

# Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #1:**

**The Case of the Old Man Who Looked for God**



**“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 in the clue jar. 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 in the jar, and read: "How Can I Know What God Is Like? Amos 4:13."

**Amos  
4:13**

**“The LORD  
reveals  
His  
thoughts to  
man.”**



The LORD  
Reveals  
Amos 4:13

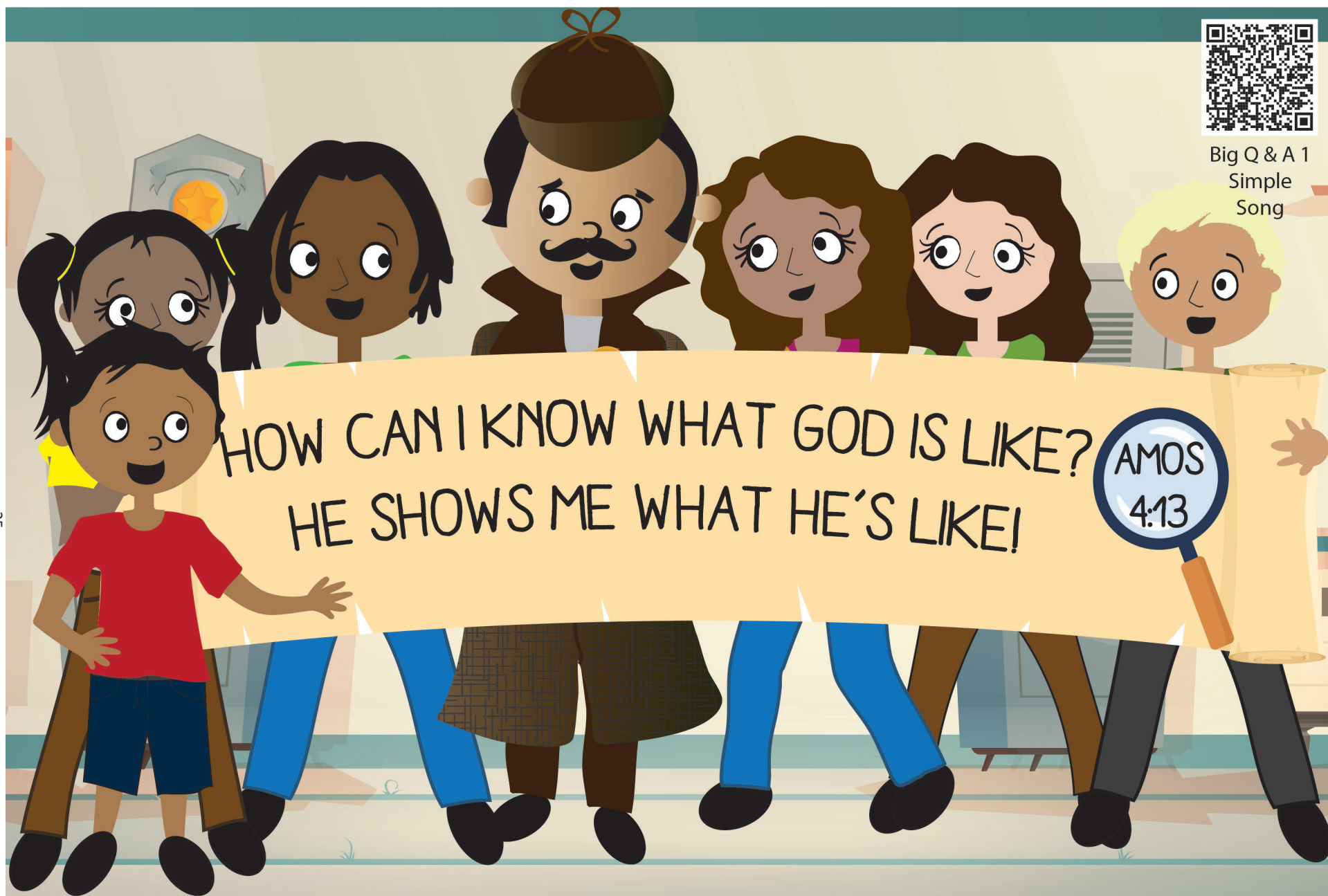
The kids knew what to do next! They opened up their Bible to Amos 4:13, and read: “[The LORD] reveals His thoughts to man.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Do you have the answer to my Big Question?" he asked. "We think so! God reveals his thoughts to people, and that means He shows us what He's like."



