DEEP DOWN DESTECTIVES

Simple Story Scenes
Unit 16,
Bible Truth 2

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.

Big Question 16, Bible Truth 2 Overview: Key Concepts

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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 2 Concept: God Will Make Everything New... God's People Will Live Happily with God Forever!

Have you ever been to a wedding? If you have, perhaps you've watched how happy the bride (woman) and groom (man) are to get married. They love each other so much and love being together. They are so happy on their wedding day! It's the day they begin to live the rest of their lives together.

The Bible says that Jesus is like a groom waiting for the day of His wedding. Not because He's going to get married to a woman, but because He is waiting to be joined forever with God's people, whom He loves so much. They are like a bride to Him.

At the end of world, it will be like a wedding day for Jesus and God's people. That will be the day when, at last, Jesus and God's people start living together in the new heaven and earth, He's creating for them. There will be a great celebration called the Wedding Feast of the Lamb ("the Lamb" is a nickname for Jesus that reminds God's people that He died to save them). What a lot there will be to celebrate! Jesus will rule as king forever. All of God's people will love Him and obey Him all the time. There will never be any sadness or hurting or dying anymore. Best of all, God's people will be completely filled up with knowing and enjoying God and each other in a way that can only be described as Perfect Wonderfulness. And it will be like this forever and ever. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse: Revelation 19:6-7

"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready."

Learn a Little: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns."

Meaning

This song is full of Bible words! "Hallelujah" is a Bible word that means "Praise the Lord." That's exactly what God's people will be doing when Jesus comes back to take them home to live with Him in the new heaven and earth forever!

"The Lamb" is a nickname for Jesus who died on the cross as the perfect payment for the sins of God's people. Jesus has given God's people the nickname of "His Bride." He loves them so much and at last, He will be joined with them forever. How happy they will live together, forever and ever. They will rejoice with a big celebration!

Bible Truth 2 ACTS Prayer

- A We praise You, Jesus! You are the great King who now rules over everything in heaven and will return one day. You will do away with sin, sadness, and death. You will be the great King over the new heaven and earth forever.
- C Jesus, we know that we disobey You and all of God's good laws. We can never be good enough on our own to deserve to live with You when You return. We ask You to forgive us! Be our Savior, so we can be God's people and live with You forever.
- Thank You, Jesus, for coming to be our Savior! Thank You that we can be God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in You as our Savior. Thank You for promising to get rid of sin, sadness, and death when You come back again. Thank You that You will create a perfect, new world for God's people to enjoy with You forever.
- **S** Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in You, Jesus, as our Savior. Help us to love You and live for You today. Help us to look forward to the day when You come back and make all things new. Come back soon, Jesus! In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Bible Truth 2 Story

The Case of the Promise Keeper

Isaiah 1,2,6,24,25,49,52-53,60,65,66; Daniel 3; Revelation 21

Songs Used in Bible Truth 2

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 2 Bible Verse Song: Hallelujah! Revelation 19:6-7, NIV 1984 Extra Bible Verse: We'll All Be Changed 1 Corinthians 15:51,52,54, NIV 1984 Extra Bible Verse: There Was a Great Multitude Revelation 7:9-10, NIV 1984 Extra Bible Verse: No More Death Revelation 21:3-4;22:3-5, NIV 1984 Extra Bible Verse: We'll All Be Changed 1 Corinthians 15:51,52,54, NIV 1984 Extra Bible Verse: There Was a Great Multitude Revelation 7:9-10, NIV 1984 Extra Bible Verse: No More Death Revelation 21:3-4;22:3-5, NIV 1984

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



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:"

