

DEEP DOWN DETECTIVES



Simple Story Scenes

Unit 16,

Bible Truth 1

Using Simple Story Scenes as a Curriculum

Introduce the Key Concept and Bible Verse

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

Give the Case Assignment

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

Show & Tell the Story

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

Solve the Case

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

Share the Gospel

Share the gospel tie-in with the kids.

Close in ACTS Prayer

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

Review Time

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

Looking for more?

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

Unit 16: Jesus, the Returning King

Unit Big Question (and Answer): What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?
God Will Make Everything New!

Unit Bible Verse: "He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new! It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End." --Revelation 21:5-6

Bible Truth 1 Concept: God Will Make Everything New.. Jesus Will Judge All People Fairly!

When Jesus comes back, He will gather everyone who has ever lived before Him to be judged fairly. All the people who are alive when Jesus comes back, will stand before Him. All the people who were already dead will come out of the places they are buried and appeared before Him, too. Millions and millions, billions and billions of people.

There will be more people than WE can know or count standing before Jesus on that day. But they won't be too many for Jesus. Jesus is God's Son. He knows everyone completely. Nothing is hidden from Him. And on that day, Jesus will sit on His throne (king's chair) and will judge all of us. What does it mean to judge? It means that Jesus will think fairly about what each person did with the life God gave them. Did they love God and serve Him? Did they love others? How did they use the good gifts God gave them? And most importantly, did they turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior... or, did they refuse Him?

It will be the saddest of days for all who refused to turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. The day for forgiveness and mercy will be over. Now, they will be separated from God and everything good forever. Satan and all the angels who rebelled against God will receive this final, terrible punishment, too. Oh, how I wish that everyone would turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus instead of receiving God's punishment!

But what about God's people? How will Jesus fairly think about them? Didn't they disobey God, too? Shouldn't they be separated from God, too? Yes, they did disobey God, too. Yes, they deserve to be separated from God; but instead, they will receive wonderful, eternal life with God on that day! Why? Because they turned away from their sins and asked for God's forgiveness. They trusted in Jesus as their Savior, and He paid for their sins when He died on the cross. Because of Jesus, this will be a day of praise for them. Jesus will reward them for the good works they did in His name. And best of all, they will get to live happily with God in special closeness forever. We can be ready for that day, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. This is how we become God's people.

Bible Truth 1 Bible Verse: Revelation 22:12-13

"Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."

Learn a Little: "I am coming soon! I will give to everyone according to what he has done."

Meaning

One day, Jesus will come back. He will bring an end to sin and death. He will fairly judge everyone. Oh, what an awful day it will be for those who did not turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus! There will be no good reward for them. Only God's punishment for their sins. How sad!

But the day Jesus comes back will be a wonderful day of celebration for God's people! He will reward the good things that God did through them. And because they did turn away from their sins and trusted in Him as their Savior, they will go to live with Him forever in the new heaven and earth He will create for them. We will be there on that day, too. It can be a day of celebration for us, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Bible Truth 1 ACTS Prayer

- A** We praise You, Jesus, for being the good Judge who will give out fair rewards and punishments to all people at the end of time. We praise You for being the Savior who offers to forgive us and make us God's people, so we can live with You and celebrate on that day You judge us all.
- C** Jesus, we know that we are all sinners. We have all disobeyed God's laws. We can never deserve to be God's people on our own. We need You to be our Savior!
- T** Thank You, Jesus, that we do not have to depend on our own goodness on the day You judge us. Thank You for dying on the cross to save all who turn away from their sins and trust in You as their Savior. Thank You that You will judge all who do according to Your perfect life, not their own. You have taken God's punishment in their place. They are forgiven. If we trust in You, we don't have to fear Your punishment on that day. We can look forward in excitement to life with You forever.
- S** Work in our hearts! Help us all to turn away from our sins and trust in You as our Savior. Help us to do good things with the gifts You have given us. Help us to love You and love others. Come back soon, Jesus!

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Bible Truth 1 Story**The Case of the Two, Big Books**

Matthew 16; Mark 8:27-38, Revelation 20:11-15

Songs Used in Bible Truth 1

Big Q & A 16 Song

Big Question 16 Song: What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?

Big Question 16 Bible Verse Song: I Am Making Everything New Revelation 21:5 NIV 1984

15 Big Question 16 Hymn: At the Name of Jesus, v.1

16 Big Question 16 Praise Song: He Is Lord

Bible Truth 1 Bible Verse Song: Behold, Behold Revelation 22:12-13, NIV 1984

Extra Bible Verse: The Day of the Lord 2 Peter 3:10-13, ESV

Extra Bible Verse: When You Hear of Wars Mark 13:7-10,26,27, ESV

Extra Bible Verse: God Is Just 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10, NIV 1984

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

BIG QUESTION 16



What will happen when Jesus comes back?



ANSWER:

God will make everything new!

