

Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #5, Bible Truth 1:
The Case of the Big Nothing**



"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, 'Can You Tell Me What God Made?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what's inside."



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

Big Q & A 5
Simple
Song



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Q: CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT GOD MADE?
A: GOD MADE ALL THINGS GOOD...
HE MADE EVERYTHING GOOD IN HEAVEN AND ????.

ISAIAH
44:24

Hint: "What's the name of the world we live in? It starts with an 'E' and it rhymes with 'birth.'"

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue and read: "Can You Tell Me What God Made? God Made All Things Good... He Made Everything Good in Heaven and ????. Isaiah 44:24." Hint: "What's the name of the world we live in? It starts with an 'E' and it rhymes with 'birth.'"

Isaiah 44:24
"I am the
LORD, who
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I Am the LORD
Isaiah 44:24

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Isaiah 44:24, and read: "I am the LORD, who made all things ...who spread out the earth by myself."



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out the first way God made all things good?" he asked. "We think so! 'God made all things by Himself, and He only does things perfectly. That means everything God made in heaven and earth was good, perfect for His good plans.'"

Big Q & A 5
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"Our Big Question is: Can You Tell Me What God Made? And the answer is: God Made All Things Good... He Made Everything Good in Heaven and EARTH!" "Great job, kids! You did it!"



God made everything in the beginning, from the angels in heaven to everything in the world around us. Most special of all, He made us: people! And H0W did God make it all? With just His powerful word. He spoke, and it came to be. God called everything He made good --very good. There was no sin in any of it. It was made exactly right for all His good plans.



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Big Nothing"

Genesis 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 Big Nothing.' Listen for what God made out of the Big Nothing."

"The Case of the Big Nothing" Genesis I

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. What started out as a big nothing?
2. Who changed the big nothing into something? What did He change it into?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Isaiah 44:24, ESV

"I am the LORD, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself."

1. What did the LORD start with when He made the heavens and the earth?
2. What did the LORD use to stretch out the heavens and spread out the earth?