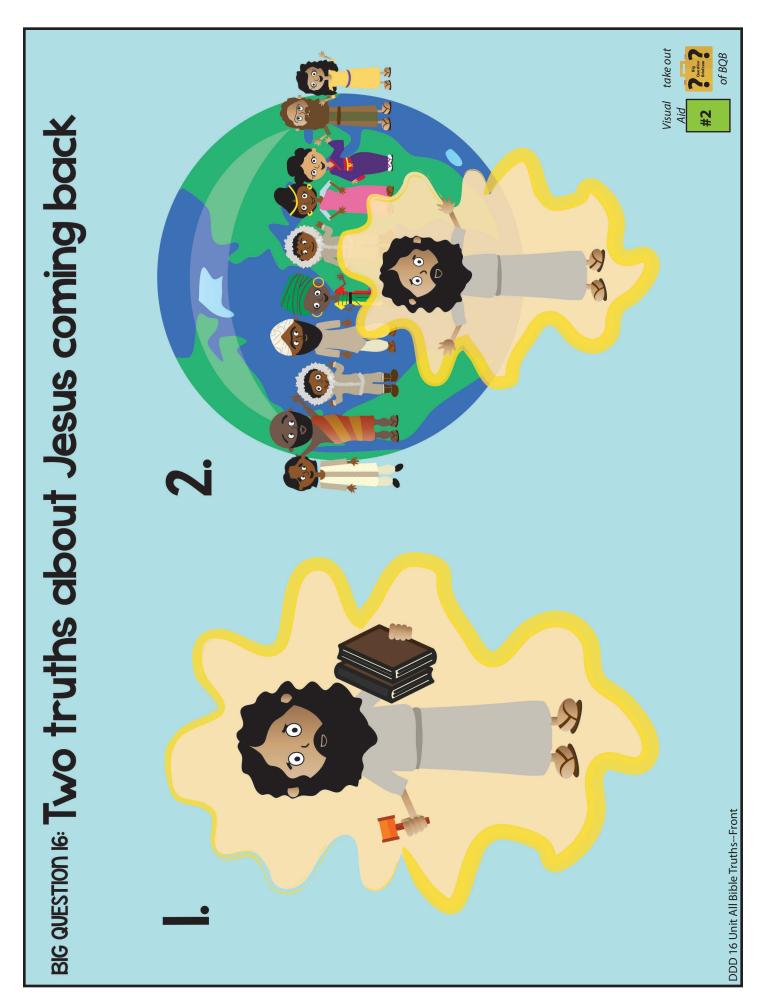
Big Q & A I6 Song

DDD NIV Songs 16, track 12 (adapted version of "The Bear Went Over the Mountain)

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

God will make everything new, God will make everything new.

DDD 16 Big Question Picture--Back



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 all tell us more about the good things that God made.

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

After everyone has had a good look say...

"Ok, we've learned one truth about Jesus coming back. It's this one: "Jesus Will Judge All People Fairly" (point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth). Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue sign and see if we can figure out which of these four 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.



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!
God's People Will ???? Happily with God Forever!"

We're missing one word. Here's the hint to what the missing word is. It says: "Where someone makes their home? It starts with an "I" and it rhymes with "give."

Can you guess? It's "give."

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?
God Will Make Everything New!
God's People Will LIVE Happily with God Forever!"

And here is what this Bible Truth means: (read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:)

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DDD 16, Bible Truth 2--Back



DDD 16.2 Bible Verse Picture--front

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse

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

Revelation 19:6-7 tells us:

Revelation 19:6-7

"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready."

Learn a Little: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns."

What does that mean?

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Hallelujah: Revelation 19:6-7

DDD NIV Songs 16, track 2

Then God said, "Let us make man, Let us make man in our own image." Then God said, "Let us make man, Let us make man in our own image." Male and female, He created them, Male and female, He created them.

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"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 Promise Keeper" Isaiah 1,2,6,24,25,49,52-53,60,65,66; Daniel 3; Revelation 21



Detective Dan's Assignment #1 Listening

I. What promises were the people of Israel waiting to come true? 2. Who has come and will come again, so that all these promises come true?





Revelation 19:6-7, NIV

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I. Who were the people of Israel looking forward to coming and being their Forever King?

