



Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #1, Bible Truth 3:
The Case of the Word on Wheels**



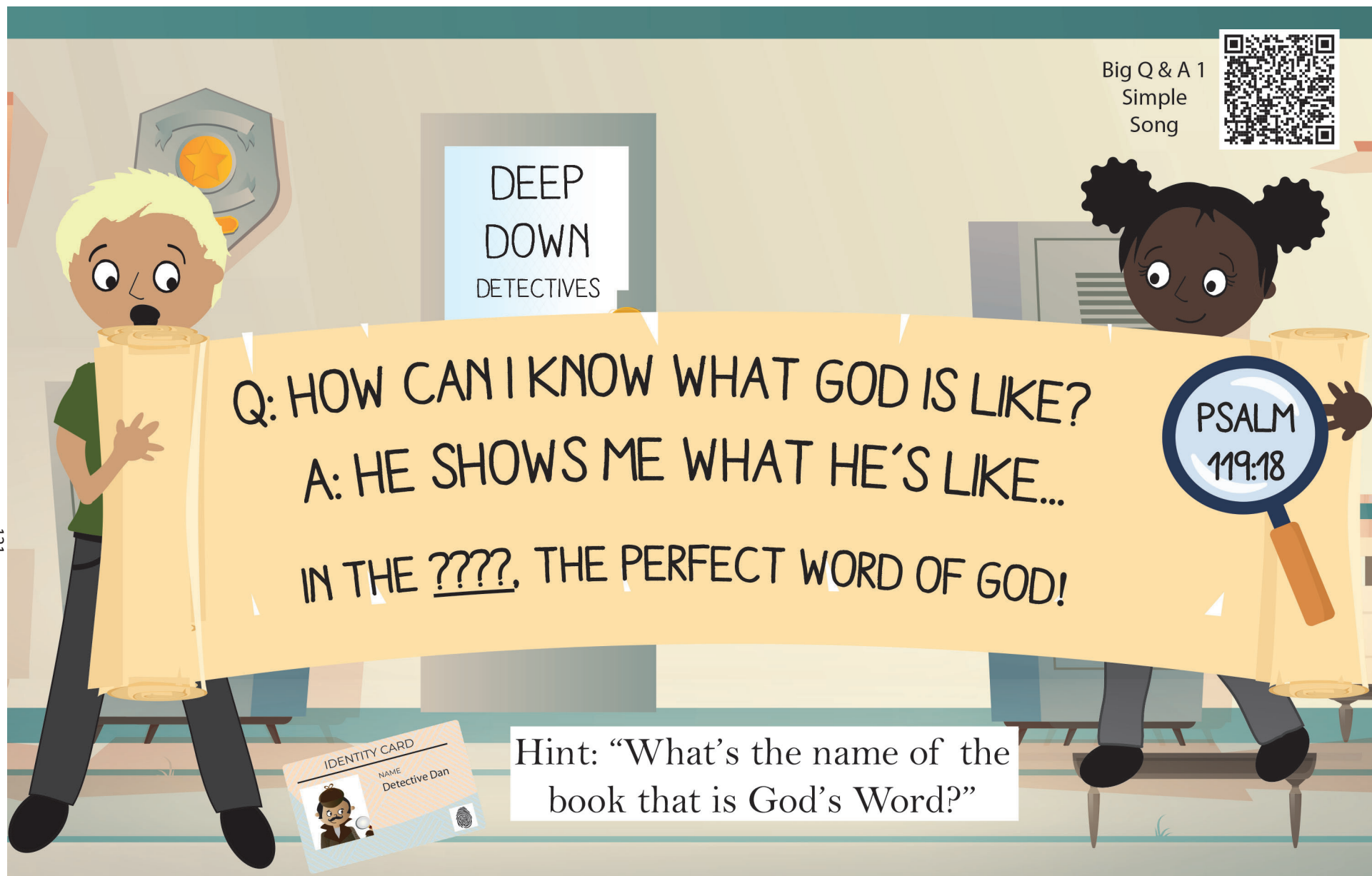
Hi! Welcome to Deep Down Detectives! We're so glad you've joined us. Detective Dan is going to help us dig deep down into God's Word, the Bible. Come on. Let's go!



"Wow, look at this! It's Detective Dan's briefcase with a new case for us. His Big Question is 'How Can I Know What God Is Like?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what clue he gives us."