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

Something to Grow Into



Perfect Wonderfulness

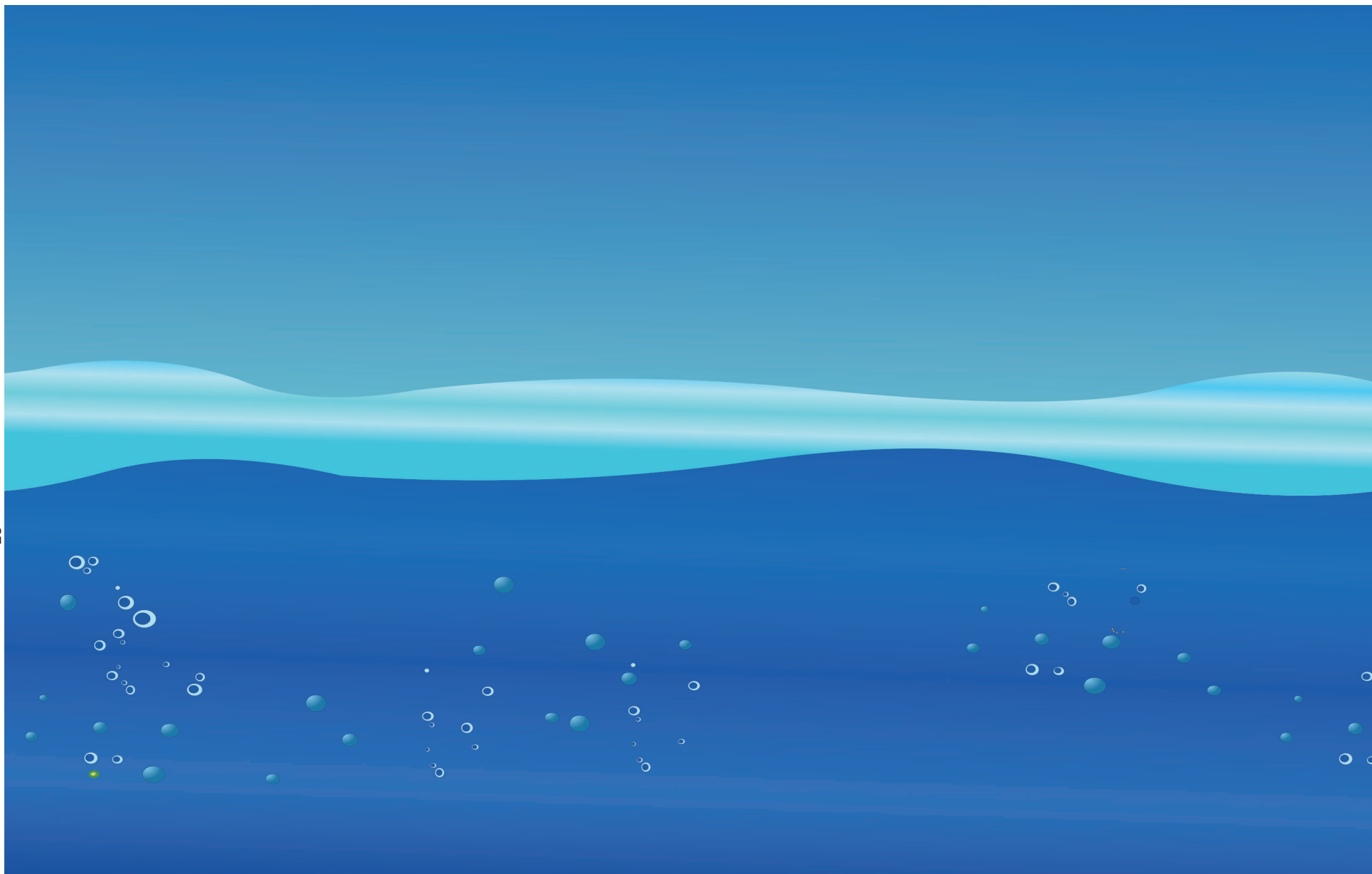
I. Long ago, before the beginning, everything was a BIG NOTHING! Nothing, that is, except the LORD. He's always lived, and always been perfectly happy in Himself, as God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Always, Perfect Wonderfulness!



