul going to get Onesimus in trouble? What do you think?

Paul talked with Onesimus. He shared with him the gospel--the good news of Jesus. And as Paul talked, the Holy Spirit worked in Onesimus' heart, and he believed! Onesimus turned away from disobeying God and trusted in Jesus as His Savior. God forgave Onesimus, and gave him the gift of eternal life. Onesimus had become one of God's people. He and Paul were so happy!

Let's cheer "yay"! Onesimus is one of God's people now!

But that was just the beginning. The Holy Spirit kept on working inside of Onesimus, helping him love God and live for Him more and more. God used Paul to help Onesimus, too.

"God's people turn to God when they are in trouble. They don't run away," Paul told Onesimus. "They ask Him to help them do the right thing. You must go back and make things right with Philemon. This is what pleases God," Paul urged him.

"I will help you, too," Paul told Onesimus. "I will write a letter to Philemon. Philemon may be a very rich man; and, you may be his worker, but most of all, you both love God and want to live for Him. That means loving and forgiving each other, too," Paul told him.

Onesimus listened to Paul and he knew what he had to do. He was one of God's people now. He had run away from Philemon. Now he had to run back. He needed to say sorry to Philemon. He needed to make things right with him. This was going to be very, very hard.

What WOULD Philemon do to Onesimus when he went back? Would Philemon punish him? Would he forgive him? Onesimus didn't know and I wouldn't be at all surprised if he was very scared. Wouldn't you be?

Can you make a scared face? That's how Onesimus felt about going back to Philemon!

But as scared as Onesimus might have been to go back. And as much as he did not want to face Philemon, Onesimus wanted something even more. He wanted to do whatever God wanted him to do.

He was one of God's people now. He loved God and he wanted to live like Jesus would. Jesus trusted God and so would he! Yes, he would!

So Onesimus said goodbye to Paul and went run, run, running back home to Philemon with Paul's letter in his hand. He trusted God to help him and Philemon with whatever happened next. And God did!

Let's cheer really loud! Yay! God helped Onesimus and Philemon!

Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

- **1. Who ran away?** Onesimus ran away from working for Philemon.
- **2. Why did he run back?** When Onesimus believed in Jesus, his life changed. Now he lived for Jesus. That even meant going back to Philemon and asking his forgiveness for running away.

For You and Me:

Believing in Jesus means we should live for Jesus, too. God tells us in His Word, the Bible, how He wants us to live. Sometimes it means doing things we don't like to do, but we know are right, just like Onesimus did when he went back to Philemon. God will help us to live for Him, just like He helped Onesimus. Ask Him! He loves to answer prayers like this.

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is **Ephesians 5:1,2:** "Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us."

- 1. What did Onesimus know he needed to do to live a life of love toward Philemon? He needed to go back home and ask for Philemon's forgiveness for running away.
- 2. How could Philemon live a life of love to Onesimus when Onesimus asked him for forgiveness? He should forgive him.

For You and Me:

If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, we become God's people. That's just the beginning. God wants His people to live a life of love, just as Jesus Christ has loved them. Sometimes this is very hard, like it was for Onesimus and Philemon; but, God always promises to help His people live for Him. Thank you, God!

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story. They are: a hiding man; a house; a letter (scroll); a house; and, a monkey.

- **1. Which picture does not belong in the story?** The monkey does not.
- 2. How are the other three pictures important in the story? Onesimus hid as he ran away from Philemon's house. When Onesimus changed and began to live for God, he knew he must go home and ask for Philemon to forgive him. Paul sent a letter urging Philemon to forgive Onesimus.

For You and Me:

Believing in Jesus means we should live for Jesus, too. God tells us in His Word, the Bible, how He wants us to live. Sometimes it means doing things we don't like to do, but we know are right, just like Onesimus did when he went back to Philemon. God will help us to live for Him, just like He helped Onesimus. Ask Him! He loves to answer prayers like this.

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

- **1. Who trusted in Jesus as his Savior?** Philemon and Onesimus.
- 2. What did they ask God to help them do, after they trusted in Jesus as their Savior? They asked God to help them live for Him.

For You and Me:

We can turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, too. We can ask God to help us to live for Him. God loves to answer these prayers!

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

- **1. Who heard the good news of Jesus and believed?** Philemon and Onesimus.
- **2.** How did they change after they believed? Philemon started telling everyone about Jesus and gathered people at his house to worship God. Onesimus went back home and asked Philemon for forgiveness.

For You and Me:

If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will help us change, too. He will help us to love Him and live for Him, and love others more and more, too.