Big Q & A 1  
Simple  
Song



“Our Big Question is: How Can I Know What God Is Like? And the answer is: He Shows Me What He's Like!”





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Big Question 1  
Tell Me More  
Song



“God made people with a special heart, so they could know and love Him. This isn’t the heart that pumps blood through our body. This is something very different. We can’t feel this heart inside of us like we can feel the heart that beats in our chest. This heart is even more amazing! THIS heart will never die--it lives forever! The Bible also calls this heart a spirit or a soul. And it’s with this very special heart that God shows us what He’s like.”



Bible Chant  
Song

# “The Case of the Old Man Who Looked for God”

Luke 2:25-32



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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 Old Man Who Looked for God.’ Listen for the old man’s name, and how God showed him what He’s like.”

# "The Case of the Old Man Who Looked for God" Luke 2:25-32

more depth  
for  
older kids



## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the old man who looked for God?
2. How did he find out what God was like?

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## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Amos 4:13, ESV:

"He who declares to man what is His thought...The LORD, the God of hosts, is His name."

1. Who did the LORD declare His thoughts to?
2. What book did the LORD use to declare His thoughts?

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

Something to Grow Into



I. Simeon was a very old man. He knew and loved God in his heart. But, oh, how he wanted to know more about God and what He is like.



2. Simeon knew God created the whole world. He could learn more about God as he looked at all that God had made. But oh, how Simeon wanted to know more about God and what He is like!



3. Simeon read the Bible, God's Word. He learned that God is good and great, loving and wise. But oh, how Simeon wanted to know more about God and what He is like!



4. One day, God gave Simeon a wonderful promise: "The Savior is coming soon. He will show people what I am like. He will save all who put their trust in Him," God told Simeon. "Go to the Worship Place. That's where I'll show Him to you before you die."



5. Simeon went to the Worship Place, and who did he see? Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus. Simeon was so happy. Here was God's Son, the promised Savior!





6. Jesus didn't stay a baby. He grew up to be a man. Then, it was time to do God's amazing plan.



7. Jesus told everyone about God, and He showed them what God is like, in all He said and did.

Day 3



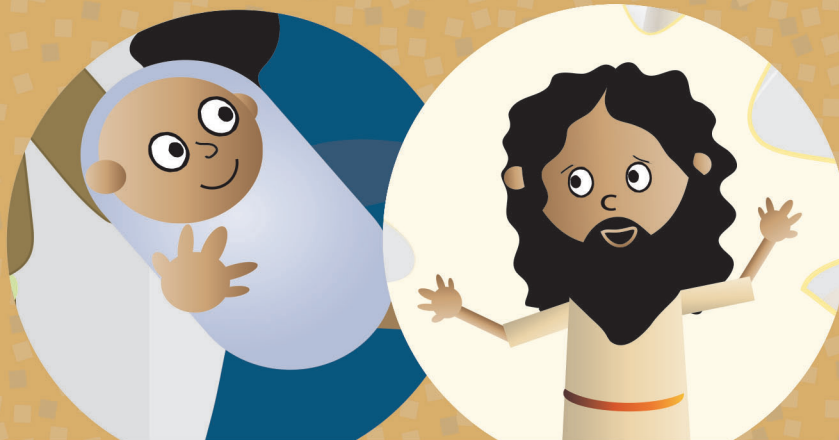
8. Then, Jesus finished God's plan by dying on the cross to pay for the sins of God's people. Jesus was buried that sad day, but He didn't stay there. On Day Three, Jesus rose up from the dead! Jesus had beaten sin and death for God's people! Yay!