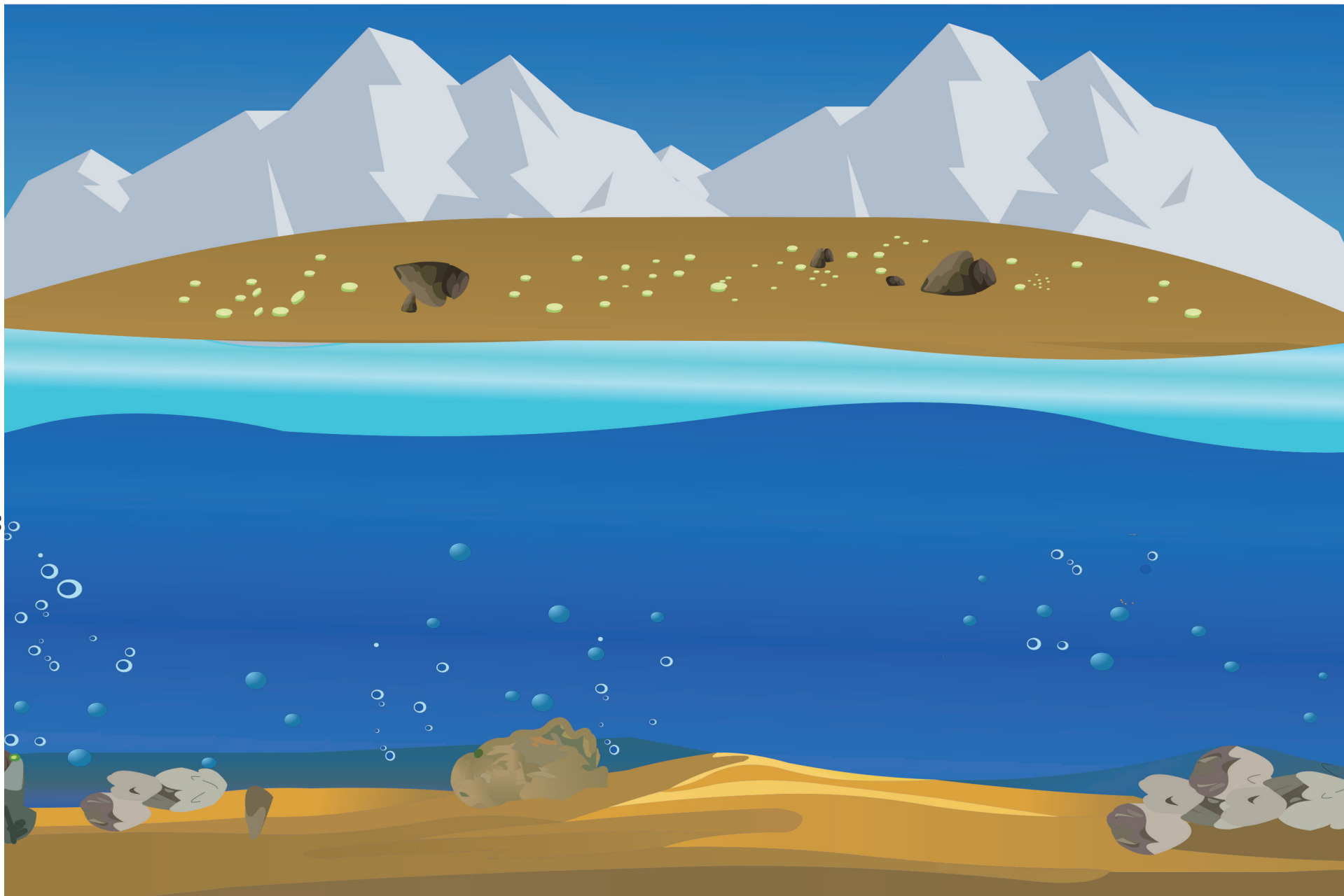
2. The LORD didn't NEED anything else, but He CHOSE to make this world as an amazing display of Himself. Would He make it using paint or scissors like we do when we're making something? No! He would use NOTHING but His powerful words. Here's what He did...



3. On Day One, God's Spirit hovered over the waters of the shapeless, empty, dark world. "Come, light!" God said, and a beautiful light began to shine. The light, He called "Day." The darkness, He called "Night." And it was good.