2. What was the name of that king? What will it be like when He comes back?

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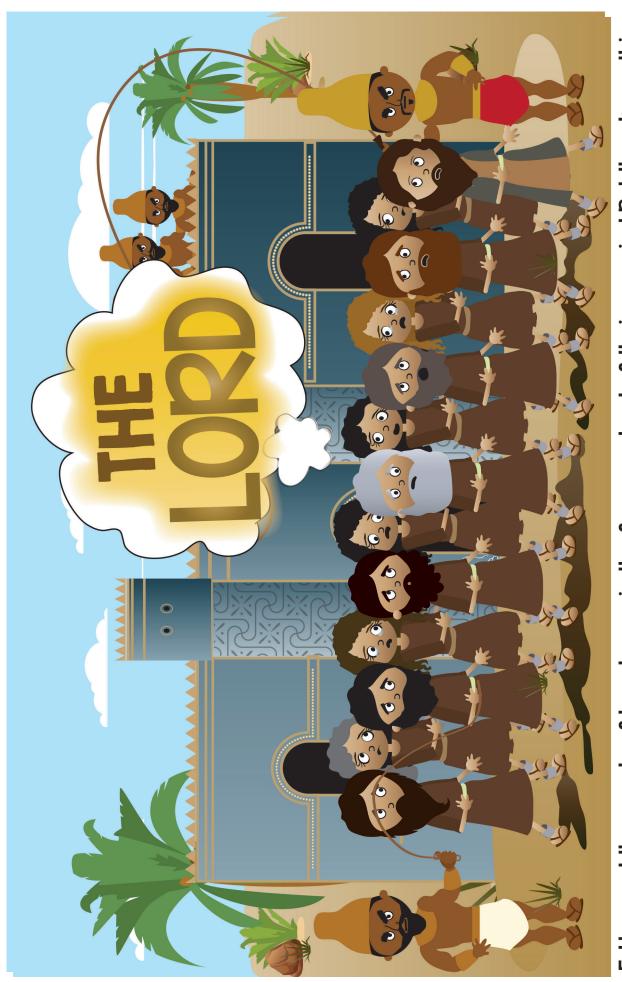