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)

Our Bible Truth is: How Should God's People Live? They Should Live Like Jesus!

But I'm sad to say that none of us really live like Jesus. We ALL disobey God. Just like Onesimus in our story, we need a Savior!

Who is that Savior? It's Jesus!

To everyone--even you and me--who says sorry to God and asks Jesus to be their Savior, God promises to forgive them and save them, just like He did Onesimus!

If we do, what a wonderful beginning that will be! We will get to know Him in our hearts now. Then one day, we will go to live happily with God forever.

And every day in between, God's Holy Spirit will be at work in us, helping us to live like Jesus! Close in prayer.

Closing Unit 12 ACTS Prayer

A=Adoration C=Confession T=Thanksgiving S=Supplication

- A God, we praise You for giving us Jesus, so we can know how You want us to live.
- **C** God, many time we don't love You or others as You want us to. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!
- **T** Thank You, God for promising to help us live like Jesus, by Your Holy Spirit.
- **5** Please work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to live like Jesus did, loving others and loving You most of all.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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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 12:

How Should God's People Live? and the Answer is: They Should Live Like Jesus!

Meaning:

We become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. When we do, God forgives our sins and we begin a whole new way of life. God's people no longer live life just to please themselves. They want to honor God with their whole lives, like Jesus did. They seek to love God most of all and love all people, too.

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

Big Q & A I2 Song

(adapted version of "Pop, Goes the Weasel")

How should God's people live each day? They should live like Jesus! How should God's people live each day? How should God's people live each day? How should God's people live each day? They should live like Jesus!



Unit 12 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:

Ephesians 5:1,2, ESV

"Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us."

Meaning:

When you imitate someone, you try to act like them. God's people honor God by imitating His good ways. There's no one better for us to imitate than Jesus Christ, God's Son. He loved God and loved others in everything He did. His perfect life shows us how God wants us to live. God's people know they are God's dearly loved children. How they want to live like Jesus did!

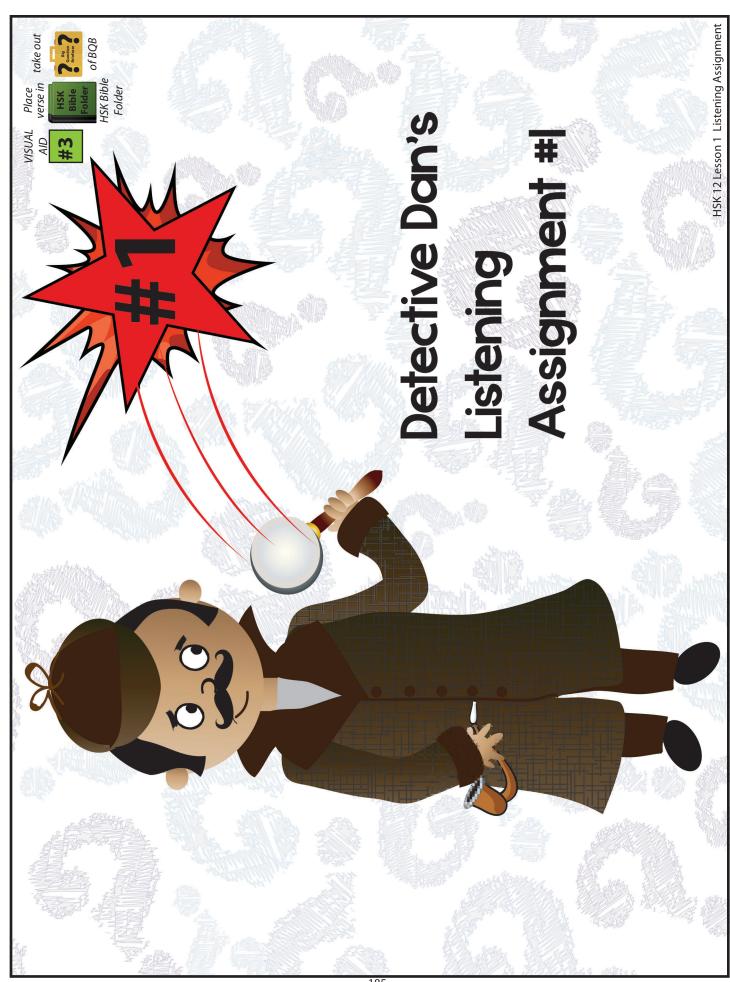
"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"

Walk in Love: Ephesians 5:1,2

HSK ESV Songs 12, track 14,14T

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, And walk in love, as Christ loved us, Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, And walk in love, as Christ loved us, Walk, walk, walk in love, walk in love as Christ loved us, walk in love as Christ loved us, walk in love as Christ loved us. Ephesians Five, one and two.

