



Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #9, Bible Truth 6:
The Case of the Fluffy Farewell**



"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 case for us. It says, 'What Did Jesus Come to Do?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what's inside."



"Deep Down Detectives! This is your last of six missions in this Big Question. Look for your clue in my sunglasses. See if you can find the answer in God's Word. See you soon, Detective Dan!"



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Q: WHAT DID JESUS COME TO DO?
A: JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...
HE WENT UP TO ???? IN HEAVEN.

1 PETER
3:22

Hint: "Another word for being
in charge. Starts with an "R"
and rhymes with "jewel."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Went Up to ???? in Heaven. 1 Peter 3:22." Hint: "Another word for being in charge. Starts with an "R" and rhymes with "jewel."

1 Peter 3:22
“Jesus
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and is at
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Gone Into Heaven
1 Peter 3:21,22

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to 1 Peter 3:22, and read: “Jesus Christ has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this last truth about what Jesus came to do?" he asked. "We think so! After Jesus rose from the dead, He went to heaven and is there now, ruling over all things by God's power."



Q: WHAT DID JESUS COME TO DO?
A: JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...
HE WENT UP TO RULE IN HEAVEN.

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"Our Big Question is: What Did Jesus Come to Do? And the answer is: Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Went Up to RULE in Heaven. "Great job, kids! You did it!"



Big Question 9
Tell Me More
Song



"After Jesus rose from the dead, He appeared to His followers, teaching them about God's good plans. Then, He went to heaven to rule as king over everything. Even now, Jesus prays and cares for God's people as they carry out God's plans and live for Him. One day, Jesus will come back. He'll end sin and death and make a new heaven and earth for God's people to live with Him forever. We can be God's people if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior."



Bible Chant
Song

“The Case of the Fluffy Farewell”

Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 23-24; John 19-20; Acts 1



“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 Fluffy Farewell’ Listen for what was fluffy that hid Jesus as He went up to heaven.”

"The Case of the Fluffy Farewell"

Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 23-24; John 19-20; Acts 1

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who said goodbye to Jesus' disciples after teaching them for forty days?
2. Where did He go when He said goodbye? What was fluffy about His farewell (goodbye)?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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1 Peter 3:21-22, ESV

"Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand - with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him."

1. How did Jesus go up to heaven to rule?
2. What does He rule over from heaven? When will He come back?

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

Something to Grow Into



I. Jerusalem was buzzing with incredible news. Three days earlier, on Friday, Jesus had died on a cross and was buried in a cave-grave. But now, people were saying Jesus had risen from the dead! Could it really be true?



