

Detective Dan's Big Question Box



Big Question #3:

The Case of the Stranger's Very Good News



“Hi! Welcome to Hide ‘n’ Seek Kids! We’re so glad you’ve joined us. Detective Dan is going to help us dig deep down into God’s Word, the Bible. Come on. Let’s go!”

HIDE 'N'
SEEK
KIDS



Big Question
Box Song



“Wow, look at this! It’s Detective Dan’s briefcase with a secret message inside for the Hide ‘n’ Seek Kids. Come on, everybody. Let’s unlock it and see what’s inside.”



"Hide 'n' Seek Kids! I've got a Big Question about God for you. It's inside my shoe. Read it and see if you can find the answer in God's Word. See you soon, Your Friend, Detective Dan!"



The Hide 'n' Seek Kids found the clue from the shoe, and read: "What Is the Gospel? John 3:16."

John 3:16
**“For God so
loved the
world,
that he gave
his only Son,**

**that whoever
believes in him
should not perish
but have eternal
life.”**



For God So Loved
the World
John 3:16

The kids knew what to do next! They opened up their Bible to John 3:16, and read: “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Do you have the answer to my Big Question?" he asked. "We think so! All who trust in Jesus as their Savior will be forgiven their sins and get to live with God forever."



Big Q & A 3
Nursery
Song



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**“The Big Question is: “What’s the Gospel? And the answer is: It’s Salvation through Faith in Jesus!”
“Great job, kids! You did it!”**



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“Gospel means “good news.” In the Bible, the gospel is the good news that God sent His Son, Jesus, to save sinners like you and me from the punishment we deserve for our sins. Jesus did this when He suffered and died on the cross, giving His perfect life as the full payment for our sins. This salvation is for all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. It is a gift God offers to us, too. Now that is good news, indeed!”



“The Case of the Stranger’s Very Good News”

Acts 8:1-8

Bible Chant
Song



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“Tell us a Bible story, Detective Dan, we want to dig deeper into God’s Word.”

“Sure, kids! I know just the story. It’s called ‘The Case of the Stranger’s Very Good News.’ Listen for the name of the stranger and what was the very good news he told to the people in Samaria.”

"The Case of the Stranger's Very Good News" Acts 8:1-8

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who ran away from Jerusalem and went to Samaria?
2. What was the good news he brought with him and shared?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

John 3:16, ESV:

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

1. Who did God use to tell the world the good news about His Son, Jesus?
2. What happened when they shared the good news?

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

Something to Grow Into



I. "Run away from Jerusalem!" the church leaders told the believers. "Jesus' enemies are after you! They will hurt you and put you in jail,". So, many Christians packed their bags and ran away.



2. Some Christians went down the sea and made their home there. And what good news did they tell the people they met? The gospel--the good news of Jesus!