"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?"



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #I



Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm working on a brand-new case called:

"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back."

need to find out:

I. Who ran away?

2. Why did he run back?

you might just hear the answers! Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and

Detective Dan Thanks!

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

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of the story text.* *Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end

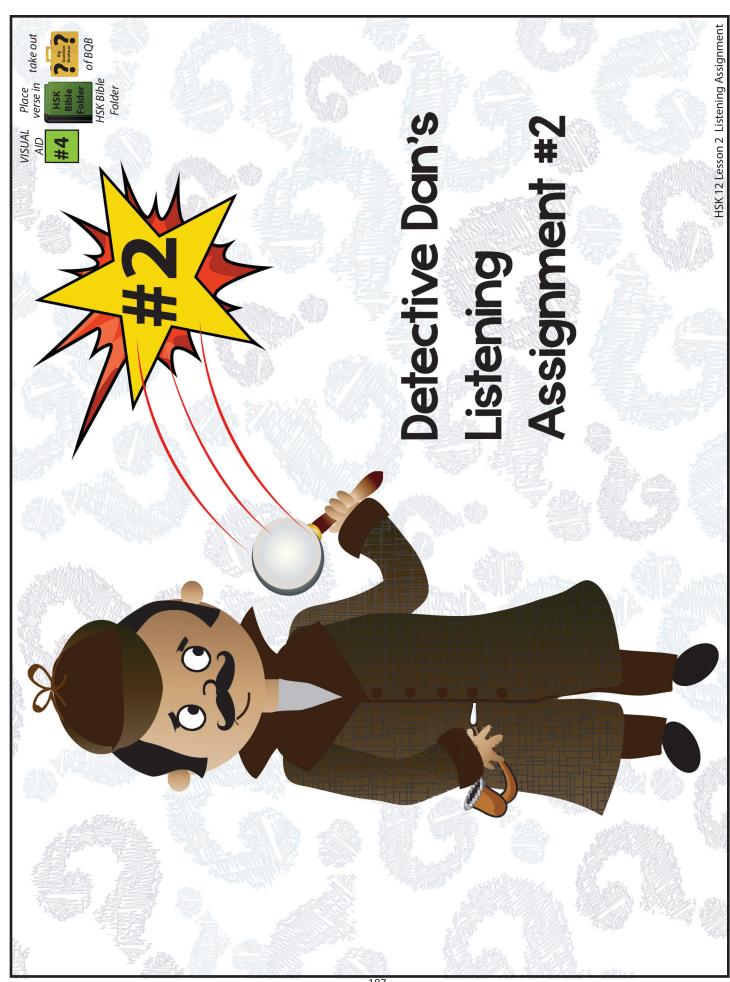
Answers:

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

- 1. Who ran away? Onesimus ran away from working for Philemon **Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:**
- his forgiveness for running away. Now he lived for Jesus. That even meant going back to Philemon and asking 2. Why did he run back? When Onesimus believed in Jesus, his life changed.

For You and Me:

Onesimus. Ask Him! He loves to answer prayers like this. went back to Philemon. God will help us to live for Him, just like He helped Word, the Bible, how He wants us to live. Sometimes it means doing things Believing in Jesus means we should live for Jesus, too. God tells us in His we don't like to do, but we know are right, just like Onesimus did when he



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back."

Our Bible verse is Ephesians 5:1,2:

"Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us."

need to find out:

I. What did Onesimus know he needed to do to live a life of love toward Philemon?

2. How should Philemon live a life of love to Onesimus when he asks for forgiveness?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks for your help!

Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

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For You and Me:

If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, we become God's people. That's just the beginning. God wants His people to live a life of love, just as Jesus Christ has loved them. Sometimes this is very hard, like it was for Onesimus and Philemon; but, God always promises to help His people live for Him. Thank you, God!