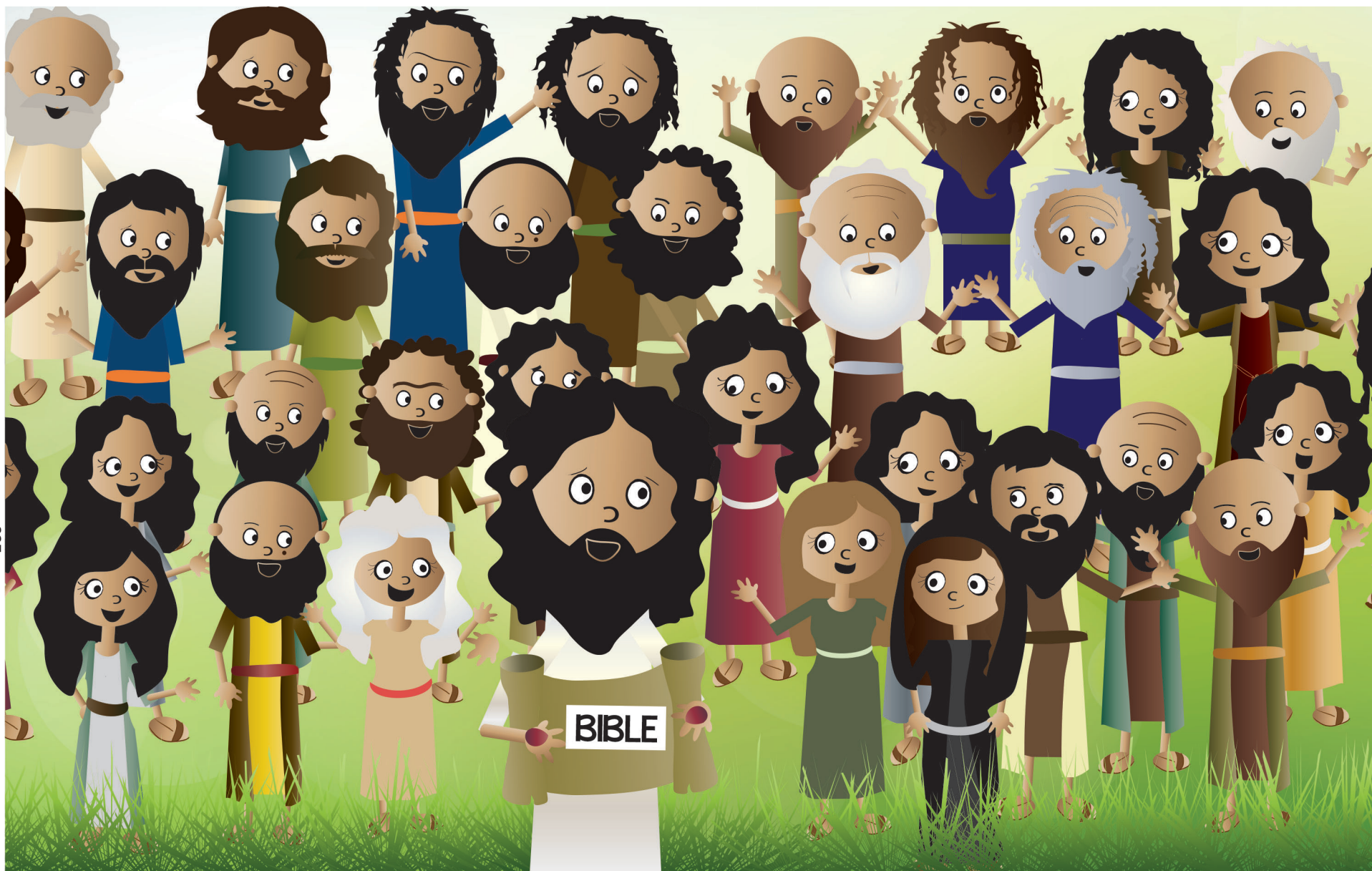
2. The soldiers guarding Jesus' tomb said it was. "There was an earthquake and an angel who rolled away the stone. He said, "Jesus isn't here! He's risen from the dead. Come see the empty tomb," they told Jesus' enemies.



3. Jesus' enemies didn't like this at all. "Shh! Don't tell anyone!" they replied. "Here's lots of money. Keep quiet! Tell everyone that Jesus' disciples stole His body," they ordered the soldiers. "No one must know the truth!"



4. But this news couldn't be kept quiet. Jesus **WAS** alive and He was appearing to His followers! He appeared to the women at the empty tomb, then to two men walking to Emmaus, and later to His disciples in Jerusalem, just on that Sunday.



5. For forty days, Jesus kept meeting with His followers --one time, to over five hundred of them at once! Jesus still had so much to show them in Bible --all that was written about Him and God's good plans still to come. But He had so little time to do it. Jesus was going home to heaven!



6. On Day Forty, Jesus led His disciples to the Mount of Olives to say goodbye. "I'm going to heaven to rule now, but I'm not leaving you alone," He told them. "I'm sending you the Holy Spirit to live in your hearts. He'll give you power to tell the world the gospel, that they might be saved."



7. Then up, up, up went Jesus into the sky and through the clouds. Jesus' friends stood there staring up, watching Him rise until they could no longer see Him.



8. "Would Jesus come back? When? How?" Jesus' friends wondered, as they kept looking up. God sent two angels to answer them. "This Jesus who was taken up from you into heaven, will come back one day, in the same way you saw him go up to heaven," they promised.



