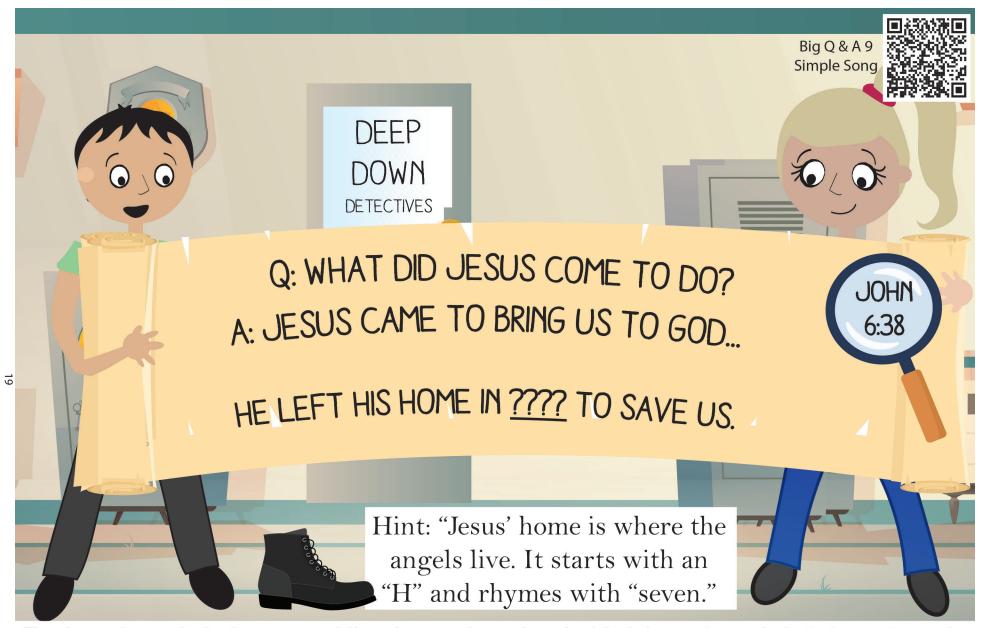




"Hi! Welcome to Deep Down Detectives! We're so glad you've joined us. Detective Dan is going to help us dig deep down into God's Word, the Bible. Come on. Let's go!"



"Wow, look at this! It's Detective Dan's briefcase with a new Big Question for us. It says, 'What Did Jesus Come to Do?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what's inside."



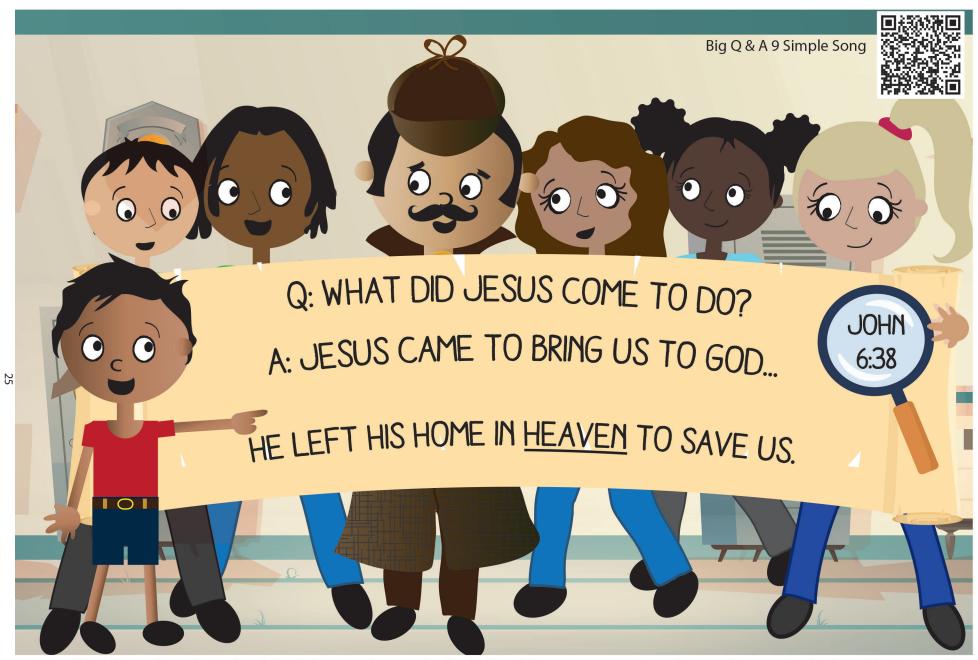
The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Left His Home in ????? to Save Us. John 6:38." Hint: "Jesus' home is where the angels live. It starts with an "H" and rhymes with "seven."