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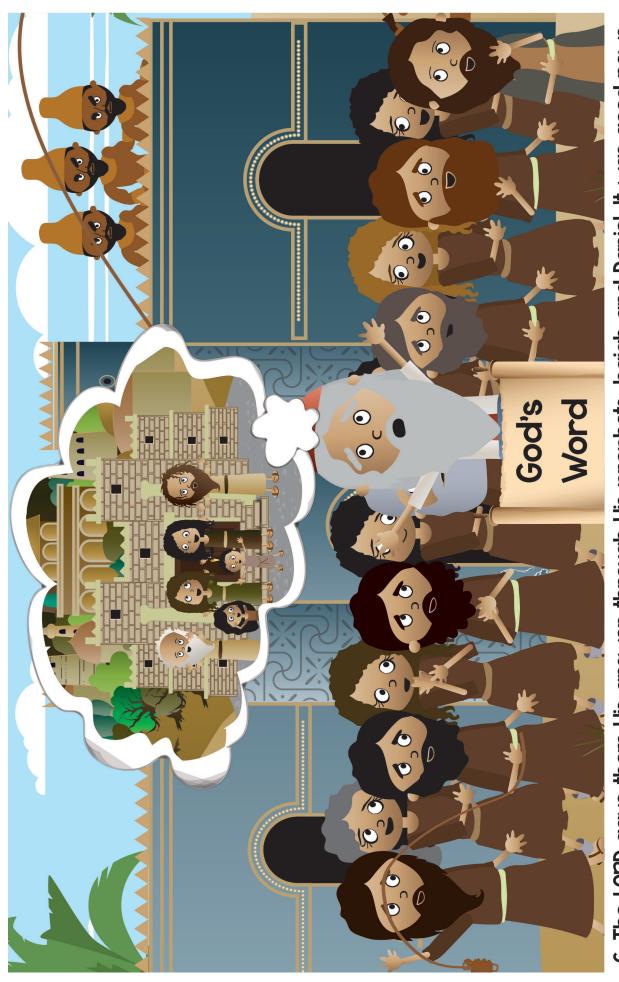
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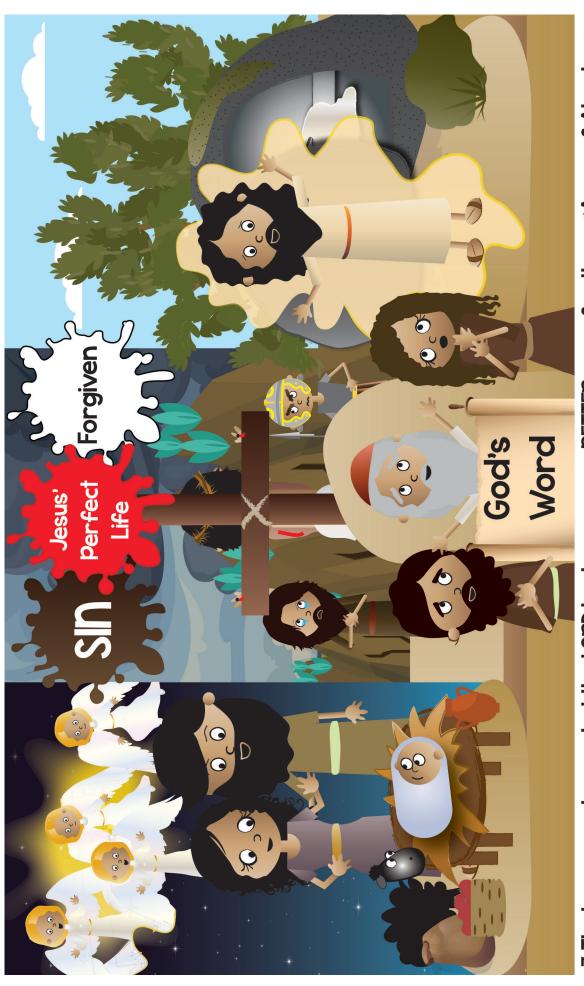
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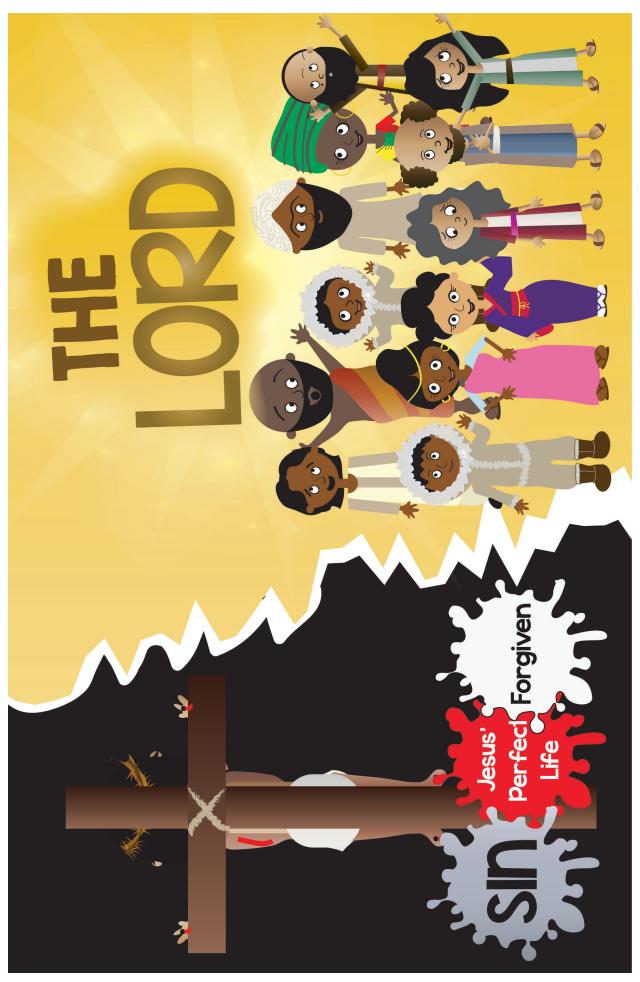