9. How sad Jesus' friends must have been when Jesus left! There's nothing so wonderful as being close to Jesus. BUT, they were very, VERY happy that the Holy Spirit would come live in their hearts soon. And that one day, they would get to live face-to-face with Jesus forever.



10. But how loudly the millions of angels must have sung, as Jesus entered heaven! Jesus had saved God's people! And how Jesus must have enjoyed once more the full, Perfect Wonderfulness of fellowship with God, His Father, and God, the Holy Spirit He had known in heaven before.



II. Where is Jesus now? He is still in heaven, ruling as the great King of Kings over everything in heaven and earth. He's praying and caring for God's people. He's working out God's great plans for this world, until the day when He'll come back through the clouds and down to earth again.



12. That will be a great day for God's people. They'll live together with Jesus in the new heaven and earth, where there will never be sin, sickness, sadness or death. And they'll see Jesus in all His glory and enjoy as much of the Perfect Wonderfulness of God as they possibly can.

"The Case of the Fluffy Farewell"

Q: "What was fluffy that hid Jesus as He went up to heaven?"

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kids



JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...

He Went Up to Rule in Heaven.

A: "A cloud."

"The Case of the Fluffy Farewell"

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who said goodbye to Jesus' disciples after teaching them for forty days?
Jesus did.

2. Where did He go when He said goodbye? What was fluffy about His farewell (goodbye)? Jesus went up to heaven to rule. He rose up through the fluffy clouds in the sky on His way to heaven.

For You and Me:

Jesus went up to heaven and is there now, ruling over all things. He is still caring for God's people and bringing about God's plans for this world. One day, God's plans will be finished, and Jesus will come back. He will bring an end to sin and death and this world forever. He will make a wonderful, new world for God's people to live in with Him forever. That will be the best of all! 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 answer this prayer!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

1 Peter 3:21-22, ESV

"Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand - with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him."

1. How did Jesus go up to heaven to rule?
He rose up through the clouds in the sky.

2. What does He rule over from heaven? When will He come back?
Jesus rules over all things. He will come back at the end of time when God's plans for this world are finished.

For You and Me:

Jesus went up to heaven and is there now, ruling over all things. He is still caring for God's people and bringing about God's plans for this world. One day, God's plans will be finished, and Jesus will come back. He will bring an end to sin and death and this world forever. He will make a wonderful, new world for God's people to live in with Him forever. That will be the best of all! 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 answer this prayer!

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Something to Grow Into

What Did Jesus Come to Do?
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God...
He Went Up to Rule in Heaven!

The Gospel



Jesus left His home in heaven to be the Savior we needed. You see, we all are sinners who have chosen to disobey God and His good ways. We deserve His punishment for our sins, a punishment too great for us to pay, ourselves.

So, Jesus came and lived a perfect life. He offered it up to God as full payment for the sins of God's people when He died on the cross. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead. He had beaten sin and death for them. Then, He went back home to heaven, and there, He rules over all things. One day, He will come back.

Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior can be forgiven and become God's people. They know God in their hearts now, and will go to live with Him forever. Ask Him to help you become one of His people. He loves to help us.

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Gospel Songs

Something to Grow Into



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

A Prayer

We praise You, Jesus. You rule over everything from heaven.

Thank You for caring and praying for God's people, even now.

Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in You as our Savior, that we might become God's people.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



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Something to Grow Into A Prayer

- A** Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God. You died and rose again. You went up to heaven. We praise You for being our great King of Kings who rules over everything.
- C** Jesus, we are all sinners who have chosen to disobey God and His good laws. We deserve His punishment. We need to turn to You for forgiveness. We need You to be our Savior!
- T** Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross and for rising from the dead in victory! Thank You for ruling over all things from heaven. Thank You for the promise that You will come back one day and bring an end to sin and death forever. You will be the great King over God's new heaven and earth He will create for His people to live in with Him.
- S** Jesus, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins. Help us to trust in You as our Savior. We want to become God's people. Jesus, come back soon! We long for the day when You will bring sin and death to an end forever. Help us to be ready for that day!