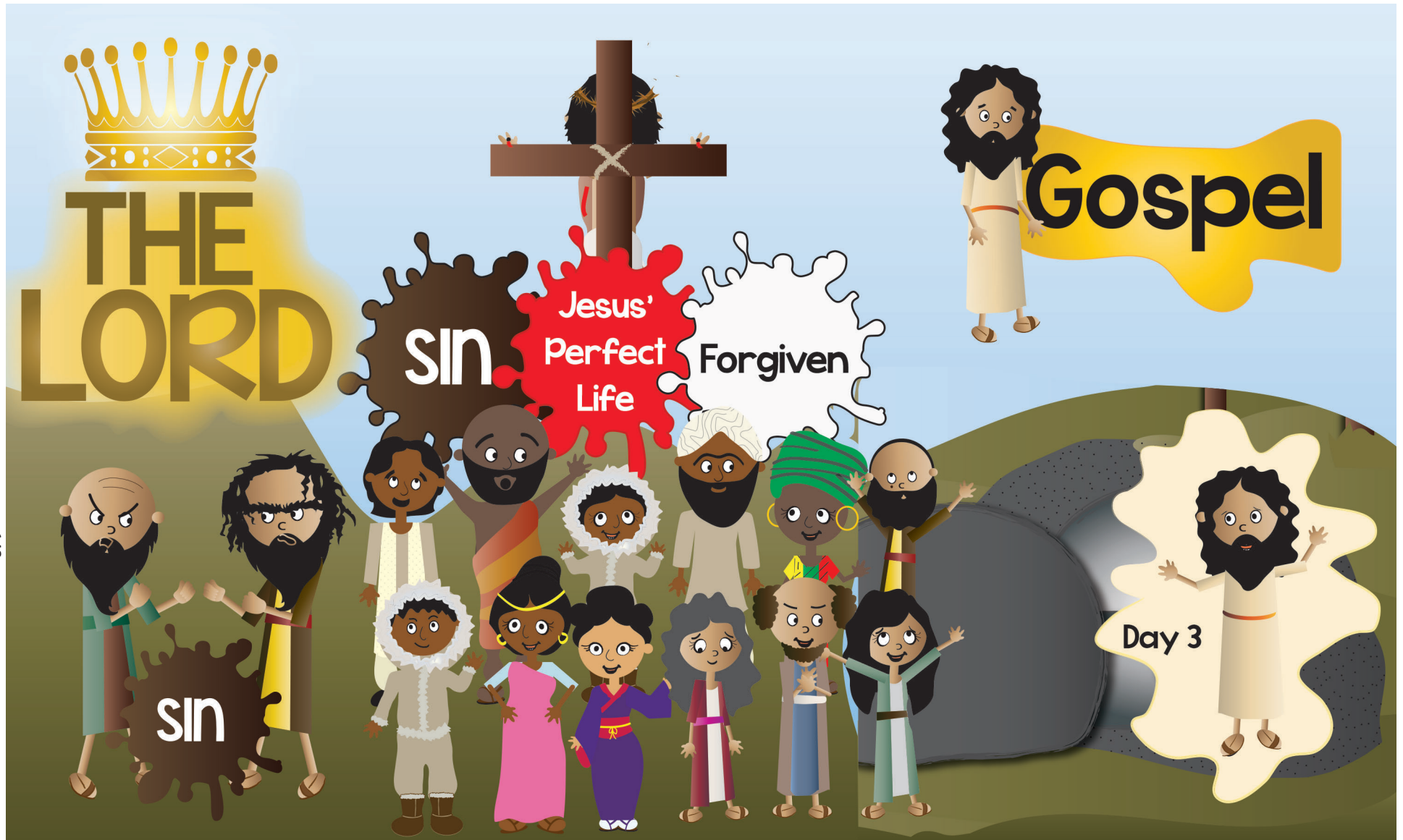
3. Some went out to dry, deserty lands and made their home there. And what did they tell the people they met there? The gospel--the good news of Jesus!



4. Some went up to the tall mountains and made their home there. And what did they tell the people they met there? The gospel--the good news of Jesus!



5. Some even went to live in enemy lands. Philip went to the land of Samaria. And what did he tell the people? You guessed it! The gospel, the good news of Jesus.