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



The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "How Can I Know What God Is Like? He Shows Me What He's Like... In the ????, the Perfect Word of God! Psalm 119:18." Hint: "What's the name of the book that is God's Word?"

Psalms 119:18

“Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.”



Open My Eyes
Psalm 119:18

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Psalm 119:18, and read: “Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this way God shows us what He's like?" he asked. "We think so. Only the Bible is God's Word. We can ask God to show us what He's like as we read about Him and His good rules (laws.)"



Q: HOW CAN I KNOW WHAT GOD IS LIKE?
A: HE SHOWS ME WHAT HE'S LIKE...

PSALM
119:18

IN THE BIBLE, THE PERFECT WORD OF GOD!

"Our Big Question is: How Can I Know What God Is Like? And the answer is: He Shows Me What He's Like... in the BIBLE, the Perfect Word of God!" "Great job, kids! You did it!"



"The Bible is God's Word. God used many people to write down His Word just right. The Bible is filled with stories about God, His plans, and the wonderful things He has done for us. When we read the Bible, God shows us what He is like and fills our hearts with truth about Him. We see how great God is, how good God is, and how wonderful is His love for people like you and me!"



Bible Chant
Song

“The Case of the Word on Wheels”

Acts 8



“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 Word on Wheels.’ Listen for who the man on wheels was, and what God used the Bible to show the man.”

The Case of the Word on Wheels Acts 8

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was on wheels?
2. Whose word was he reading? What happened when he read it?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalms 119:18,72-73, ESV

"Open my eyes, that I may behold
wondrous things out of your law."

1. This Bible verse is a prayer for God to help us understand His Word. Who wanted to understand God's Word in our story?
2. Who helped him understand God's Word? What happened?

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

Something to Grow Into



I. God's Holy Spirit helped people write down His promises and laws and good works in the Bible. This is where we read the good news that Jesus came to pay for God's people's sins, so they could know God, and one day, live with Him in heaven forever.



2. Philip heard Jesus teach from the Bible, and saw the amazing things He did. When Jesus died on the cross, and rose from the dead, Philip believed Jesus was God's Son, the Savior God promised in the Bible to send.



3. Now, it was time to share the gospel of Jesus with everyone. Philip and Jesus' other followers started telling the good news to the people in Jerusalem; but, they didn't stop there.



4. Many went to faraway places to share the gospel. Philip went to a land called Samaria.



5. God sent an angel to give Philip a special job: "Go down the old road to Gaza." Philip obeyed. Soon, he saw a chariot with an important, African man in it. He was reading the Bible!



6. "Go talk to that man," the Holy Spirit told Philip. The man was reading one of God's promises about Jesus, but he didn't understand it. So, Philip got in the chariot and told him about Jesus. The Holy Spirit worked in the man's heart as he listened, and he believed.



7. "Here's water," the man said as they passed a stream. "Please baptize me! I choose to live a new life for God," the man said. Philip and the man waded into the water and Philip baptized him.



8. The African man was so happy! He understood the promises of God's Word. He believed in Jesus and had become one of God's people. He would go home and tell others about Jesus, too.

“The Case of the Word on Wheels”

Q: “Who was the man on wheels? What God used the Bible to show him?”

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THE LORD SHOWS US WHAT HE'S LIKE...

In the Bible, the Perfect Word of God!

A: “God used the Bible to tell the African man the good news of Jesus. He heard and believed!”

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was on wheels?
The African man.

2. Whose word was he reading? What happened when he read it?
He was reading God's Word, the Bible. He didn't understand who the promises were about until God sent Philip to help him understand. The Holy Spirit worked in his heart and he was saved.

For You and Me:
Like the African man, God has given us His Word, the Bible. We can read it and learn about God's promises about Jesus in it. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to send His Holy Spirit to work in our hearts and help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalms 119:18, ESV

"Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law."

1. This Bible verse is a prayer for God to help us understand His Word. Who wanted to understand God's Word in our story?
The African man.

2. Who helped him understand God's Word? What happened?

Philip and God's Holy Spirit. Philip helped the man understand that these promises were about Jesus. The Holy Spirit worked in his heart and helped him trust in Jesus as his Savior.

For You and Me:

God wants us to understand His Word, too. He wants us to see how Jesus came and made all these promises come true. We can ask God to help us to understand His Word; and, help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior, too.

