



Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #8, Bible Truth 2:
The Case of the Woman Who Didn't See**



"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 Is God's Love for His People Like?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what's inside."



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



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Q: WHAT IS GOD'S LOVE FOR HIS PEOPLE LIKE?
A: IT'S MORE THAN THEY COULD EVER DESERVE...
GOD ???? TAKES CARE OF THEM.

PSALM
23:1

Hint: Something that never stops.
It starts with the letter "A"
and it rhymes with "hallways."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue and read: "What Is God's Love for His People Like? It's More Than They Could Ever Deserve... God ???? Takes Care of Them. Psalm 23:1." Hint: Something that never stops. It starts with the letter "A" and it rhymes with "hallways."

Psalms 23:1
"The LORD
is my
shepherd;

I shall not
want.



The LORD Is
My Shepherd
Psalm 23

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Psalm 23:1, and read: "The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want."



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this second truth about God's love?" he asked. "We think so! A good shepherd always makes sure his sheep have everything they need. God cares for His people and makes sure they have everything they need."



Q: WHAT IS GOD'S LOVE FOR HIS PEOPLE LIKE?
A: IT'S MORE THAN THEY COULD EVER DESERVE...
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"Our Big Question is: What Is God's Love for His People Like? And the answer is: It's More Than They Could Ever Deserve... God ALWAYS Takes Care of Them!" "Great job, kids! You did it!"



God cares for all His creation, but He has a special love for His people --those who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. God calls His people His adopted children, and He is their Father in heaven. God is a perfect Father to His adopted children. He is all-wise and all-powerful: He always knows what's best and does what's best for them. He always takes care of them. Ask God to help you become one of His people. He loves to answer this prayer.



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Woman Who Didn't See"

Ruth



"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 Woman Who Didn't See.' Listen for who didn't see all the ways God was taking care of her."

"The Case of the Woman Who Didn't See" The Book of Ruth

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Why was Naomi so sad?
2. What about God did she not see?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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Psalms 23:1,6, ESV

"The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want... Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever."

1. Who did the LORD take care of and make sure she was not in want?
2. How did the LORD show His goodness and love to her?

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

Something to Grow Into



I. Naomi was sad and scared. Her husband and sons had died. Only Orpah and Ruth, her sons' wives, were left. Soon, they would leave, too. They would go live with their parents. Then, Naomi would be all alone, far away from her home in Bethlehem. Who would take care of her?

THE LORD my

Your

God

People

Covenant
Big Promise



2. Naomi was right to be sad, but she did NOT have to be scared. Naomi was one of God's people. She knew God's promises to always take care of His people. She could trust Him to take care of her. But Naomi chose to forget all of that. She decided God didn't care for her anymore.



**THE
LORD**

3. Naomi was wrong to stop trusting God, but God is so kind to His people. He treats them better than they deserve. He would treat Naomi better than she deserved, too. He would most certainly keep taking care of her. Let's find out how.



4. It came time for Naomi, Orpah, and Ruth to say goodbye. They kissed each other and cried. Orpah and Ruth would go home to live with their parents. Naomi would make the long walk back home to Bethlehem by herself.



5. "Wait," said Orpah and Ruth. "We'll go to Bethlehem and take care of you." But Naomi said no. "There will be no one to take care of me or you in Bethlehem. Not even God," she said. Oh, Naomi! God promises to always take care of His people. Keep trusting in Him! He will take care of you.



6. And so, God did. He would love Naomi better than she deserved. For when Orpah left for home, Ruth said to Naomi, "Let me go with you. I want to take care of you. I want to worship the LORD, your God." Naomi agreed, but sadly she still couldn't see this was God taking care of her.



7. When Naomi and Ruth walked into Bethlehem, many were surprised with what they saw. "Is this really Naomi?" people asked. "She seems so different! Where is her husband? Where are her sons? Where is her smile?" they wondered.

Naomi = Happy Things



Marah = Bitter Things



8. "My husband and sons have died. I am all alone," said Naomi. "Stop calling me 'Naomi'. That name means 'happy things.' Call me 'Marah'. It means 'bitter (sad) things.' God has filled my life with so many sad things. I don't even think He cares about me anymore," she told them.