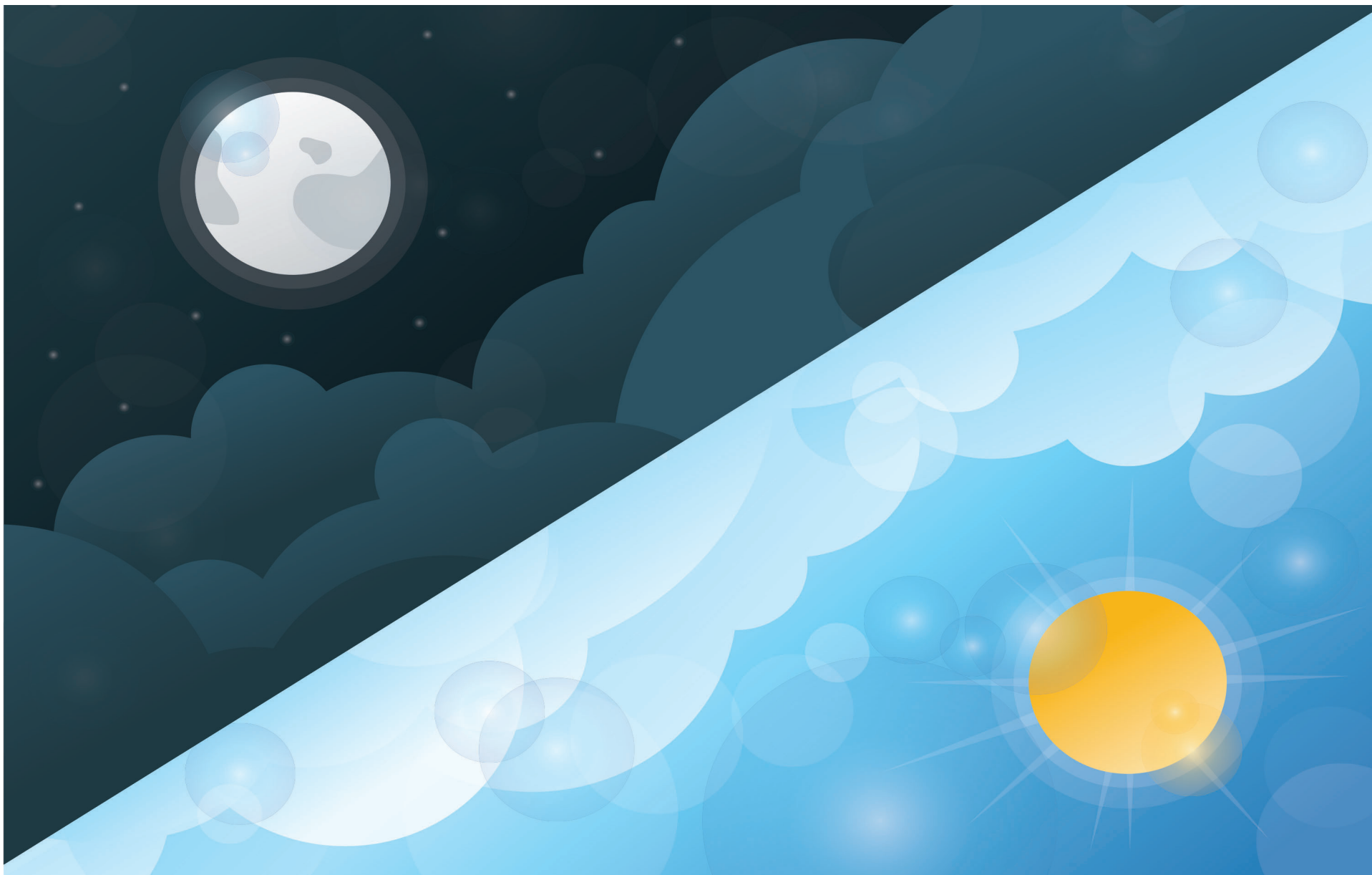
4. On Day Two, the LORD separated the earth's watery emptiness into two parts –Sky and Seas. The sky would be where rain and clouds would come from. The seas covered the earth. And it was good.



5. On Day Three, the LORD said, "Waters on the earth, gather together! Dry land, appear!" God looked at the wild, splashing waves, and the rich, dark ground, and it was good.



6. Now the LORD began to fill the spaces He made. "Trees and plants, sprout up on the earth!" Up popped leafy plants and trees. God looked at the beautiful, green world, and it was good.



7. On Day Four, the LORD said, "Lights, fill the sky! Give light to the earth, day and night. Bring spring, summer, fall, and winter each year," the LORD told them. And so, they did. There was soft starlight and moonlight for the night, and bright, blazing sunlight for the day.



8. On Day Five, the LORD filled the sky and seas with creatures. "Come, fish and sea creatures!" He said, and the waters splashed with life. "Come, birds and flying things!" He said, and the air was alive with birdsong and swoopings.



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9. On Day Six, the LORD filled the land with creatures. "Come, farm animals! Come, wild animals! Come, creepy bugs and reptiles!" the LORD said. From the mountains to the valleys, the earth awoke with life. What a lot the LORD did in just six days!



10. But God's Day Six work wasn't done yet. "Let's make people in our own image," said God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. So, He made Adam and Eve, with a spirit inside their hearts, so they could know Him and enjoy His world in a way no other creature could.



II. "Fill the whole earth. Make it your home," the LORD told Adam and Eve. They were happy to obey. What a beautiful world the LORD had given them! And what happiness it was to know and love God with the spirit He gave them! It was all Perfect Wonderfulness.



12. At the end of Day Six, the LORD looked at all He made, and He was very pleased. It was all good ...VERY GOOD! There was no sin in it. It was just right. It was perfect for His good plans. And then, God rested from His work.

"The Case of the Big Nothing"

Q: "What did God make out of the Big Nothing?"

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kids



GOD MADE ALL THINGS GOOD...

He Made Everything Good in Heaven and Earth!