Listening Assignment #3 🗷 Detective Dan's

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I'm still working on the case called:

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For You and Me:

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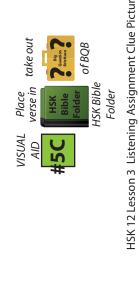


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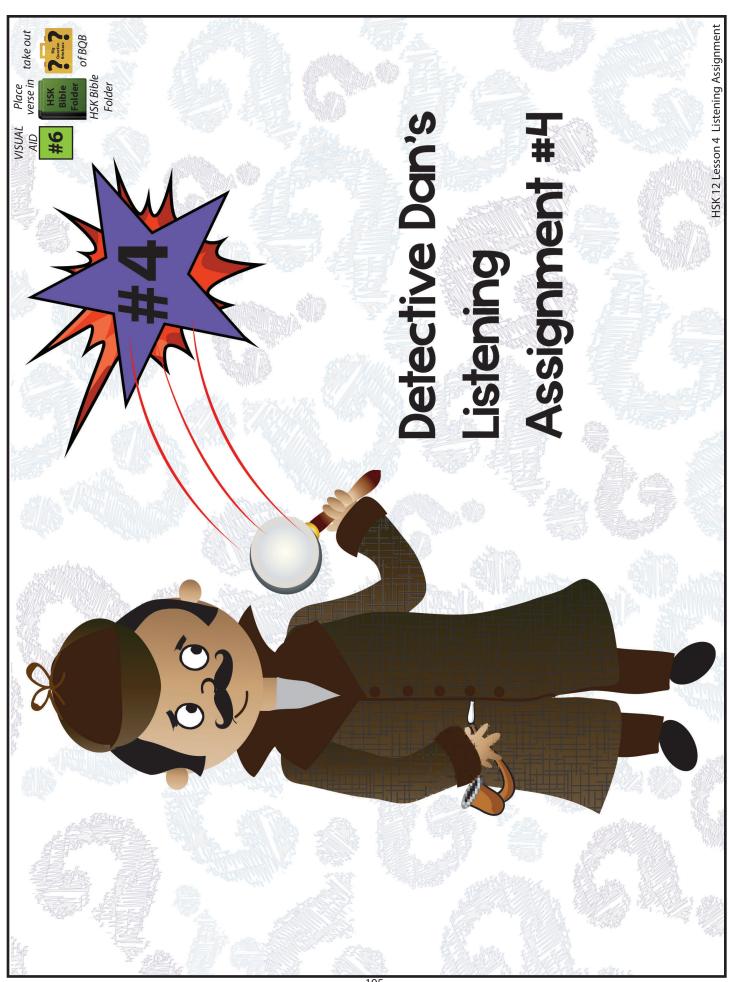
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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #4

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back."



l. Who asked Jesus to be his Savior? AND

2. What did they ask God to help them do, after they trusted in Jesus as their Savior?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

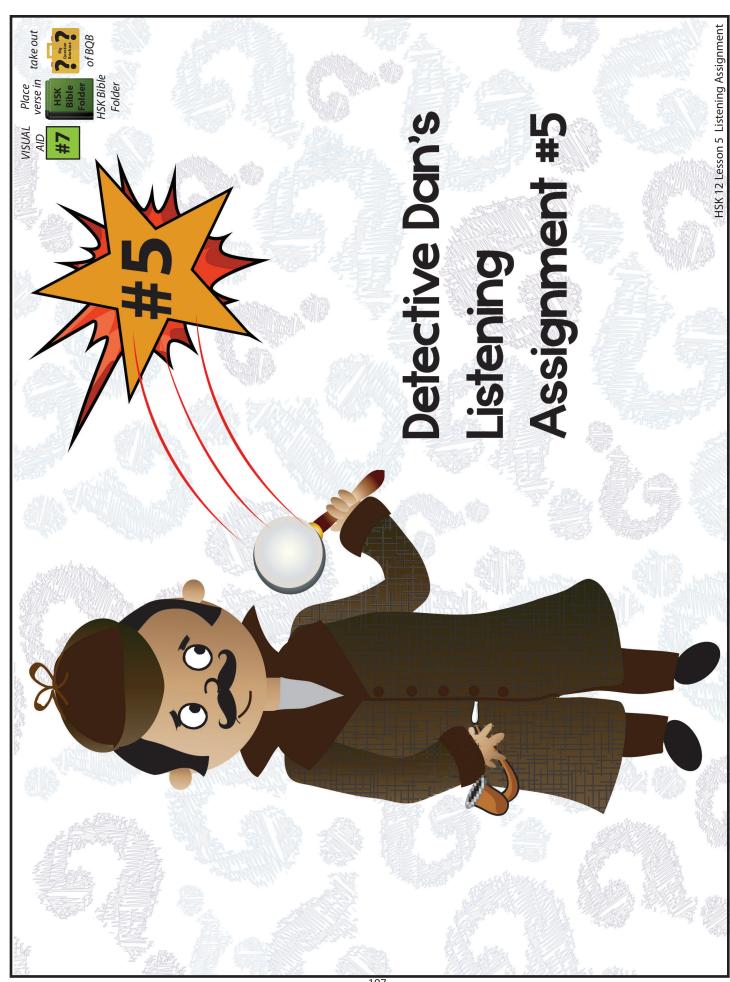
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Answers:

- 1. Who asked Jesus to be his Savior? Both Philemon and Onesimus
- 2. What did they ask God to help them do, after they trusted in Jesus as their Savior? They asked God to help them live for Him.