9. One day, old Simeon died and went to live with God in heaven. This was Simeon's happiest day of all. Now, he would get to know what God was like, more and more, forever and ever!

# “The Case of the Old Man Who Looked for God”

plenty for  
younger  
kids



But Most of All, Through God's Son, Jesus!



## THE LORD SHOWS US WHAT HE'S LIKE!

“God showed Simeon what He was like in four ways. Can you name any of them?”

# "The Case of the Old Man Who Looked for God" Luke 2:25-32

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## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the old man who looked for God?  
Simeon.

2. How did he find out what God was like?  
Simeon knew God in his heart. He saw what God was like as he looked around him at the things God had made. He learned about God in the Bible, God's Word. And most of all, Simeon knew what God was like through His Son, Jesus.

For You and Me:

Like Simeon, we can know what God is like. God has given us a heart to know and love Him. We can look around us and see what He's like in the things He has made. We can learn about Him in the Bible; and, we can know what He's like most of all when we learn about Jesus. We can ask God to show us what He's like and help us to know and love Him. He delights to do this!

# SOLVED

## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Amos 4:13, ESV:

"He who declares to man what is His thought...The LORD, the God of hosts, is His name."

1. Who did the LORD declare His thoughts to?  
Simeon.

2. What book did the LORD use to declare His thoughts? The Bible, God's Word.

For You and Me:

The LORD can show us what He's like, as we look around us at the amazing things He's made. God can declare His thoughts to us, as we read the Bible, His Word, and learn about His Son, Jesus. God can help us know Him in our hearts. Ask God to show Himself to you! He delights to do this!

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## Something to Grow Into

Our Bible Truth is:  
How Can I Know What God Is Like?  
He Shows Me What He's Like!

# The Gospel



God gave each of us a heart to know and love Him, too. But sadly, we all have chosen to turn away from God and live life our own way. This sin separates us from God. Only with God's help, we can know Him or be His people.

But God sent His Son, Jesus, to make the way for people to know and love God once more. Jesus lived a perfect life, then He offered it as full payment for sins, when He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, He rose from the dead. He had beaten sin and death for God's people!

God invites us to become His people, by turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. If we do, His Holy Spirit will come live in our hearts, so we can know and love God now. And one day, to go to live with God in heaven forever. That will be best of all!

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Gospel Songs

Something to Grow Into



**“The LORD can show us what He’s like, too. He loves to help us. Let’s ask Him now. Let’s pray.”**

## **A Prayer**

**We praise You, LORD. You show us what You are like!**

**Thank You for all the different ways You show us what You are like. Thank You most of all for Jesus.**

**Work in our hearts. Show us more of You. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.**

**In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**



ACTS Prayer Song





## Something to Grow Into

# A Prayer

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- A We praise you, God. You show us what You are like!
- C LORD, in our heart we know that You are God. We know we should obey You. but many times we don't want to. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!
- T Thank You for wanting us to know You. Thank You for giving us a heart to know You; and, for making this world that shows us what You are like. Thank You for what we learn about You in Your Word, the Bible. And most of all, thank You for showing us what You are like in Your Son, Jesus.
- 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. Put in our hearts the special kind of happy that comes only from knowing You. Help us to go and tell others what we've learned.