The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to John 6:38, and read: "I have come down from heaven to do the will of him who sent me."



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this first truth about what Jesus came to do?" he asked. "We think so! Jesus is God's Son who chose to leave His home in heaven to be our Savior, just as God, His Father, planned.



"Our Big Question is: What Did Jesus Come to Do? And the answer is: Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Left His Home in <u>HEAVEN</u> to Save Us." "Great job, kids! You did it!"



Jesus is God's Son. He always lived with God, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, enjoying the closest, most wonderful love. But Jesus chose to leave His home in heaven to be our Savior, here, in this world of sin and death. This was God's plan to save His people. Only Jesus' perfect life could pay for their sins. So, Jesus died on the cross to save them, then rose from the dead, proving He'd done it. We can be God's people, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



"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 Lover Who Left It All Behind.' Listen for who loved God's people so much that He left the most wonderful home ever to save them."

"The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind" Luke I-2; John I,6



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

- I. Who was the lover? Whom did He love?
- 2. What did He leave behind, and why?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



John 6:38, ESV

"For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me."

- I. Whose will (plan) did Jesus come down from heaven to do?
- 2. What was the plan, and did Jesus do it?

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



I. One night, long ago, baby Jesus was born to Mary in Bethlehem. Jesus chose to leave behind the Perfect Wonderfulness of heaven with God, His Father, and the Holy Spirit. Why? To carry out God's great plan to save His people on earth. And this was the only way to do it.



2. When Jesus grew up, He taught the people about God and did amazing things by God's power. Soon, big crowds came to Jesus. They followed Him wherever He went, even up into the lonely mountains on the other side of the Sea of Galilee.



3. Over five thousand people gathered there with Jesus. They stayed so long that they ran out of food. "Grumble! Grumble!" went thousands of hungry stomachs. "We need food," said thousands of hungry mouths, but only a boy's two fish and five loaves of bread were found to feed them.



4. That little bit of fish and bread could never feed thousands of grumbly stomachs ...or could it? Jesus took the fish and bread, gave thanks to God, His Father, then gave it to the crowds to eat. By God's amazing power, the fish and bread fed everyone full, with twelve baskets of leftovers!



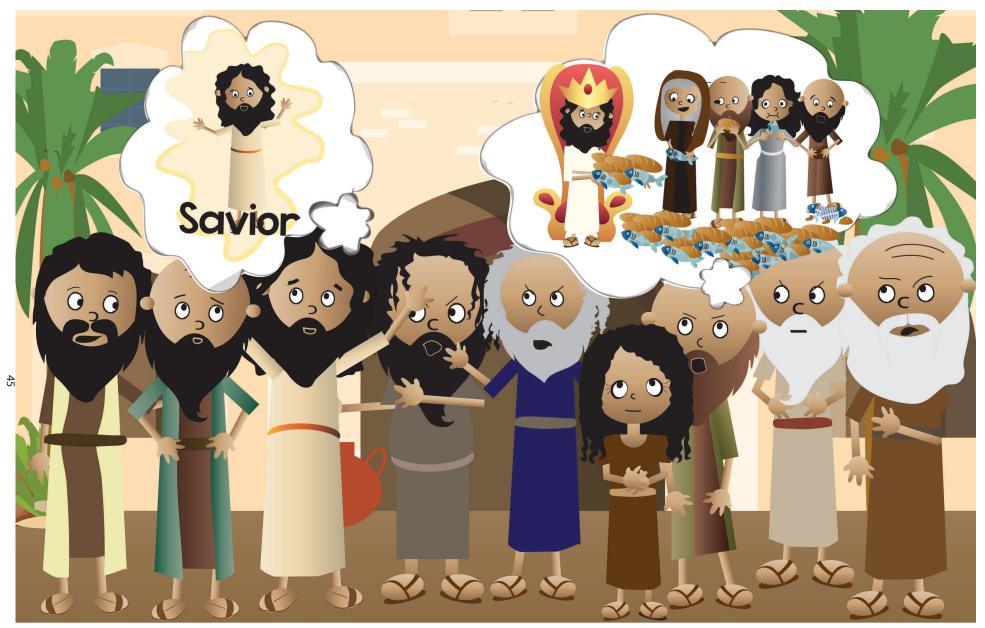
5. Now, the crowd was really excited. "Jesus must be the leader God promised to send us," the people thought. "Let's make him our king." Jesus had given them bread from heaven. What other good things might He give them, by God's power? They wanted Jesus to give them the good life.