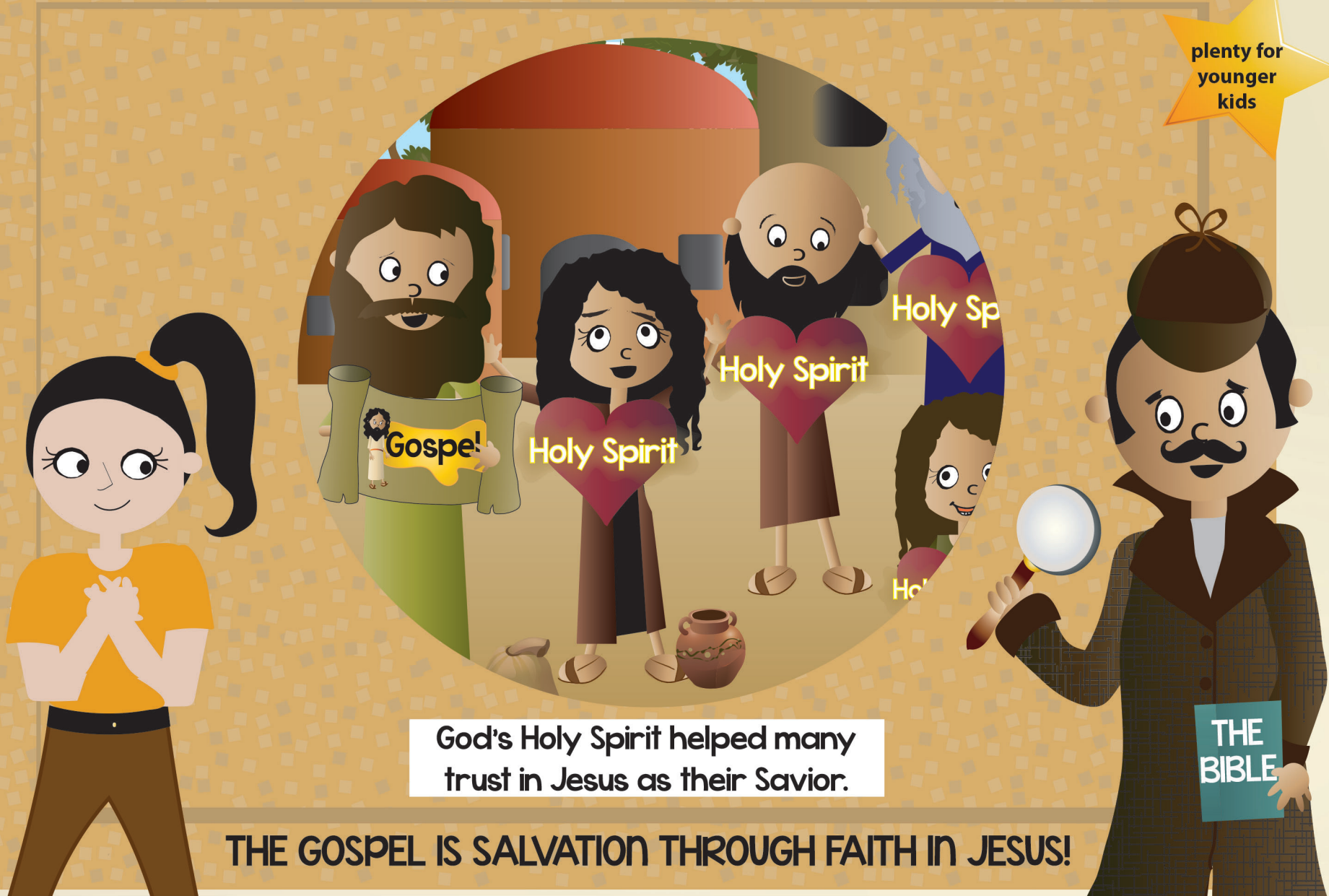
6. Philip shared this good news: "We all disobey God's good ways. That's sin. We deserve God's punishment, but God sent His Son, Jesus, to save God's people. Jesus suffered and died on the cross to pay for their sins. Then, He rose from the dead. He beat sin and death for them. Trust in Jesus as your Savior, and live for Him! Become one of God's people, too." Philip urged them.



7. God did amazing things as Philip shared about Jesus. Sick people were healed by God's power. But best of all, the Holy Spirit helped many trust in Jesus as their Savior and live for Him. Philip and these new believers were so happy! The gospel was such good news!

“The Case of the Stranger’s Very Good News”

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younger
kids



God's Holy Spirit helped many trust in Jesus as their Savior.

THE GOSPEL IS SALVATION THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS!

“What did God do when Philip told the people of Samaria the good news of Jesus?”

"The Case of the Stranger's Very Good News" Acts 8:1-8

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who ran away from Jerusalem and went to Samaria?
Philip.
2. What was the good news he brought with him and shared?
That God forgives our sins and makes us His people, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

For You and Me:

The good news Philip shared wasn't just for the people of Samaria. It's for us, too! God will forgive our sins and make us His people, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will help us do this, if we ask Him to. What good news that is!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

John 3:16, ESV

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

1. Who did God use to tell the world the good news about His Son, Jesus?
His people--Philip and the other Christians.
2. What happened when they shared the good news?
God worked in the hearts of many. They turned from their sins and trusted in Jesus as their Savior.

For You and Me:

God still uses His people today to tell others the good news about His Son, Jesus. God has even used them to tell us the good news of Jesus today! We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe the good news of Jesus. We can ask Him to help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He loves to do this!