For You and Me:

We can turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, too. We can ask God to help us to live for Him. God loves to answer these prayers!



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #5

Hi, Hide 'n' Seek Kids!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back."



I. Who heard the good news of Jesus and believed?

2. How did they change after they believed?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

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nswers:

- 1. Who heard the good news of Jesus and believed? Philemon and Onesimus.
- 2. How did they change after they believed? Philemon started telling everyone about Jesus and gathered people at his house to worship God. Onesimus went back home and asked Philemon for forgiveness.

For You and Me:

If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will help us change, too. He will help us to love Him and live for Him, and love others more and more, too.

"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back" The Book of Philemon



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Ephesians 5:1,2, ESV

"Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us."

- I. What did Onesimus know he needed to do to live a life of love towards Philemon?
- 2. How could Philemon live a life of love towards Onesimus when Onesimus asked him for forgiveness?

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

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2. Why did he run back?

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3. The Holy Spirit kept on working in Philemon's heart. Philemon did things differently when he went home.

Now, Philemon prayed to God, "Help me to live for You."

Philemon's house to worship God and help each other live for God. Now, he told others the good news of Jesus. They trusted in Jesus as their Savior, too. Soon, a little church of people gathered at

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Philemon looked and looked, but he never found Onesimus.



4. But there was someone else at Philemon's house who was NOT happy at all! His name was Onesimus. Onesimus was a worker at Philemon's house. Onesimus became so unhappy that he decided to run away and never come back. Onesimus knew it was wrong to run away, but he did it anyway. Philemon looked and looked, but he never found Onesimus.

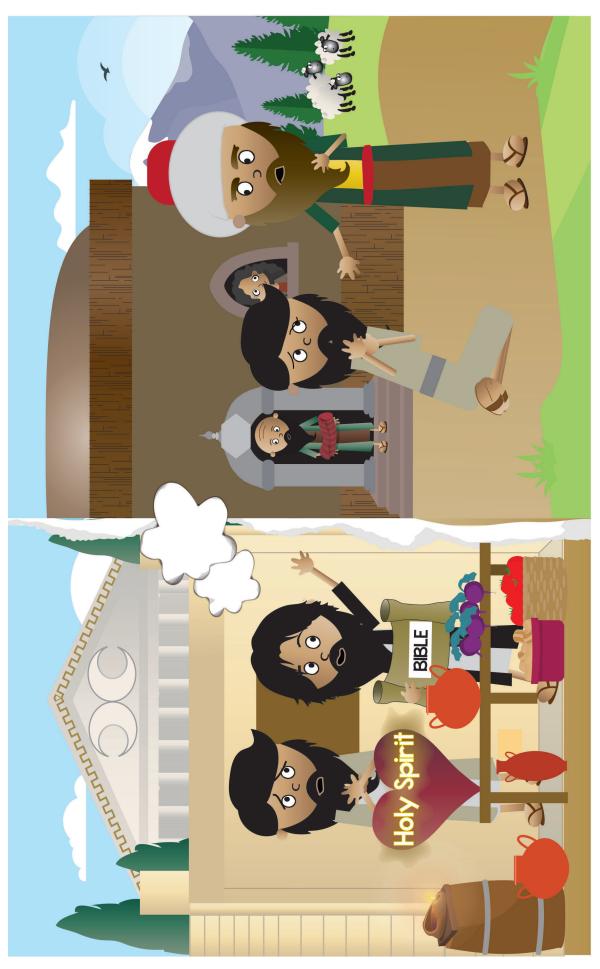
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"The Case of the Runaway Who Ran Back" The Book of Philemon



SOLVE

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1





Ephesians 5:1,2, ESV

"Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us." I. What did Onesimus know he needed to do to live a life of love towards Philemon?

He needed to go back home and ask for Philemon's forgiveness for running away.

2. How could Philemon live a life of love towards Onesimus when Onesimus asked him for forgiveness? He should forgive him.

For You and Me:

If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, we become God's people. That's just the beginning. God wants His people to live a life of love, just as Jesus Christ has loved them. Sometimes this is very hard, like it was for Onesimus and Philemon; but, God always promises to help His people live for Him. Thank you, God!