A: "God made everything in heaven and earth out of nothing. He just spoke, and it came to be."

"The Case of the Big Nothing" Genesis I

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. What started out as a big nothing?
The world we live in.

2. Who changed the big nothing into something? What did
He change it into?
God did. He created it with His powerful word.

For You and Me:

Isn't it amazing to think that God created the whole world
with just His word! How very powerful He must be! But
God didn't just use His great power to create the world.
He also can use His great power to do great things inside
of us. When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as
our Savior, God not only forgives us our sins, but He
makes us His people. He changes our hearts, so that we
can know and love Him. He helps us to live His good ways.
Ask Him to help you. He delights to do this.

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Isaiah 44:24, ESV

"I am the LORD, who made all things, who alone stretched out
the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself."

1. What did the LORD start with when He made the heavens
and the earth? Nothing.

2. What did the LORD use to stretch out the heavens and
spread out the earth? His powerful word. He spoke and it
came to be!

For You and Me:

God created the heavens and the earth to be a wonderful
display of His goodness. He created people with a special
heart to know and love Him, and to see and enjoy His
goodness, as they lived in His creation. Sadly, we have all
chosen to disobey God, since those perfect, first days when
God created the world. We have broken what God made so
perfectly. But God has made a way for us to come back to
Him. How? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus
as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people.
He will restore the friendship He made us to have with Him. Ask
God to help you! He loves to do this!

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Something to Grow Into

Can You Tell Me What God Made? God Made All Things Good...
God made everything good in heaven and earth!

The Gospel

How wonderful life would have been, if people had kept on loving God as He created them to! How wonderful life would have been, if nothing bad had ever come into God's good world!

But bad things DID come into God's good world. People have not kept on loving or obeying God, have they? Why, even you and me, we disobey God. We do bad things. And now, we all deserve God's punishment. This is such sad news.

But there's good news, too. God loved us so much that He sent His Son, Jesus, to suffer and die on the cross, taking all the punishment for the sins of God's people. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for them. Now, God will forgive all who turn away from their sins, and trust in Jesus as their Savior. That's how we can become God's people.

If we do, what a wonderful beginning that will be! We will get to know God in our hearts, now. And one day, we will get to live with Him in heaven forever.

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Gospel Songs



Something to Grow Into

“The LORD is the Maker of us and everything in our world. Let’s pray to Him now.”

A Prayer

LORD, we praise You for being our Maker. How wonderfully You made everything!

Thank You for making people with a heart to know and love You. Thank You that we can learn about You in all You’ve made.

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



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A Prayer

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A We praise You, God, for being the Good Maker of all things in the beginning.

C God, You made people good in the beginning, but we have all chosen to disobey You. We do not take care of the good things You made for us to enjoy. We do not love others as You want us to. We do not love You as we should. We need a Savior!

T Thank You, God, for all the wonderful things You made for us to enjoy, like the sun and stars, animals, flowers, snow, oceans, and people. Thank You most of all, for making us in Your image, so we can know You and see how wonderful You are in everything we see around us.

S God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to see how wonderful You are when we look at all that You have made. Help us to take good care of the world You've given us. Most of all, help us to know You and live for You, as You created us to.

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!)



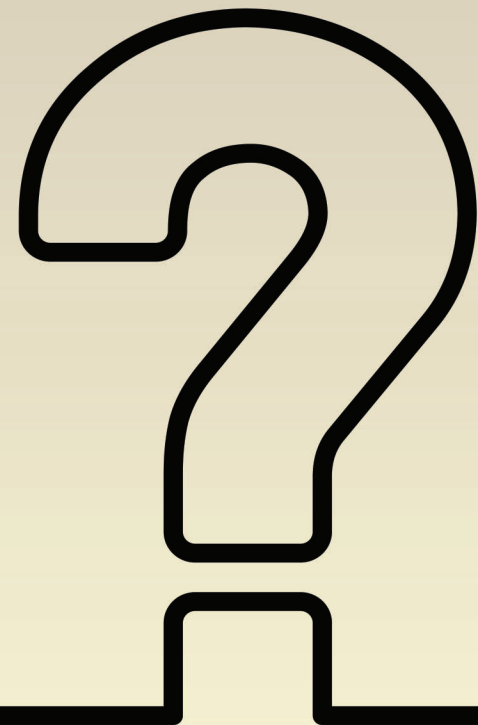
"Deep Down Detectives, it's almost time for me to go. But first, let's celebrate what we've learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let's get bouncy!"