VISUAL AID

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of BQB

The Big Question

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

The Big Question we are investigating today is

Big Question Number 16:

What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?

and the Answer is:

God Will Make Everything New!

Meaning:

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

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

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

Let's sing our Big Question Song: "

Big Q & A 16 Song

DDD NIV Songs 16, track 12

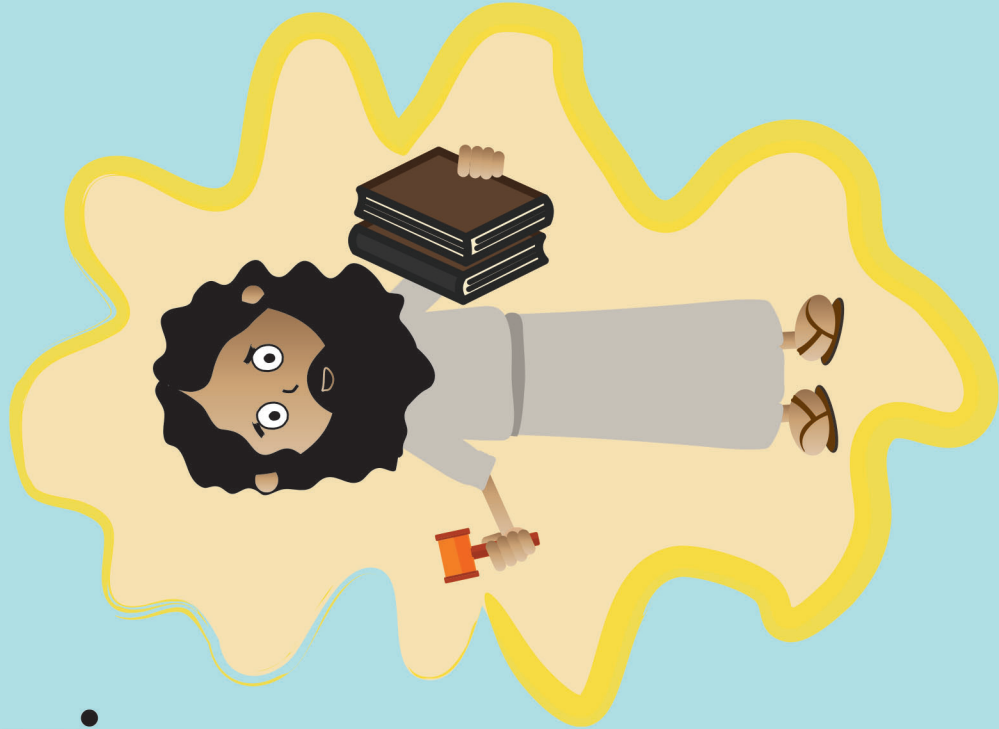
(adapted version of "The Bear Went Over the Mountain")

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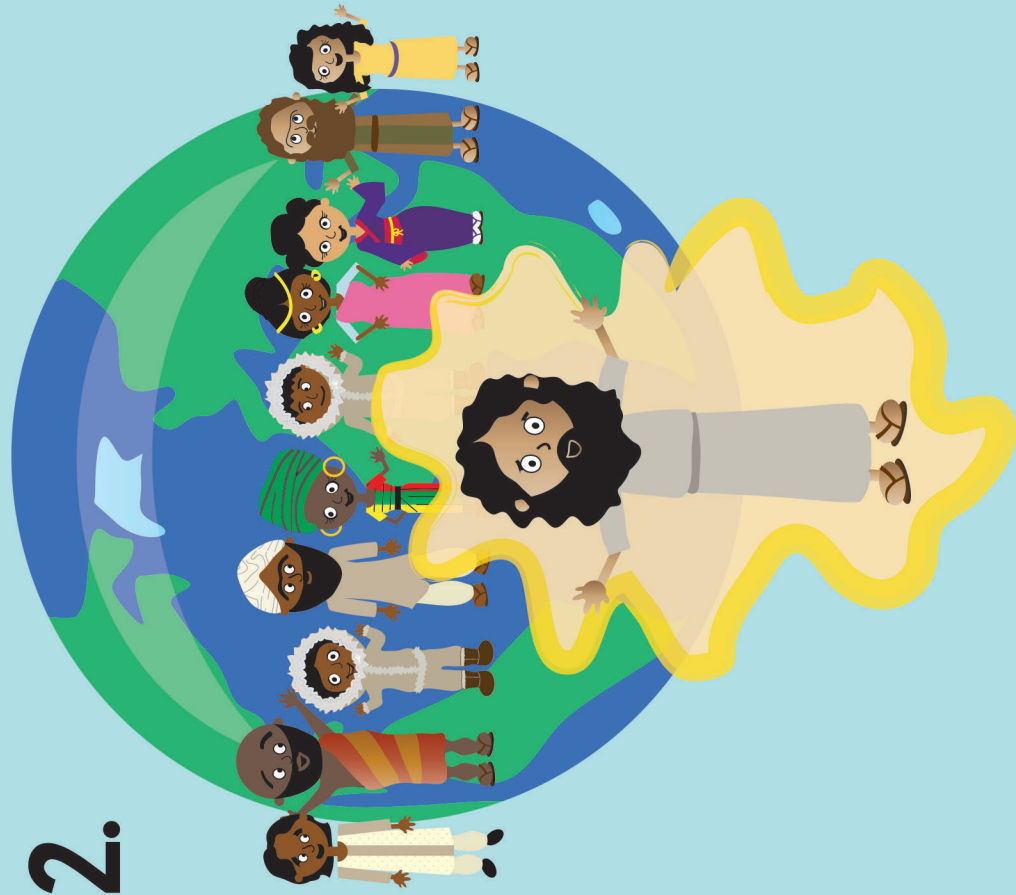
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BIG QUESTION 16: Two truths about Jesus coming back