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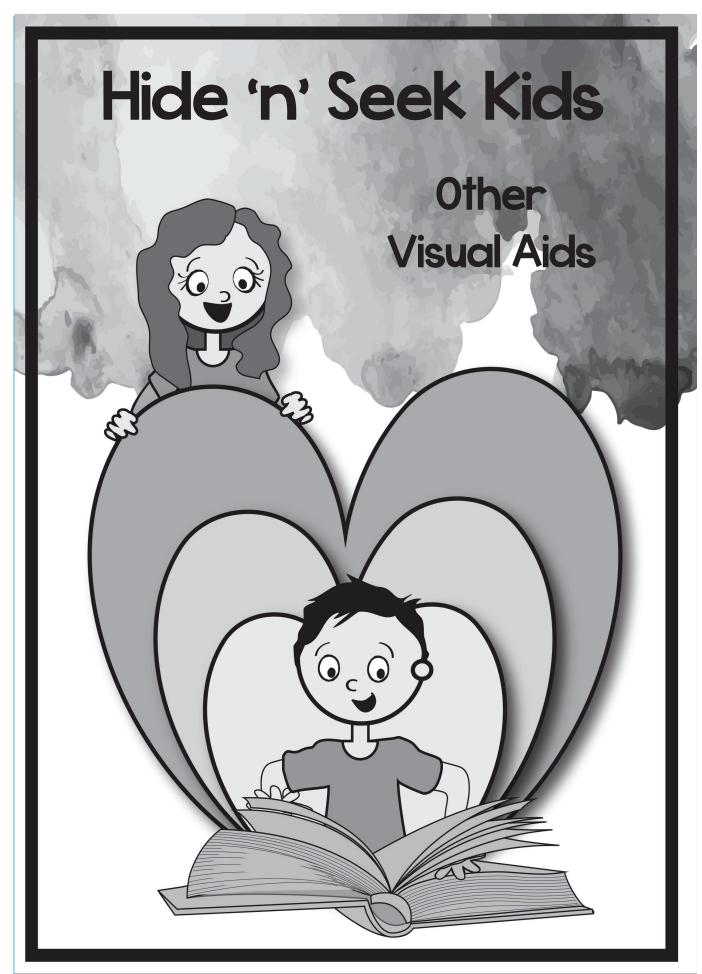
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Him to help you! He loves to answer prayers like this.

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But even though we all deserve God's punishment, God is so merciful that He that none of us do. We all have sinful hearts and choose to live our own way, Jesus as our Savior. And if we do, God's Holy Spirit will come live inside us, helping All of us were created to love God and others like Jesus did. But the sad news is chose to send His Son, Jesus, to become a man and to be our Savior. Jesus lived Jesus died and was buried, but on the third day, He rose up from the dead. He We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in a perfect life, and offered it up on the cross as the full payment for the sins of us love God and live for Him. HE will help us live like Jesus! Then one day, we instead of God's good way. That's why we all deserve God's punishment. will go to live happily with God forever. That will be best of all! had beaten sin and death for God's people. How Should God's People Live? They Should Live Like Jesus! God's people. Our Bible Truth is:

A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!) A God, we praise You for being the God who shows us how You want us to live. C God, many time we don't love You or others as You want us to. We choose to Please work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Make us Your people. Give us Your Holy Spirit to help us You show us through Your Son, Jesus, We praise You for being the God who Thank You, God for promising to help Your people live like Jesus, by Your to live like Jesus did. Help us to love others, and to love You most of all. Holy Spirit. Thank You that You love to help us become Your people. not live like Jesus did. Please forgive us. We need a Savior! helps live like Jesus, too, through Your Holy Spirit. A Prayer In Jesus' name we pray, Amen. S

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The Hide 'n' Seek Kids "Bible" Folder

This is a homemade folder that looks (kinda) like the cover of a Bible. You will use this to put the Bible verse, the Bible Story and storyboard pictures to help make the point that the truths you are teaching them come from the Bible.