In Jesus' name we
pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



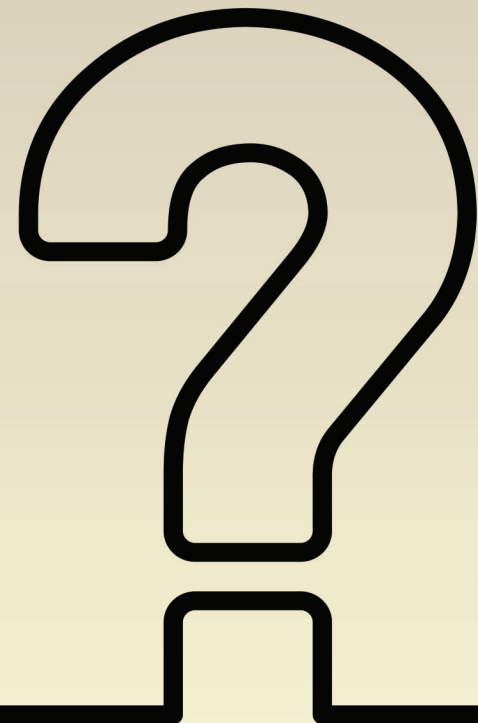


"Deep Down Detectives, it's almost time for me to go. But first, let's celebrate what we've learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let's get bouncy!"

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 1

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

Refrain

Verse 2

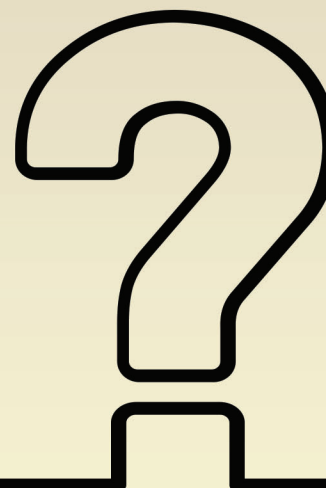
At just the right time, God sent His Son
 to pay for His people's sins,
 He offered His life, the perfect sacrifice,
 Gave them fellowship with God again.

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

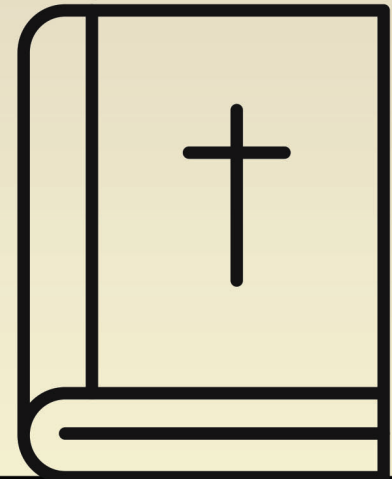


Here is a song that helps us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

Big Question #9, Bible Truth 6 Bible Verse Song:
Gone into Heaven: 1 Peter 3:21-22



Jesus Christ has gone into heaven,
He's at the right hand, the right hand of God.
Jesus Christ has gone into heaven,
He's at the right hand, the right hand of God.
With angels, authorities, and powers subjected to him, (that's everything!)
With angels, authorities, and powers subjected to him. (that's everything!)
First Peter Three, twenty-one and two.



"Let's hide God's Word in our hearts! Let's sing our Bible verse!"

Big Question #9 Hymn

To God Be the Glory

Verse 1

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.

Refrain

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!

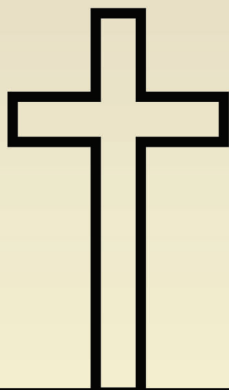
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord;
Blessed be the name,
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Blessed be the name of the Lord.

“Let’s praise the Lord sending Jesus to bring people like us to God!”

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.