6. Jesus knew what the people were thinking, and they had it wrong. He hadn't come down from heaven to give them more good things for life here. He had come to save them from sin and death, so they could have life with God as God's people forever. THAT would be best of all.



7. Jesus left the crowd and that night joined His disciples as they sailed back to Capernaum. The next day, the crowd sailed back to find Him. Oh, how they wanted the good food and the good life here on earth that Jesus had the power to give them, if He was their king!



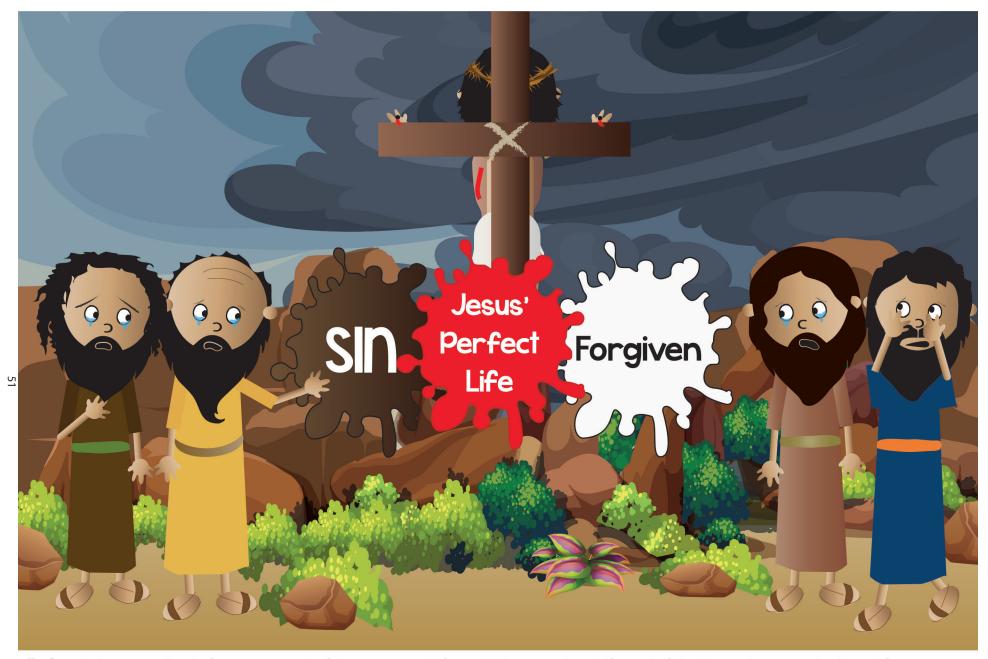
8. But Jesus refused. "God is giving you something from heaven that's even better than bread for your bellies," Jesus explained. "I am the bread of LIFE! God has sent Me from heaven to be Your Savior, so you can have wonderful life with God as His people FOREVER," Jesus said.