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This Unit's Bible Truths

"God will make everything new" is a good beginning, but there's so more to learn. So, it's time for us to dig down even deeper for more answers to our Big Question about God. We're going to be learning TWO Bible truths that tell us more about what will happen when Jesus comes back.

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

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

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

"Ok, now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue sign and see if we can figure out which of these two truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

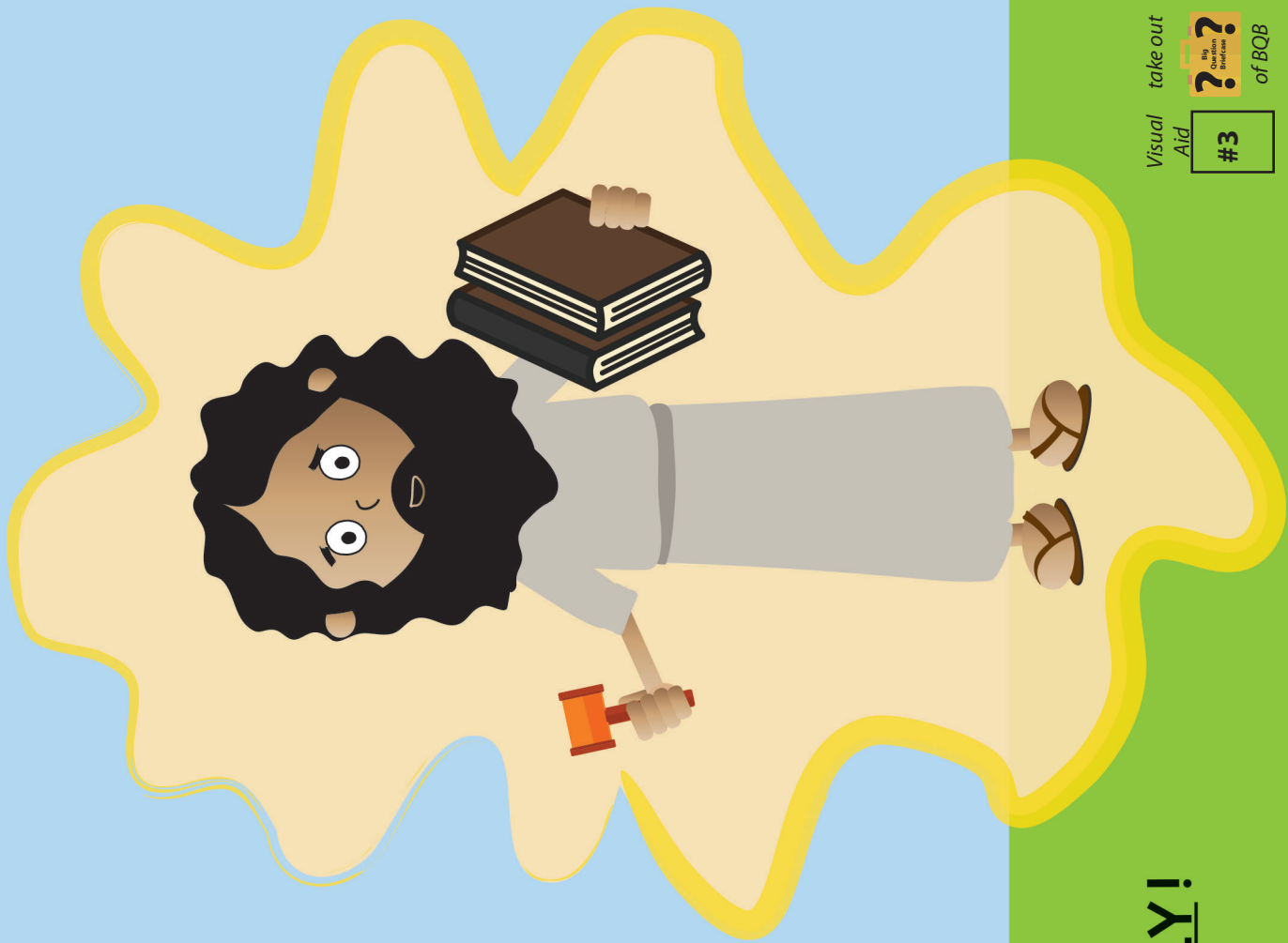
Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue sign and hand it to you.