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How Can I Know What God Is Like?
He Shows Me What He's Like...
in the Bible, the perfect Word of God!

The Gospel

The man from Africa was so excited to hear about Jesus from God's Word, the Bible! He rejoiced to hear that God sent His Son, Jesus, to live a perfect life, and offer it as the full payment for the sins of God's people. Jesus did this as He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for God's people.

The African man turned away from his sins and trusted in Jesus as his Savior that day. He became one of God's people. This is how we can become one of God's people, too. And if we do, God will forgive our sins and we can know God in our hearts now. And one day, we will go to live with Him in heaven forever.

That will be best of all! Ask God to help you trust in Jesus. He loves to do this.

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Gospel Songs

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"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 giving us Your Word, the Bible, so we can know You and how to obey You.

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

A We praise You, God, that You show us what You are like! We praise you for being the Giver of Your Word, the Bible.

C God, You show us in the Bible who You are and how You want us to live, but many times we don't act like we want to know You. Many times we don't obey Your good ways. We need a Savior!

T Thank You for wanting us to know You. Thank You for giving us the Bible to know You and Your good ways better.

S Work deep inside our hearts, so we can know more and more of You! Help us to know what You are like when we hear Your Word, the Bible. Help us to turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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!)

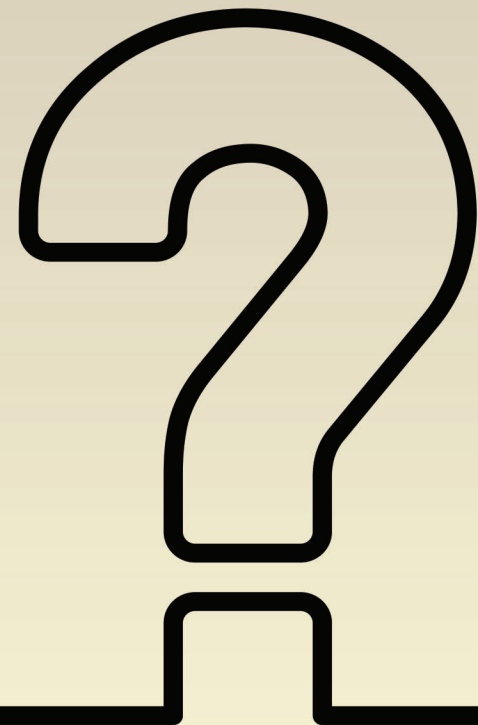


"Deep Down Detectives, it's almost time for me to go. But first, let's celebrate what we've learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let's get bouncy!"

Big Q & A #1

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 might 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 Truth 3 Bible Verse Song:
Open My Eyes: Psalm 119:18,72-73

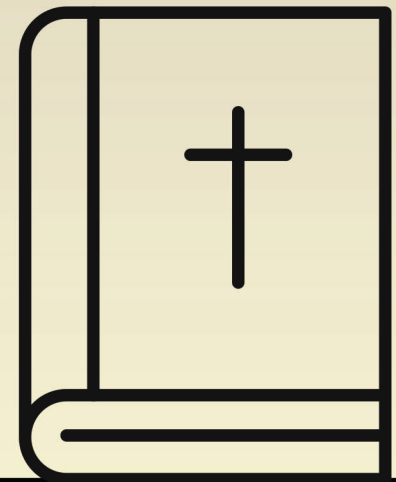


Open my eyes that I may behold,
Wondrous things out of your law.
Open my eyes that I may behold,
Wondrous things out of your law.

The law of your mouth is better to me,
Than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.
Your hands they made me and fashioned me.
Give me understanding,
That I may learn your commandments.

Open my eyes that I may behold,
Wondrous things out of your law.
Open my eyes that I may behold,
Wondrous things out of your law.

Psalm One-nineteen, eighteen, seventy-two and three.



"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

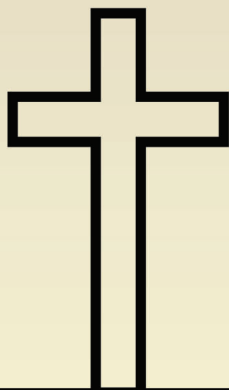
He shows Himself to me, How good is the Lord,
He shows Himself to me, How good is the Lord,
He shows Himself to me, How good is the Lord,
I never will forget what He has done for me

"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."

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.