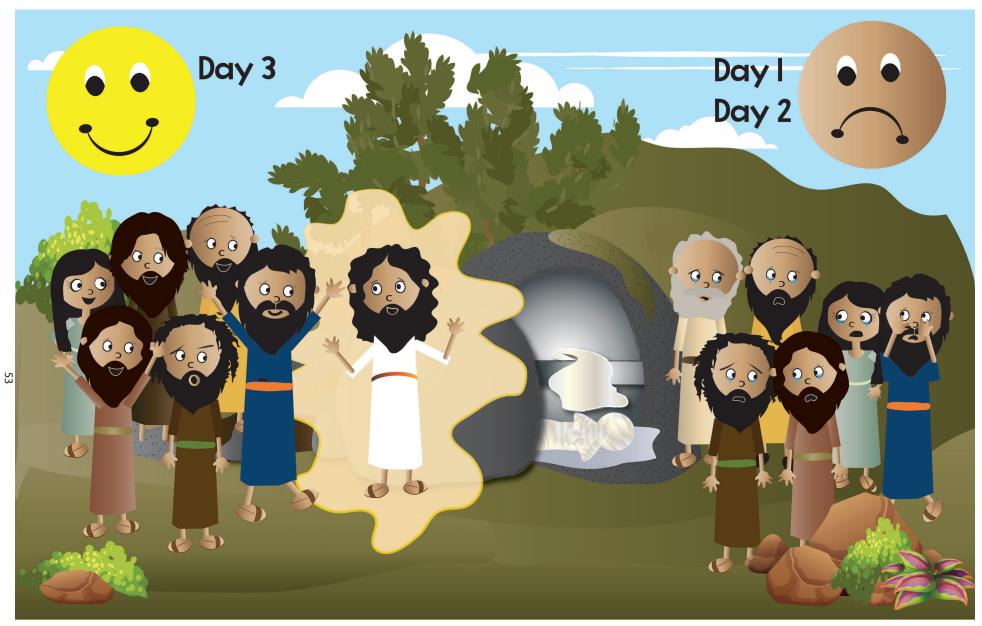
9. The people didn't like Jesus' answer. "How can Jesus say He came from heaven?" they grumbled. "We know He's the son of Joseph and Mary. Jesus is just a fake!" they decided and left Him. Only Jesus' disciples stayed. "Will you leave Me, too?" Jesus asked them.



10. No, they wouldn't! "How can we leave You?" they said to Jesus. "Where else would we go? We know and believe that You are the Holy One of God. God has sent You to save His people from their sins," they told Him.



II. And Jesus' disciples were right, weren't they? For on just the right day, Jesus died on the cross to give His perfect life as the full payment for the God's people's sins.



12. Then on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus had come down from heaven to do God's will and save God's people, and He did it! He had beaten sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

A: "Jesus, God's Son, left His wonderful home in heaven to be the Savior we needed."

"The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind" Luke I-2; John I,6



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

- I. Who was the lover? Whom did He love? Jesus was the lover. He loved God and He loved sinners, like you and me.
- 2. What did He leave behind, and why? Jesus left behind the Perfect Wonderfulness of life with God, the Father, and God, the Holy Spirit, in heaven. He left it behind, so He could be our Savior.

For You and Me:

Jesus didn't just come to earth to save people who lived long ago. He came to save people from every time and place. He even came to save us! How can we be saved? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