CAN YOU GUESS BIBLE TRUTH I:

**What Will Happen
When Jesus Comes Back?
God Will Make
Everything New...
Jesus Will Judge
All People ????!**

HINT: This is another word for treating everyone right. It starts with an "F" and it rhymes with "barely."

ANSWER:
Jesus Will Judge All People FARLY!



Revealing the Bible Truth

We Are Learning

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

**“What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?
God Will Make Everything New!
Jesus Will Judge All People ????!”**

We’re missing one word. Here’s the hint to what the missing word is. It says: “This is another word for treating everyone right. It starts with an “F” and it rhymes with “barely.”

Can you guess? It’s “fairly.”

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

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

**“What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?
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And here is what this Bible Truth means:

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

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Visual Aid #4
Place verse in DDD Bible of FCB



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Revelation 22:12-13

Bible Truth | Bible Verse

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

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

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Behold, Behold:

Revelation 22:12-13

DDD NIV Songs 16, track 17

Refrain:

Behold, behold!

I'm coming soon!

My reward is with me.

Behold, behold!

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According to what he has done.

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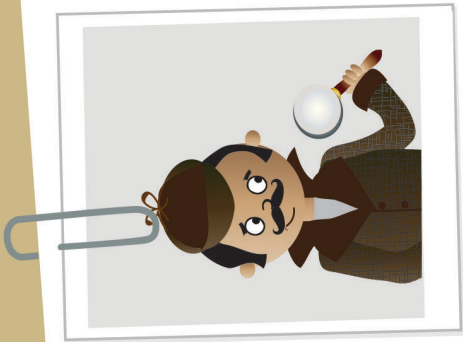
According to what he has done. Refrain

Revelation Twenty-two, twelve and thirteen.

"Now it's time to do a bit more deep down

investigating. Let's see what Detective Dan wants us to help him figure out. Would someone like to get it out for me?"

“The Case of the Two, Big Books” Matthew 16; Mark 8:27-38, Revelation 20:11-15



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who will come back at the end of time?
2. What are the two, big books? What will He do with the two, big books?