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!”**

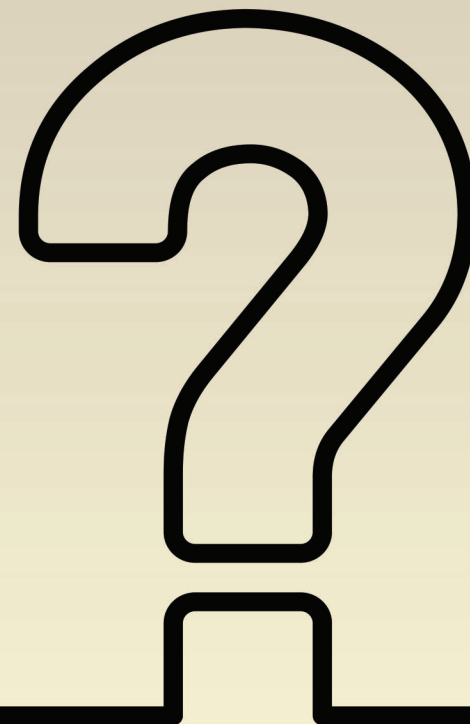
## Big Q & A | Simple Song

How can I know what God is like?

God is like? God is like?

How can I know what God is like?

He shows me what He's like!



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

## Big Question #1 Tell Me More Song

I have a very big question,  
a big question 'bout God,  
I have a very big question,  
It's Big Question Number One,  
I wanna know...

Refrain:

How can I know what God is like?  
How can I know what God is like?  
How can I know what God is like?  
He shows me what He's like!

Verse 1:

My heart can know and love God,  
He made everything I see.  
Big tall mountain, galloping horses,  
Every little bird and bee. Refrain

Verse 2:

He gave us the Bible, His Word,  
To learn of His mighty deeds,  
But most of all, through Jesus, His Son,  
God shows Himself to me. Refrain

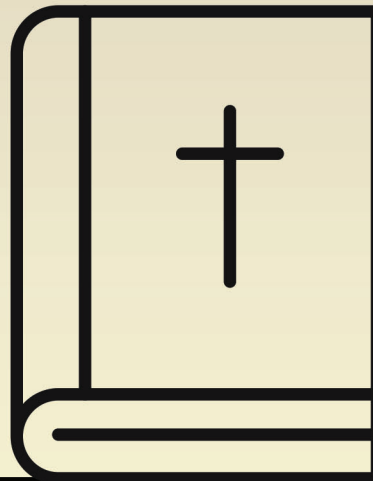


Here's a song that let's us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

## Big Question #1 Bible Verse Song:

### The LORD Reveals: Amos 4:13

The LORD reveals his thoughts to man,  
The LORD reveals his thoughts to man,,  
The LORD reveals his thoughts to man,  
Amos Four, thirteen.



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

## Big Question #1 Hymn

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

### Verse 1

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love,  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.

### Verse 2

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Heaven and earth reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.

## Big Question #1 Praise Song

Oh, Oh, Oh, How Good Is the Lord

### Verse 1

Oh! Oh! Oh! How good is the Lord,  
Oh! Oh! Oh! How good is the Lord,  
Oh! Oh! Oh! How good is the Lord,  
I never will forget what He has done for me.

### Verse 2

He shows Himself to me, How good is the Lord,  
He shows Himself to me, How good is the Lord,  
He shows Himself to me, How good is the Lord,  
I never will forget what He has done for me

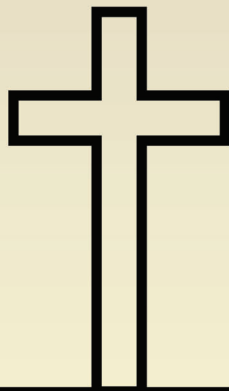


“Let’s praise the Lord for the wonderful ways He shows us what He’s like!”

## 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!



## 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,  
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.

"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!



### The Gathering Song

Let's gather together to worship God,  
Let's gather together to worship God,  
Come gather here with me.



### Let's Pray Song

1,2,3, Bow your head,  
Close your eyes,  
Fold your hands,  
Let's pray.



### Criss Cross Applesauce Song

Criss cross applesauce,  
Sit down please.  
Hands in your lap,  
Shh, look at me.



### 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,