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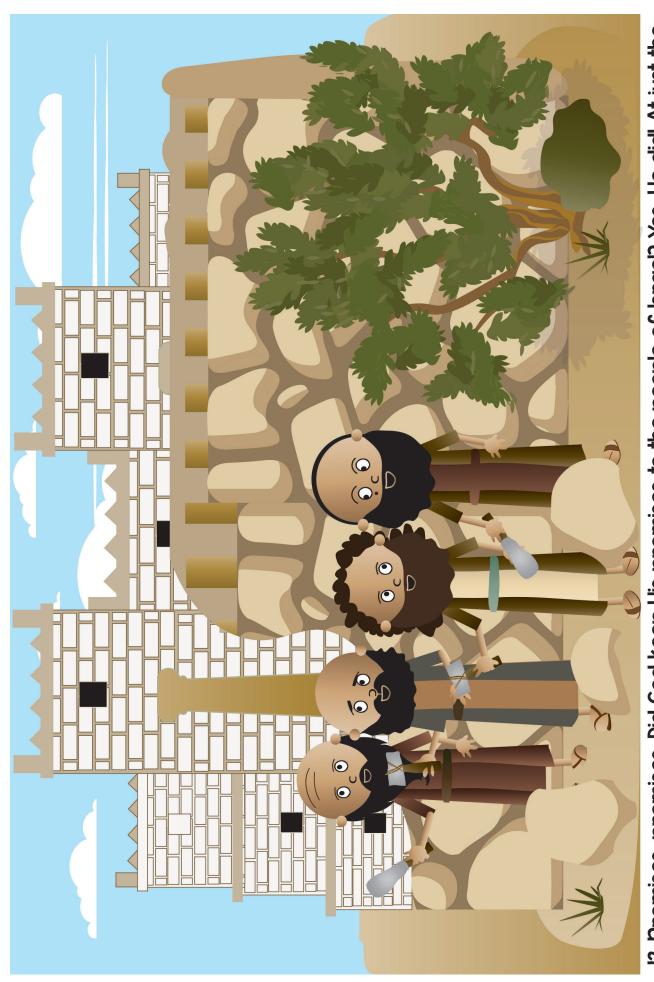
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people from their sins. He was born in Bethlehem one night, and He came to bless all the peoples of the world, and to save God's angels sang and rejoiced at His birth.