THE LORD

9. Oh, Naomi! Don't say that! God always take care of His people. Keep trusting in Him! He gave you Ruth to help you get home and take care of you. Naomi still wouldn't see, but God kept loving her better than she deserved, and in bigger ways than she could have ever dreamed!



10. God provided Naomi and Ruth with food from the fields of a rich man named Boaz. Boaz loved God; and before long, he loved Ruth, too. He married Ruth and brought her and Naomi home to live with him. How richly the LORD took care of Ruth and Naomi through Boaz!



II. Before long, Ruth gave birth to a son --Baby Obed. Now, God had given Naomi a grandchild to love. And one day, through Obed would come the great King David, and much later, even Jesus, the Savior, Himself!



12. The women gathered around Naomi, and said, "Praise the LORD, He's given you Ruth and Boaz, and a little grandson, too. Surely, He'll go on taking care of you!" Naomi agreed. The LORD had taken care of her, even when she stopped trusting Him. His love was better than she deserved!

"The Case of the Woman Who Didn't See"

Q: "Who didn't see all the ways God was taking care of her?"

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**GOD'S LOVE FOR HIS PEOPLE IS MORE
THAN THEY COULD EVER DESERVE...**

God Always Takes Care of His People.

A: "Naomi didn't see all the ways God was taking care of her."

"The Case of the Woman Who Didn't See" The Book of Ruth

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Why was Naomi so sad?
Her husband and sons had died.

2. What about God did she not see?
She could not see how God was taking care of her.

For You and Me:
God's people can know that God will always take care of them, even if they can't see how. He is always at work. If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, we can be God's people, too. We can know that God will always take care of us, too.

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalm 23:1,6 ESV

"The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want... Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever."

1. Who did the LORD take care of and make sure she was not in want? Naomi.

2. How did the LORD show His goodness and love to her?
He gave her Ruth to help her. He gave Ruth a husband and even a baby. He took care of Naomi through them all the days of her life.

For You and Me:

How good God is to always take care of His people! How wonderful it is to know that He makes sure that goodness and love will follow them all the days of their life and that they will go to live with Him forever one day! God offers us this kind of care, 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.

Something to Grow Into

What Is God's Love for His People Like?
It's More than They Could Ever Deserve...
God always takes care of them!

The Gospel



How kind God is to care for His people's needs, even when, like Naomi, they think He won't.

But the greatest way that God has cared for His people is by saving them. You see, we all disobey God and deserve His punishment. But God is so rich in mercy that He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross and take the punishment for His people's sins. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for them. Now all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus can be God's people. Their sins are forgiven, and they will enjoy special closeness with God in their hearts, now. Then one day, they will go live with Him forever. How amazing is God's love for His people! We can be His people, too, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Ask Him to help you!

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Gospel Songs

Something to Grow Into



"God's love is more than we could ever deserve. Let's pray to Him now."

A Prayer

We praise You, LORD. You are so loving! You take care all of Your people's needs.

Thank You for sending Jesus to be the Savior we need. Through Him, we can become Your people.

Work in our hearts. Help us to love and obey 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

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Something to Grow Into

A Prayer

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- A** We praise you, God, for being so full of love for Your people. You are their heavenly Father. You care for all of their needs in the way that You know is best.
- C** God, You promise to take care of those who put their trust in Jesus, but many times we doubt Your promises. Please forgive us! We need a Savior!
- T** Thank You, God, for loving the world so much that You sent Jesus to be our Savior. Thank You for being so faithful and good to those who trust in You. Thank You for taking care of all their needs in the way You know is best for them. What a wonderful thing it is to get to be Your adopted child!
- S** God, work deep inside our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Fill our hearts with love for You. Take care of us and help us to trust in You. Be our heavenly Father. Make us Your adopted children.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!)