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

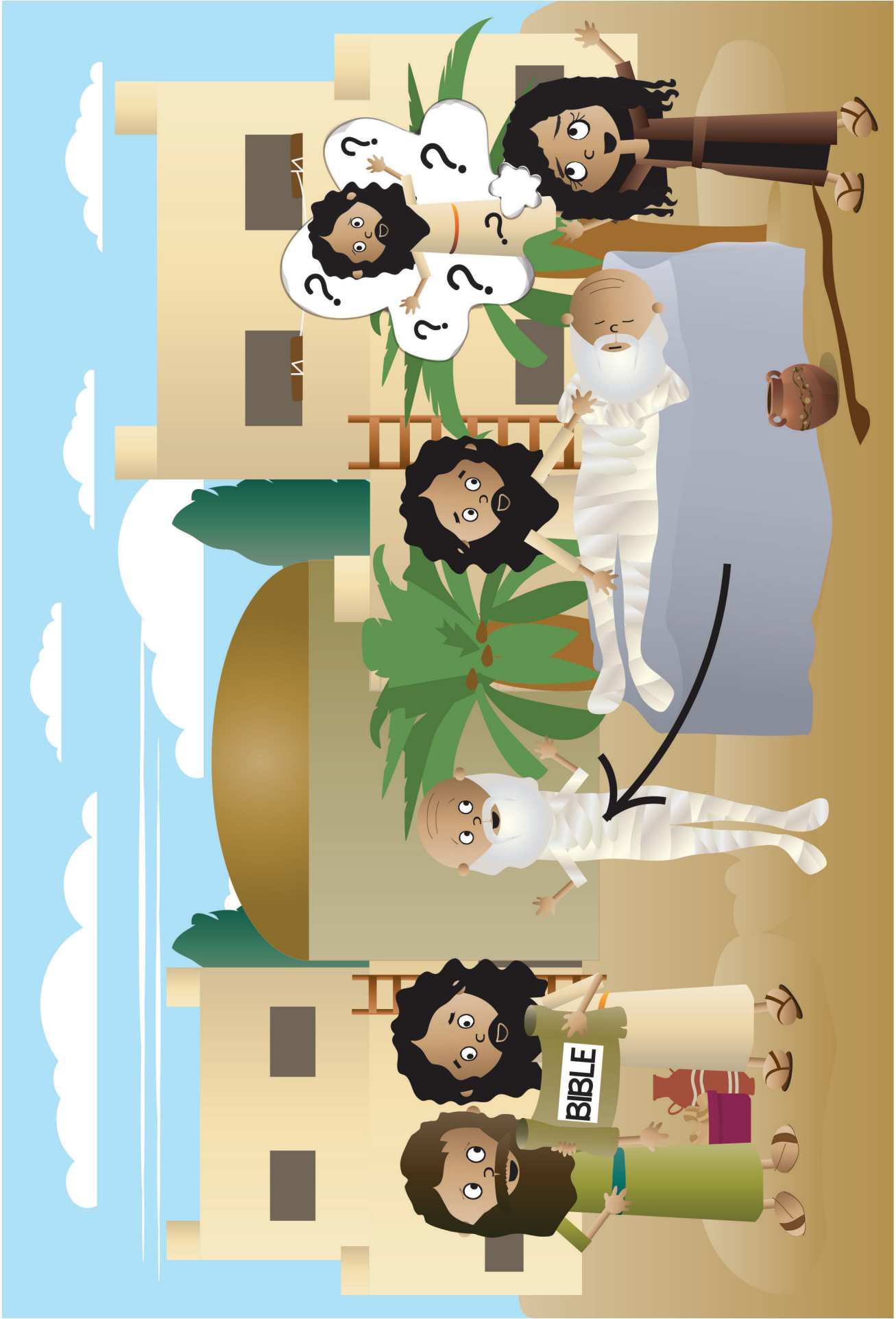
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1. Who is coming back?
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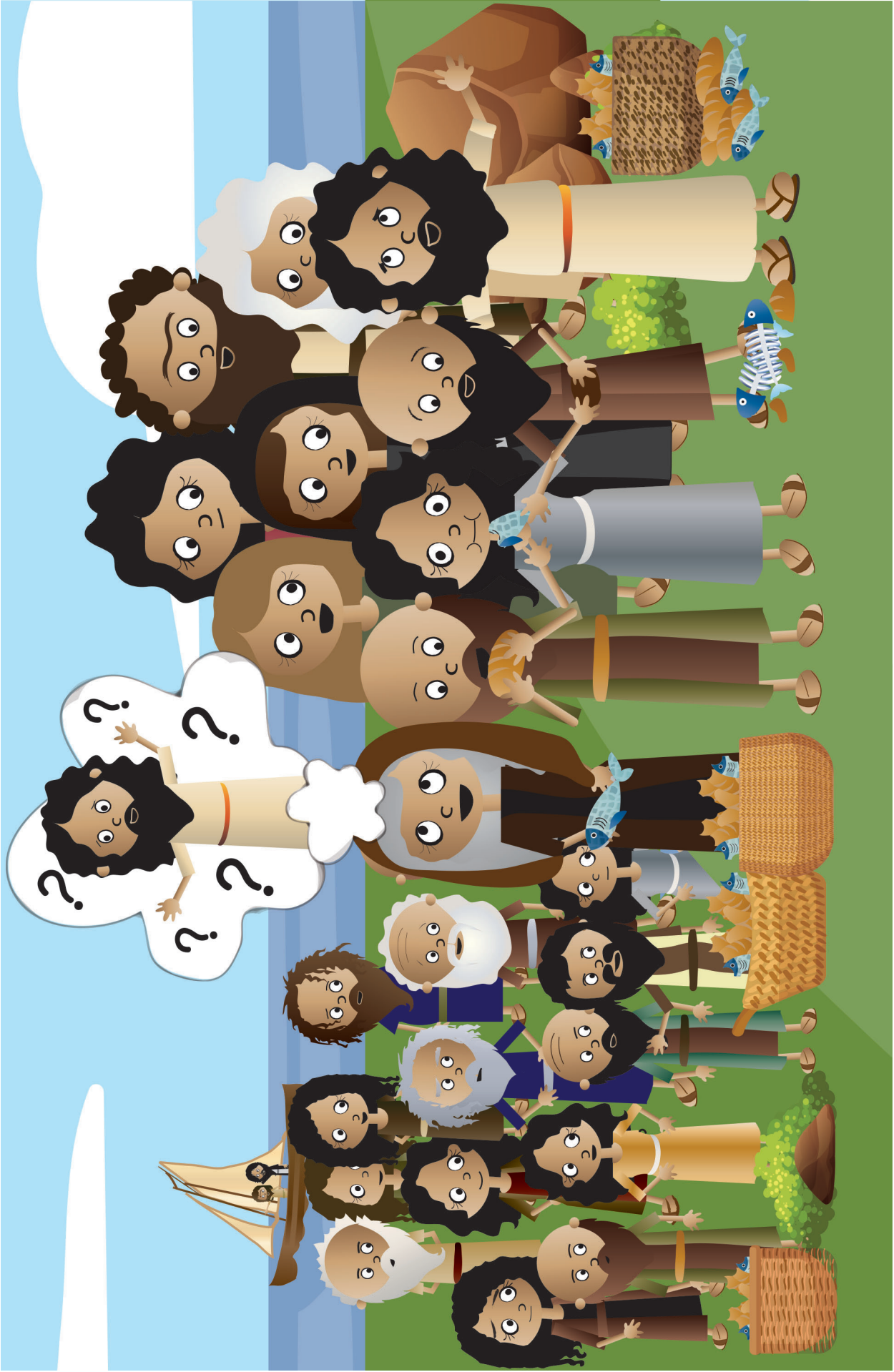
(more listening and discussion questions are included in the curriculum at praisefactory.org)