Do you know His name? I bet you do! It's Jesus!



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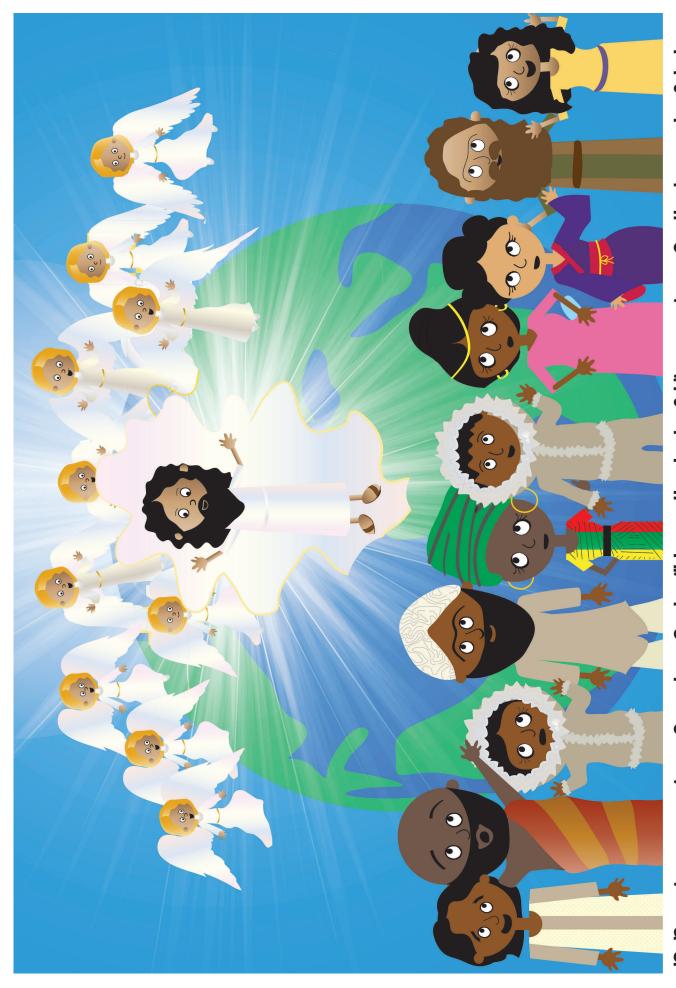
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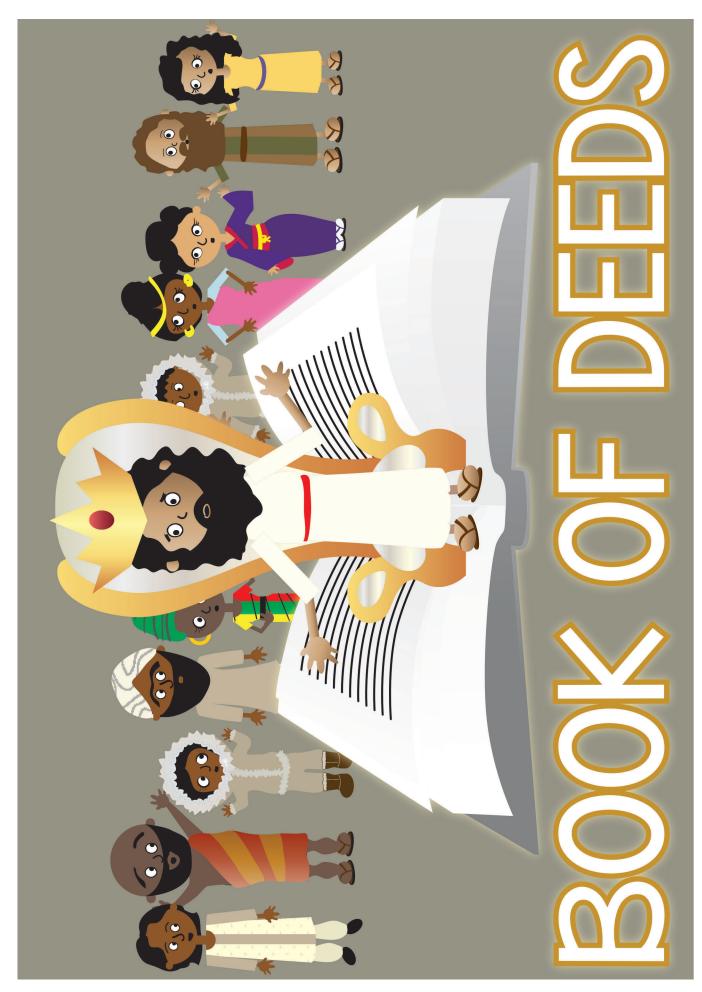
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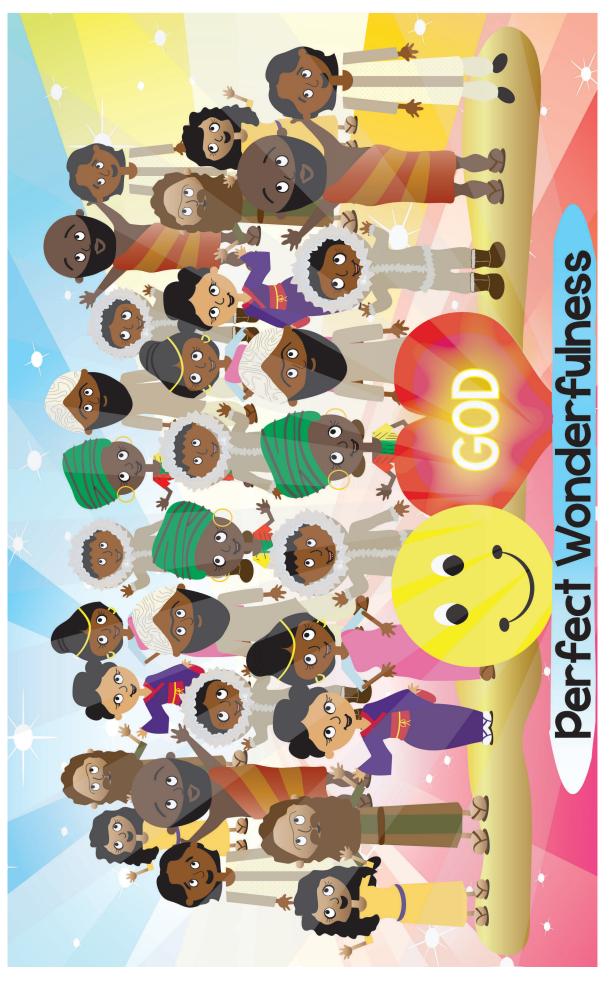
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SOLVED

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #I



Detective Dan's

Revelation 19:6-7, NIV

Assignment #2

Listening

"Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready."