Something to Grow Into

Our Bible Truth is:
What Is the Gospel?
It's Salvation through Faith in Jesus Christ!

The Gospel

Philip was so happy when the people of Samaria heard the good news of Jesus and believed. That good news can be for us, too!

You see, we have all disobeyed God and deserve His punishment, but Jesus came to take the punishment for sins when He died on the cross. His perfect life paid for them all! He rose from the dead on Day Three, proving He had really beaten sin and death.

Jesus can be our Savior when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. When we do, God will forgive our sins and save us! He will live in our heart, helping us to know Him right now. And one day, we will go to live with Him in heaven forever. That will be best of all!



Gospel Songs

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Something to Grow Into

“God helped the people of Samaria believe the good news of Jesus. He can help us, too. Let’s pray to Him now.”

A Prayer

We praise You, LORD. You give us the good news that we can be save from our sins!

Thank You for sending Jesus that we can become your people.

Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to love and obey You.

In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



Something to Grow Into

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A Prayer

A We praise you, God. You love us so much! You, Yourself, have chosen to send a Savior to save us!

C God, in our heart we know that You are God and that we should obey You, but many times we don't. We are all sinners who deserve Your punishment for disobeying You. Oh, how we need a Savior!

T Thank You for sending Your dear Son, Jesus to be that Savior. Thank You for making the way for our sins to be forgiven.

S Work deep inside our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to know You and live for You. Help us to go and tell others the good news of the gospel, too.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



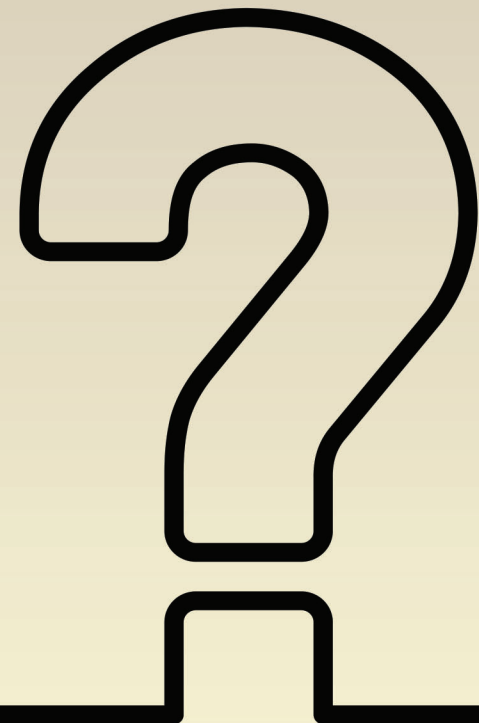


“Hide ‘n’ Seek Kids, it’s almost time for me to go. But first, let’s celebrate what we’ve learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let’s get bouncy!”

Big Question #3
Nursery Rhyme Song



What's the gospel?
What's the gospel?
Can you tell me what it is?
It's salvation through faith in Jesus,
That's what the gospel is. (repeat)



Kids! Let's sing the Big Question and Answer Detective Dan taught us today.

The Gospel Song (Full Concept)

Refrain:

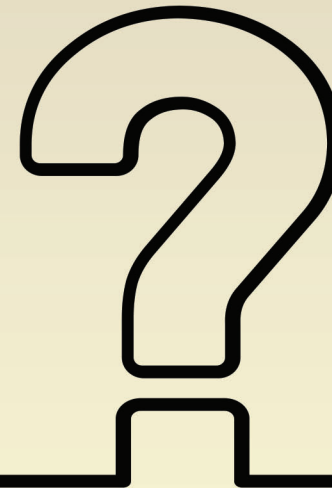
What is the gospel? G-O-S-P-E-L?
 What is the gospel? Can anybody tell me?
 What is the gospel? Yes, I know what it is!
 Salvation through faith in Christ,
 That's what the gospel is.