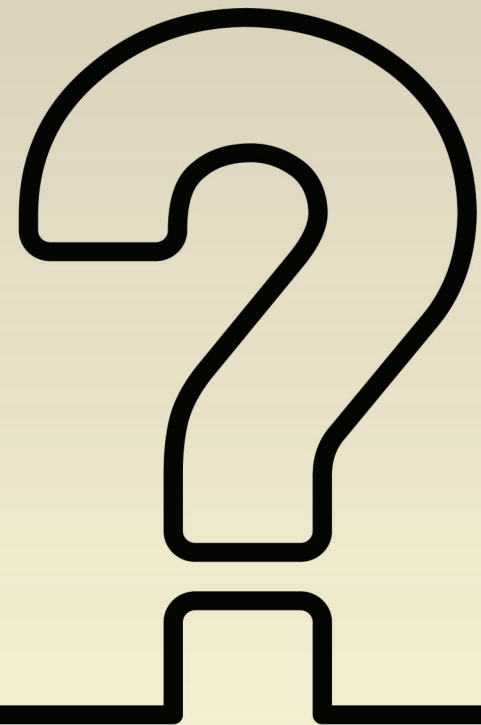
“Deep Down Detectives, it’s almost time for me to go. But first, let’s celebrate what we’ve learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let’s get bouncy!”

Big Q & A #8

Simple Song



What is God's love for His people like?
More than they could ever deserve!
What is God's love for His people like?
What is God's love for His people like?
What is God's love for His people like?
More than they could ever deserve!



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

Big Question #8 Tell Me More Song What Is God's Love for His People Like?

What is God's love for His people like?
What is God's love for His people like?
What is God's love for His people like?
It's more than they could ever deserve.

Verse 1

God loves His people from all places,
from all times, with ev'ry kind of faces.
God loves His people from ev'ry nation,
And He loves them all through Jesus Christ.

Refrain

God's love for His people
Is more than they could ever deserve.
God's love for His people
Is more than they could ever deserve.

Verse 2

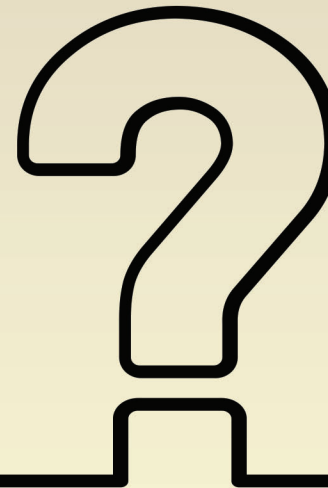
God loved His people before the beginning,
Even before they were repenting and believing,
God loved His people from ev'ry nation,
And He loved them all through Jesus Christ.

Refrain

Verse 3

God loved His people, He sent Jesus,
To save them, so forever they would be His,
God loves His people from ev'ry nation,
And He always will through Jesus Christ.

Refrain



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

Big Question #8, Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse Song:

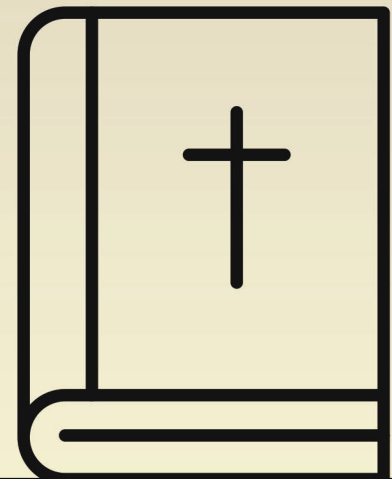
The LORD Is My Shepherd: Psalm 23



The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures,
He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul,
He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
Even though I walk through the valley of death,
I will fear no evil,

Why? For You are with me.
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me,
in the presence of my enemies,
You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy will follow me,
All of the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the LORD,
forever and ever and ever.
Psalm Twenty-three.



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

Big Question #8 Hymn And Can It Be, 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 8 Praise Song God Is So Good

God is so good (powerful, holy),
God is so good (powerful, holy),
God is so good (powerful, holy),
He's so good (powerful, holy)
to me.

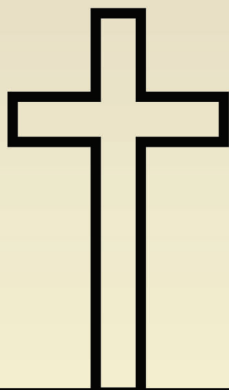


"Let's praise the Lord for loving people like us more than we could ever deserve!"

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.