I. Who were the people of Israel looking forward to coming and being their Forever King?

A special son God would send.

2. What was the name of that king? What will it be like when He comes back?

Jesus is the name of that Forever King. He will do away with sin and death. He will create a new heaven and earth to replace this broken one. Jesus will live together with God's people forever. How happy they will be!

For You and Me:

The day Jesus comes back will be a great day of celebration for God's people. They look forward to living with Him forever. They look forward to sin and death been gone forever. We can become God's people, too. How? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Then, we will be able to look forward to celebrating on that day and living with Jesus forever, too.

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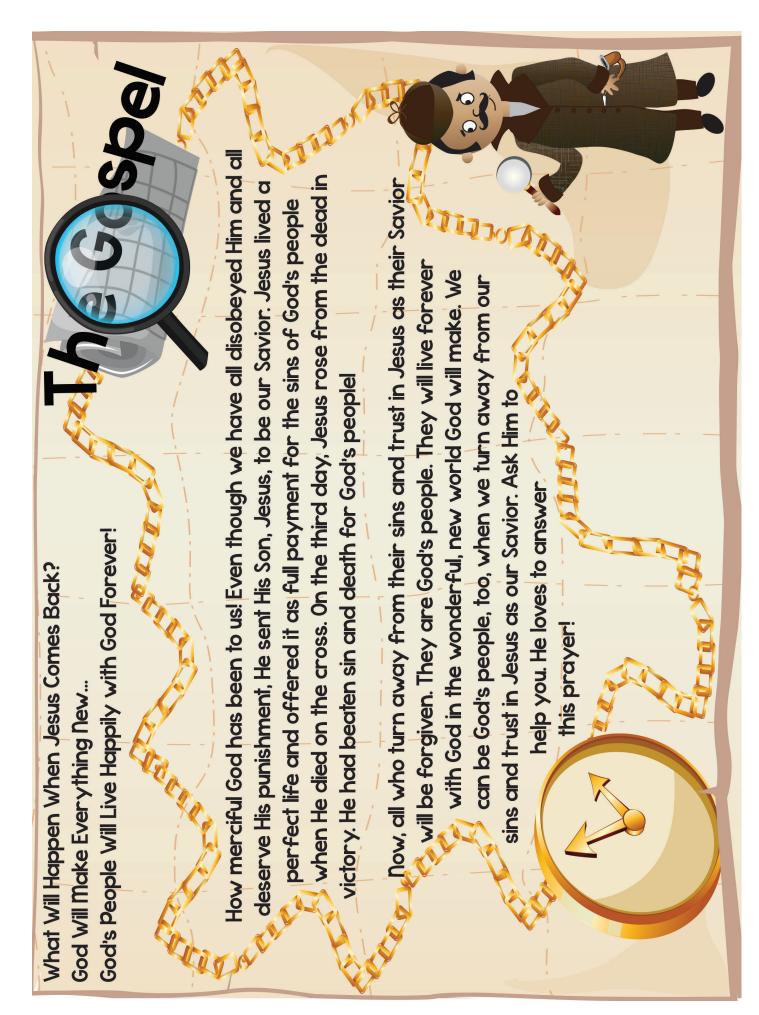
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2. Who has come and will come again, so that all these

promises come true?

Jesns

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God we all deserve His punishment. But through Jesus,
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too. What a wonderful day it will be when Jesus comes
with Him forever. It can be a happy day for us, too, if we
turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



A Prayer

A We praise You, Jesus! You are the great King who now rules over everything in heaven and will return one day. You will do away with sin, sadness, and death. You will be the great King over the new heaven and earth forever. C Jesus, we know that we disobey You and God's good laws. We can never be good enough on our own to deserve to live with You when You return. We need a Savior! T Thank You, Jesus, that we can be God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in You as our Savior. Thank You for promising to get rid of sin, sadness, and death when You come back again. Thank You that You will create a perfect, new world for God's people to enjoy with You forever.

Savior. Help us to love You and live for You today. Help us to look forward to S Work in our hearts. Help us turn away from our sins and trust in You as our the day when You come back and make all things new. Come back soon, Jesus!

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