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3. “He’s John the Baptist come back to life,” some people answered.

John the Baptist was a godly man who preached about God but had been captured and killed by King Herod. These people believed God had brought John back to life as Jesus. Was THAT who Jesus was?

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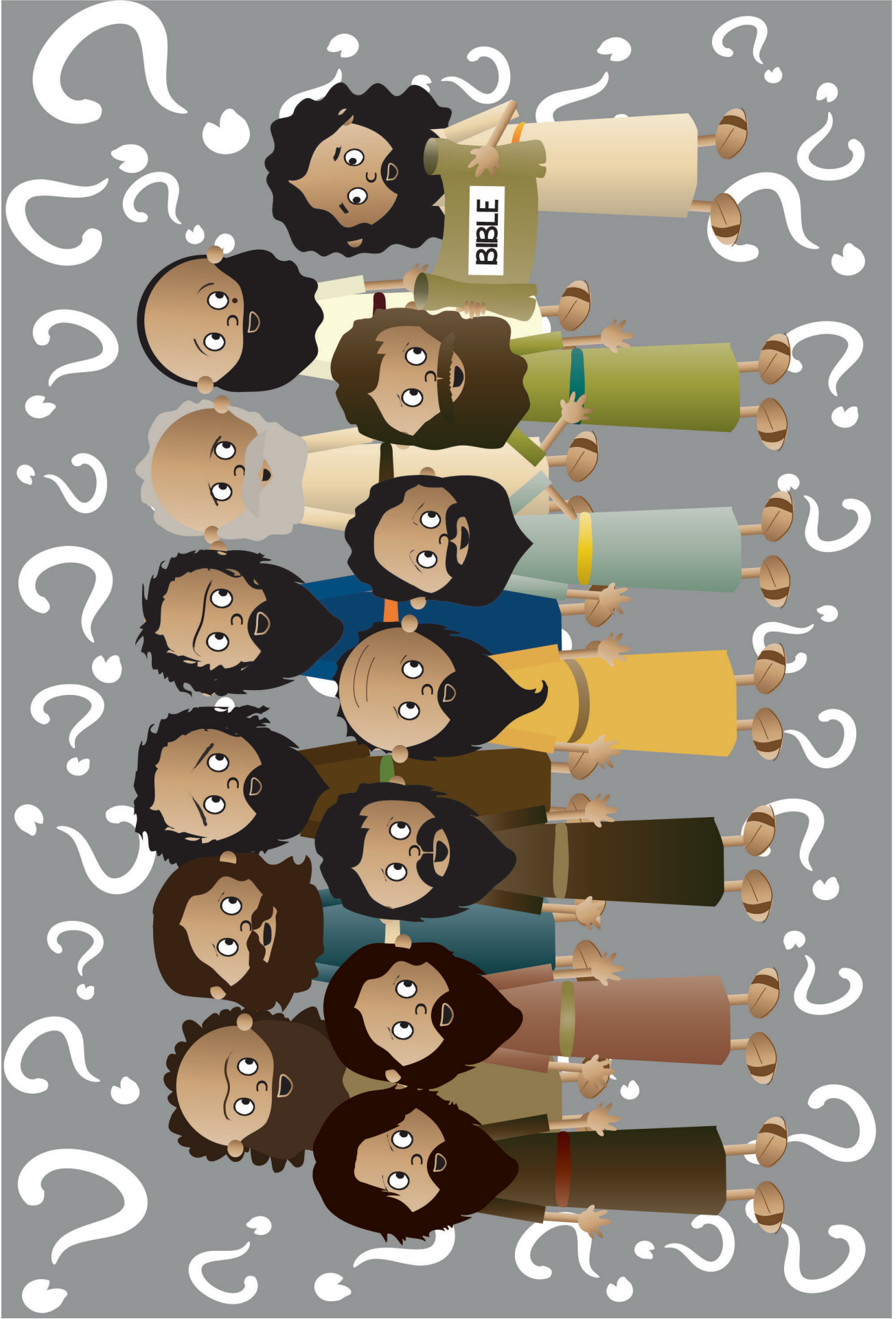
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8. Peter spoke up right away: “You are the Messiah, the Christ, the Son of the living God, sent to save us.”