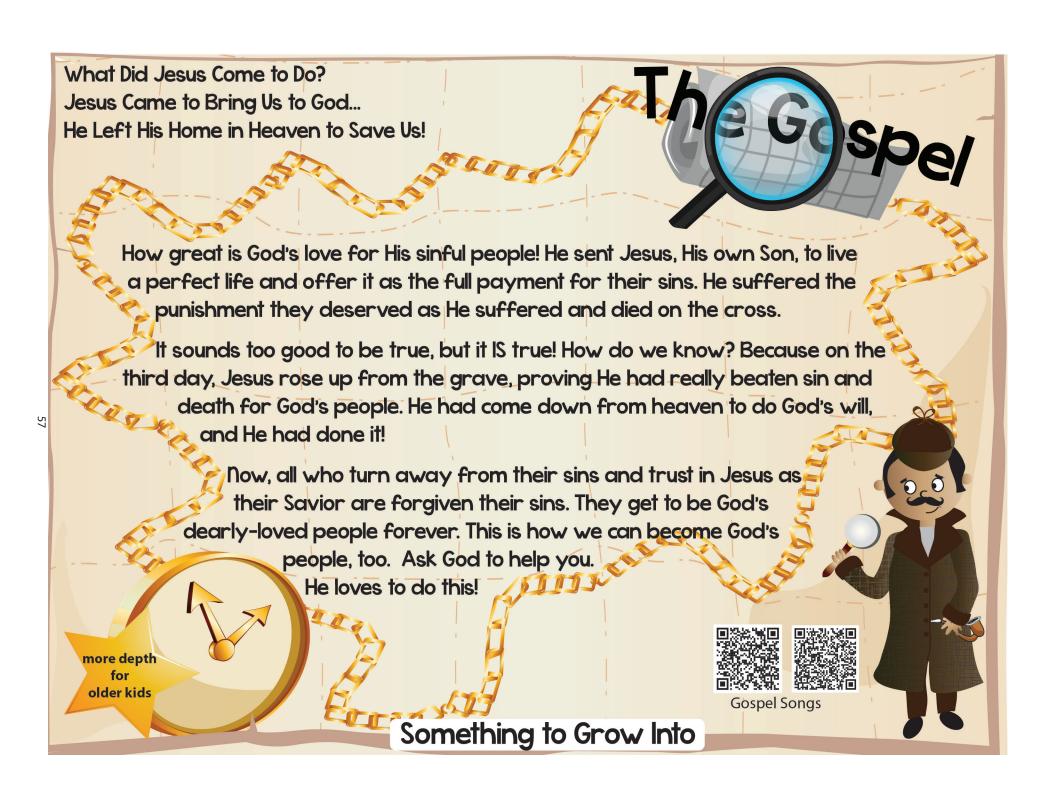


John 6:38, ESV

- "For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me."
- I. Whose will (plan) did Jesus come down from heaven to do? God's plan.
- 2. What was the plan, and did Jesus do it? God's plan was for Jesus to be our Savior. Yes, He did!

For You and Me:

How amazing that Jesus would choose to leave His home in heaven to come to be our Savior! How amazing that He would suffer and die on the cross in the place of God's sinful people! But that's exactly what He did. And He rose from the dead on the third day, proving He had really done it! We, too, can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



"Jesus is God's Son, come to be our Savior. Let's pray to Him now."

A Prayer

We praise You, Jesus, for Your great love. You chose to leave heaven to be our Savior.

Thank You for making the way for us to be God's people.

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

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



A Prayer

- A Jesus, we praise You for choosing to leave the Perfect Wonderfulness of heaven to be our Savior. You came to bring us to God.
- C Jesus, we are all sinners who deserve God's punishment. We could never be God's people on our own. Only You could bring us to God.
- Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross to save all who turn away from their sins and trust in You as their Savior.
- S Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins. Help us to trust in You as our Savior. Help us to tell others about You.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



"Deep Down Detectives, 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 #9 Simple Song

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!





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

Big Question #9 Tell Me More Song What Did Jesus Come to Do?

Refrain

What did Jesus come to do?
Jesus came to bring us to God.
What did Jesus come to do?
Jesus came to bring us to God.

Verse I
In the beginning, people enjoyed
Perfect fellowship with God.
But they disobeyed, their fellowship lost.
Would things always stay this way?
Refrain

Verse 2

At just the right time, God sent His Son to pay for His people's sins, He offered His life, the perfect sacrifice, Gave them fellowship with God again. Refrain

Verse 3

On the third day, Jesus rose from the grave, Then He went back home to heav'n. Now all who repent and believe in Him, Can know God forever. Refrain



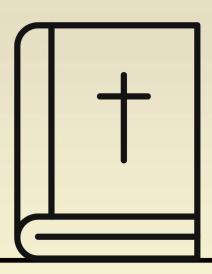


Big Question #9, Bible Truth | Bible Verse Song:

Down, Down, Down: John 6:38

Down, down, down,
I have come down,
Down, down, down,
I have come down.
I've come down from heaven,
Not to do my own will,
But the will of him,
Of him, who sent me. (Repeat)
John Six, thirty-eight.





Big Question #9 Hymn
To God Be the Glory

Verse I

To God be the glory, great things He hath done; So loved He the world that He gave us His Son. Who yielded His life, an atonement for sin, And opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice.
O, come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory,
great things He hath done.

Big Question 9 Praise Song Blessed Be the Name

All praise to Him, who reigns above, In majesty supreme.
Who gave His Son for man to die,
That He might man redeem!

Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord;
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord.







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. Deep Down Detectives Theme Song

We're Deep Down Detectives,
diggin' deep in God's Word,
For truths about God and His
plans for this world,
We're seeking to love Him, with
all of our heart,
We're Deep Down Detectives!
Come on! Let's start!



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.