"G" is for God, our good King and Creator,
 "O", we should obey Him,
 but instead we're disobeyers,
 So "S", we need a Savior to save us from our sins,
 That Savior is Jesus, who "P" took the punishment.
 Yes, Jesus died upon the cross, the perfect sacrifice,
 Then on Day Three, He rose again
 To prove He'd won the fight,
 And now "E" everyone who repents & believes in Him,
 He gives "E-L" eternal life: forever life with Him.



The Gospel Song (Short)

We've all disobeyed God's good ways,
 But God sent His Son to save,
 All who turn back to Him, and pray:
 "Jesus, be my Savior,
 Take all my sins away."
 This is the gospel,
 This is God's good news:
 Jesus died on the cross,
 Then on the 3rd day..
 He rose from the dead.
 Ask Him to be your Savior, too.
 Ask Him to be your Savior, too!



Here are two songs that help us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

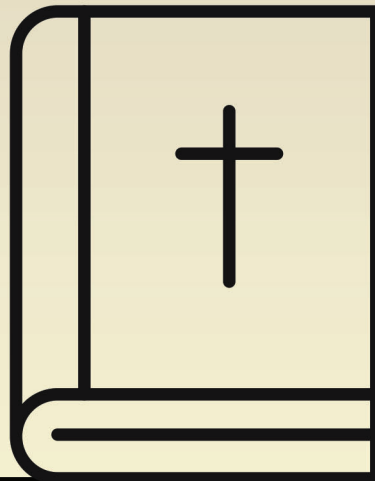
Big Question #3 Bible Verse Song:

For God So Loved the World, John 3:16

For God so loved the world,
That He gave His only Son,
That whoever believes in Him
shouldn't perish,
But have eternal life.

For God so loved the world,
That He gave His only Son,
That whoever believes in Him
shouldn't perish,
But have eternal life.

John Three, sixteen.



“Let’s hide God’s Word in our hearts! Let’s sing our Bible verse!”

Big Question #3 Hymn

And Can It Be, Refrain

Refrain

Amazing love, how can it be?
That thou, my God, should die for me?
Amazing love, how can it be?
That thou, my God, should die for me?

Big Question #3 Praise Song

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus, v.1

I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
No turning back, no turning back.

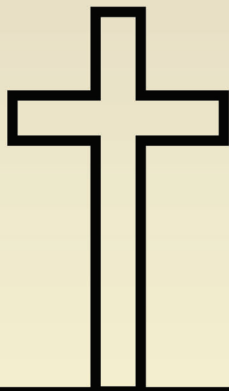


“Let’s praise the Lord for the wonderfully good news of the gospel!”

The Gospel Song (Short)

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But God sent His Son to save,
All who turn back to Him, and pray:
"Jesus, be my Savior,
Take all my sins away."

This is the gospel,
This is God's good news:
Jesus died on the cross,
Then on the 3rd day...
He rose from the dead.
Ask Him to be your Savior, too.
Ask Him to be your Savior, too!



The Gospel Song (Full)

Refrain:

What is the gospel? G-O-S-P-E-L?
What is the gospel? Can anybody tell me?
What is the gospel? Yes, I know what it is!
Salvation through faith in Christ,
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but instead we're disobeyers,
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And now "E" everyone who repents & believes in Him,
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"Let's sing about the gospel: God's best good news that we can become His people through Jesus."

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song

Come along, we're gonna Hide 'n' seek!
Hide God's Word in our heart
and Him, we'll seek,
God loves to show us
the truths of His Word,
That we might know Him
and live out what we've learned.



Bible Chant Song

The Bible, the Bible,
Let's get out the Bible.
Let's hear what God has to say.
The Bible, the Bible,
God's given us the Bible.
It's His Word for us to learn and obey! Yay!



Classroom Rules Song

Shh, be quiet while someone is talking,
Raise your hand,
if you have something to say,
Don't touch your friend,
sitting beside you,
Obey your teachers,
Be kind as you play.
These are our classroom rules,
These are our classroom rules,
They help us worship God
and love one another,
These are our classroom rules.



ACTS Prayer Song

A, Adoration: God, we praise You!
C, Confession: Forgive us our sins.
T, Thanksgiving: Thank You for Jesus,
S, Supplication: Help us to live like Him. (repeat)

That's the ACTS prayer, my friend,
Bow head, Close your eyes,
Shhh, Let's begin.