Peter believed Jesus was the great Forever King God promised to send. This king was to rule the world God’s way and get rid of God’s enemies --those who do not want Him to be king and will not turn from disobeying Him.

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q. “You are right, Peter. I am the Messiah, the Christ, God’s Forever King,” Jesus replied.

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12. Peter didn't like what Jesus said. "No, Lord. This will not happen to You!" Peter scolded.

Peter was sure Jesus had it wrong. Enemies weren't supposed to hurt God's Forever King! No! HE was supposed get rid of God's enemies! HE was supposed to bring an end to sin! HE was supposed to be worshiped by all! The great, Forever King shouldn't suffer and die! He should live Forever! Jesus had it WRONG!



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13. But it was Peter who was wrong. “Stop saying this, Peter!” Jesus replied. “You might think you’re trying to protect me, but you’re talking like Satan, God’s great enemy. You are tempting me to disobey God’s good plan,” Jesus told Peter. “I MUST suffer and die on the cross to save God’s people,” Jesus insisted.



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14. “If you’re going to follow Me, you must choose to obey God’s plan, too,” Jesus told the listening crowd. “You must take up your cross and follow Me.”

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16. What will the Great Day of Judgment be like? What are the last and fair punishments that Jesus will give out?

Years later, Jesus gave John –another of His disciples-- a look at what it will be like. John wrote down what he saw in the Bible book we call Revelation.

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BOOK OF DEEDS

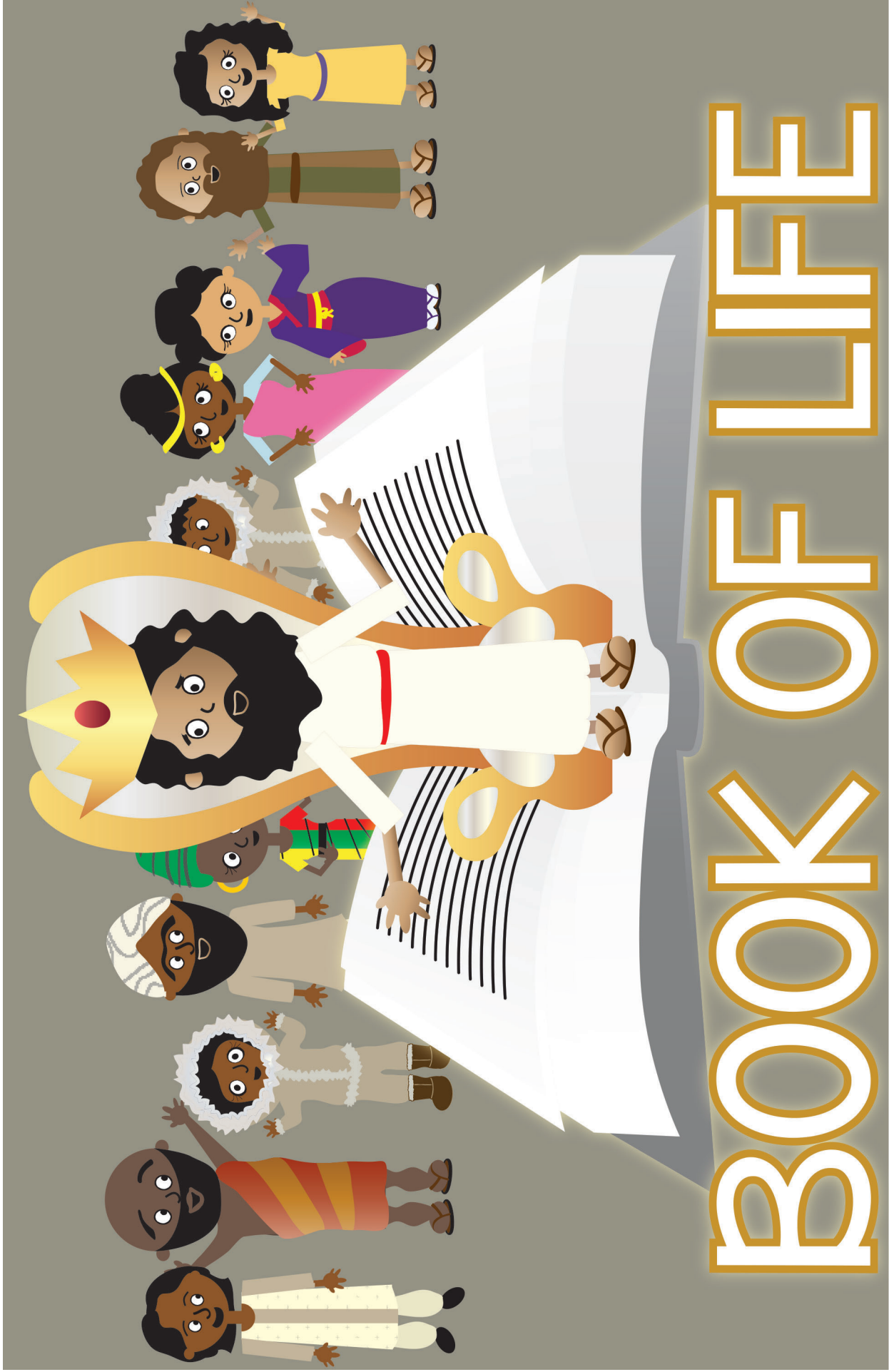
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21. “These people will never leave God’s presence. They will live with Him, enjoying His Perfect Wonderfulness as His dearly-loved people forever,” John wrote. “There will no more sickness, sadness, sin, or death for them. Only happiness forever.”