Supplies

1 piece of 22" x 28" posterboard (white is fine. Green or brown is nice)

Glue

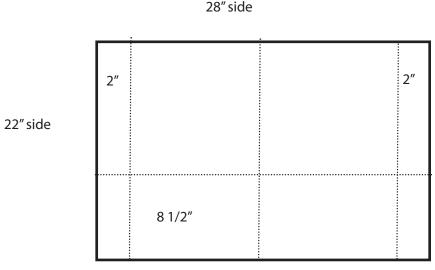
Stapler and staples or packing tape

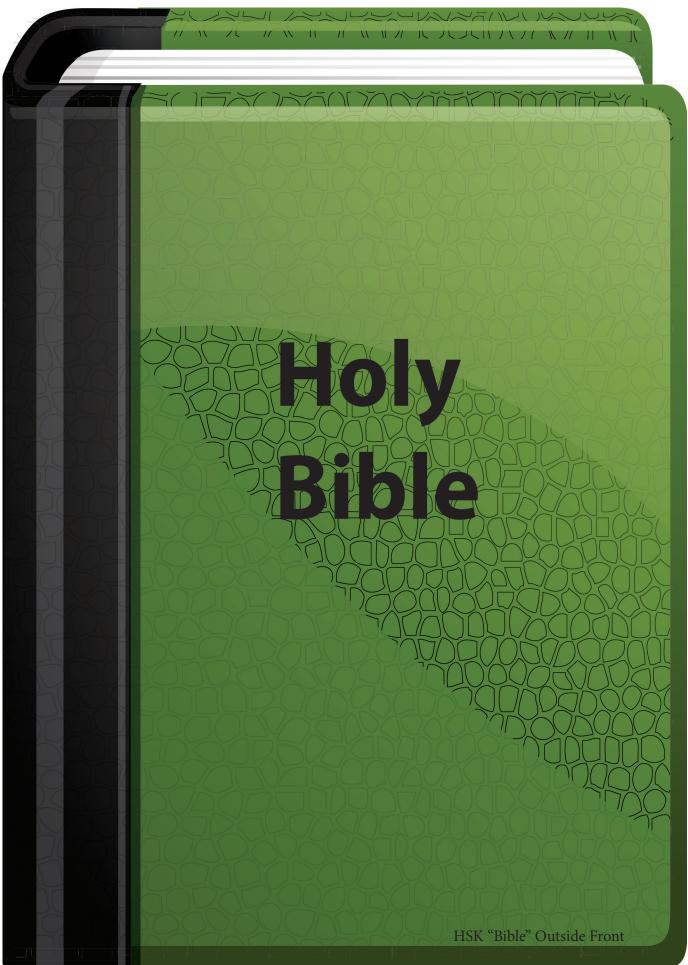
The Bible Cover pictures (see online with resources for this unit or from the back of each Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book.)

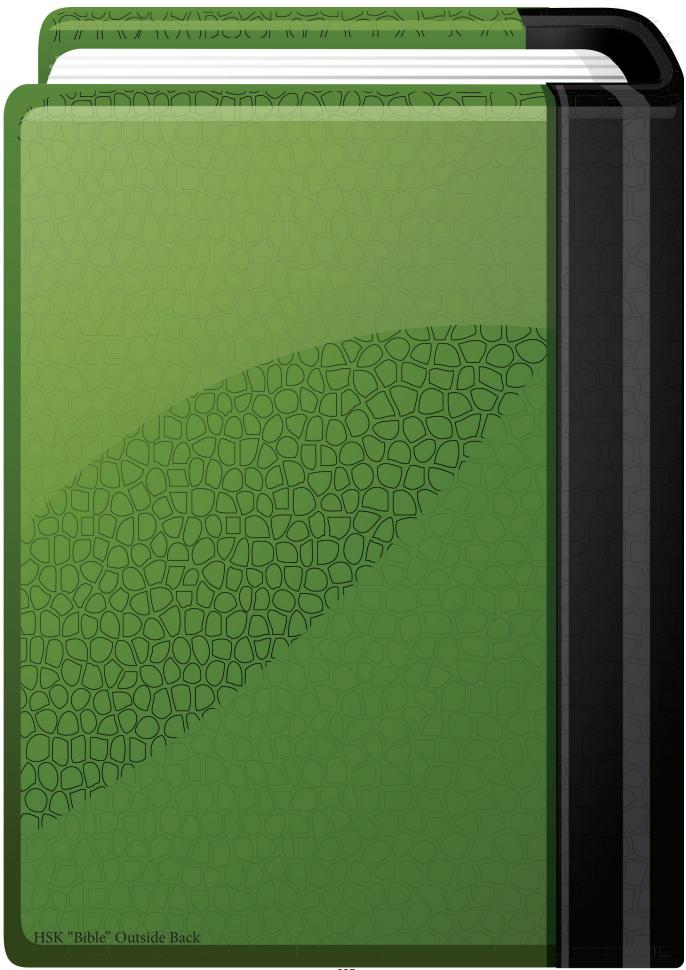
NOTE: The Bible Cover pictures included in the Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids books cannot be created larger than 8.5" x 11". That means that they will be under-sized for a Bible Folder of the dimensions you are making. However, you can go online to the Hide "n' Seek Kids curriculum and there is a pdf of a bigger version of these covers that will actually fit the size of this HSK "Bible" Folder.