Big Q & A #5

Simple Song



Can you tell me what God made?
What God made?
What God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
God made all things good!



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

Big Question #5 Tell Me More Song

Refrain:

Can you tell me what God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
God made all things good,
God made all things good
(through Jesus/for His glory)!
God made all things good,
God made all things good!

Verse 2:

Frogs that leap, woolly sheep, the shark's big teeth,
Tiny gnats, rivers fast, and chloroplasts,
Mountains high, octopi, the stars up in the sky,
God made all things good!
Sandy dunes, sun and moon, doves that coo,
Flying fish, rhinocerish, the bugs we squish!
Apple trees, the wavy seas, yes, even you and me.
God made all things good! Refrain

Verse 1:

Manatees, bumblebees, the air we breathe,
Orca whales, bunny tails and slimy snails,
Furry yaks, yummy snacks, bumpy camel backs,
God made all things good!
Cookatoos, kangaroos, the sky so blue,
Sparkly gems, cherubim and monkey limbs,
Thunder clouds, peacocks proud, the lion, big and loud!
God made all things good! Refrain

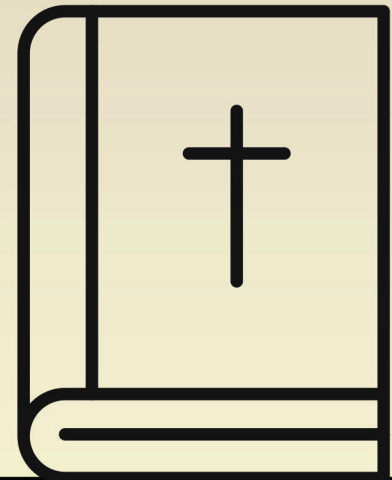


Here's a song that let's us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

Big Question #5, Bible Truth I Bible Verse Song:

I Am the LORD: Isaiah 44:24

I am the LORD,
Who has made all things,
Who alone stretched out the heavens.
I am the LORD,
Who has made all things,
Who spread out the earth by myself.
I am the LORD, (I am the LORD!)
I am the LORD, (I am the LORD!)
Isaiah Forty-four, twenty-four.



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

Big Question #5 Hymn

All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures, great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.



Verse 1

Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colors,
He made their tiny wings. Refrain

Verse 2

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell,
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well. Refrain



"Let's praise the Lord for making everything good, long ago in the beginning."

Big Question #5 Praise Song

The Days of Creation

On Day One, God made light,
Made the difference in day and night.
God just spoke the words and it came true.
Wonder what else God will do?

Two.... On Day Two, God split in two,
Skies above, the water blue,
God just spoke the word and it came to be.
What will happen on Day Three?

Three.... On Day Three, God made land,
Then He put plants in the sand.
God made herbs and grass and
fruit on the trees,
This was all done on Day Three



Four.... On Day Four, God made lights,
Some for day and some for night.
Stars are dim, but the sun and moon are bright.
Aren't you glad that God made light?

Five.... On Day Five, God made alive,
All the things that swim and the birds to fly,
These were made on Day Five.

Six.... On Day Six, God did fix,
Animals, people and even ticks,
God made lizards, cats and other things
that lick.
Critters and people were made on Day Six.

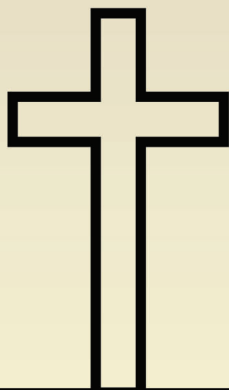
Seven.... On Day Seven, God in heaven,
Rested from all the work He'd He done.
He'd made in perfect wisdom.
It was good what God had done.

"Let's praise the Lord for making everything good, long ago in the beginning."

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.