Oh, what a day that will be, when Jesus comes back as the Forever King and judges all people fairly. Only God knows exactly when that day will come, but we can be ready for it, whenever it is.

How? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Thank You, Jesus, for being merciful Savior now, so we can enjoy You as our good, Forever King on that day!

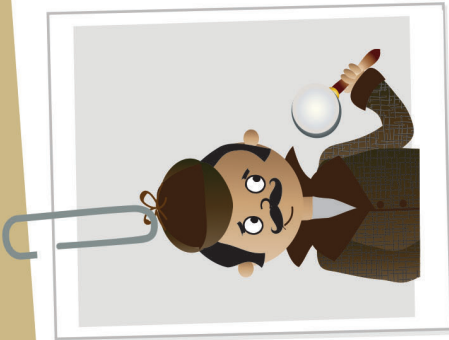


21. "These people will never leave God's presence. They will live with Him, enjoying His Perfect Wonderfulness as His dearly-loved people forever." John wrote. "There will no more sickness, sadness, sin, or death for them. Only happiness forever." Oh, what a day that will be, when Jesus comes back as the Forever King and judges all people fairly. Only God knows exactly when that day will come, but we can be ready for it, whenever it is. How? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Thank You, Jesus, for being merciful Savior now, so we can enjoy You as our good, Forever King on that day!

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“The Case of the Two, Big Books” Matthew 16; Mark 8:27-38, Revelation 20:11-15

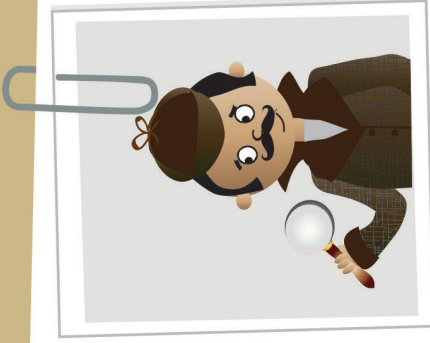
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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who will come back at the end of time? Jesus will.
2. What are the two, big books? What will He do with the two, big books? The Book of Deeds is the book that tells about every person's life—everything they've done, both good and bad. The Book of Life has the names of all who turned away from their sins and trusted in Jesus as their Savior. Jesus will judge all people fairly with these books. He will give them their final reward or punishment, according to how they have lived and whether they have asked God to forgive their sins through Jesus.

For You and Me:
It can be scary to think about Jesus coming back and judging us for what we've done. The good news is that all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior can rejoice on that day! Yes, they've done many bad things, but they are forgiven through Jesus. God can help us be ready for that day. He can forgive our sins and make us His people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Revelation 22:12. NIV

“Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done.”

1. Who is coming back?
Jesus is.
2. What will He do He comes back?
Jesus will judge all people fairly.

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What Will Happen When Jesus Comes Back?
God Will Make Everything New...
Jesus Will Judge All People Fairly!

The Gospel



How merciful God has been to us! Even though we have all disobeyed Him and all deserve His punishment, He sent Jesus to be our Savior. Jesus lived a perfect life and offered it as full payment for the sins of God's people when He died on the cross. On the third day, He rose from the dead in victory.

Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior will be forgiven. They are God's people. On the day Jesus gives out punishment for sin, there will be no punishment for them. Jesus already took it for them on the cross. They will live forever with God in the wonderful, new world God is making for them. We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you. He loves to!



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A Prayer

A We praise You, Jesus, for being the good Judge who will give out fair rewards and punishments to all people at the end of time.

C Jesus, we know that we are all sinners. We have all disobeyed God's laws. We deserve Your judgement on our sins. We need You to be our Savior.

T Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross to save all who turn away from their sins and trust in You as their Savior. Thank You that You will judge all who do, according to Your perfect life, not their own. If we trust in You, we don't have to fear Your punishment on that day, either. We can look forward, in excitement, to life with You forever.

S Work in our hearts! Help us all to turn away from our sins and trust in You as our Savior. Help us to do good things with the gifts You have given us. Help us to love You and love others. Come back soon, Jesus!

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



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