Directions

- 1. Lay out poster board with long side along the bottom.
- 2. Fold in 2" on each side.
- 3. Take packing tape and tape the folded in 2" flaps to the main section of the posterboard, all the way down.
- 3. Fold up 8 1/2" on the bottom of the poster board.
- 4. Use packing tape to tape this flap in place, all the way down.
- 5. Take scissors and snip through the tape where the flap is attached to the folder. This will give you a bit more room in the folder.
- 6. Fold the poster board in the middle to make the center fold.
- 7. Cut out the Bible Cover Pictures. If possible, laminate these. They will last longer.
- 8.. Glue the two cover pieces to the outside of the folder.







Making a Flannelgraph Storyboard

for use in story-telling and in playing the story review games

Use this board to place your story scenes as you tell it.

Supplies

AT LEAST a 24" x 36" foam board, cardboard, or even an old whiteboard Large piece of neutral-colored felt to cover your board with extra to overlap over to the back, if desired. Glue gun and glue sticks

Directions

1. Center felt on front side of board. Turn over. Secure in place with glue.

Making Durable Story Scene Pictures

for use in story-telling and in playing the story review games

Whether you purchase the Hide 'n' Seek KidsStory Scene pictures from Amazon or print them off the website (included in the Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book), you will want to find some way to make them more durable. They are used not only as a part of telling the story, but are integral in the story review games. Here's how we make ours durable enough to be used over and over again.

Supplies

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Visual Aids book (purchased or downloaded)
White cardstock or printer paper (if downloading pictures)
Sticky-back velcro, circles or cut pieces; or sticky tac putty
Laminator or Self-laminating sheets or Sturdy Sheet Protectors, preferably the "Secure Top" kind, like offered by Avery

Directions

- 1. Purchase from Amazon or download and print out the Story Scenes.
- 2. Carefully remove pages from book (if purchased a hard copy).
- 3. Laminate the figures.
- 4. If using a flannelgraph board: Stick a few pieces of sticky backed velcro (ROUGH SIDE) onto the back of each Story Scene.

If using sticky tack and whiteboard: simply stick a small amount of sticky tack on the back of each Story Scene in a few places when using it. Remove and store sticky tack in airtight container.

Big Question Box/Briefcase

What You Want

The Big Question Briefcase is a briefcase or other container with these characteristics:

- Ideally, this should be around 17" x 12", but needs to be at least big enough to fit a 8 ½" x 11" sheets of paper inside it.
- Have various pockets to put these sheets in
- Is attractive or curious looking to preschoolers
- · Not necessary, but extremely fun, if is has a combination lock

Finding a Briefcase:

You can certainly buy one new, but you always may find a used one at a thrift shop. Or, someone may have one they want to donate. We use one that stores valuables in it and is the 17" x12" size. Very durable and has the lock feature that the kids love.

You also can move away from the briefcase idea and use a little trunk or other box for your substitute briefcase. Just change the name to the Big Question Box, if you use a box instead. A boot box or the cardboard box that 10 reams of copy paper comes in is a great size, if you are using a box.

If you use a box, but want a lock-like feature, that's easy to do. Simply cut "straps" out of felt or vinyl and glue in place to the top and bottom sides of the box on one side, with the top strap overlapping the bottom straps. Add velcro to the top and bottom pieces so that they meet and fasten. Make back "hinges" for the box with the felt/ vinyl straps, too. Or, you can simply add a belt around the box that has to be unfastened before the box can be opened.

Here are some suggestions for decorating a box or even the outside of your briefcase to make it appealing.

Supplies

Your box/briefcase
Plain white contact paper or white cardstock
Colorful wrapping paper
Glitter glue
Markers
Sequins, fake jewels, buttons, rick rack, etc.
Other decorating supplies
Stickers
Glue
Clear packing tape

Directions

- 1. If you are using a box that has wording on it, you will first need to make plain surfaces for decorating and a hinge for the lid. Stick the white contact paper or white cardstock to each side of the box. On the other hand, you can also use colorful wrapping paper. Then, make a lid by sticking the clear packing tape along one long side of the box, attaching the lid to the box.
- 2. Use the craft decorating supplies to decorate the box. If desired, you can put a big question mark on top of the box, but remember that you are working with two and three year olds: the question mark symbol is not very meaningful to them yet.