



# Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #9, Bible Truth 5:  
The Case of the Unexpected Ending**



"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."



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Q: WHAT DID JESUS COME TO DO?  
A: JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...  
HE ROSE FROM THE ????.

LUKE  
24:5-6

Hint: The opposite of being alive.  
It starts with a "D" and  
rhymes with "red."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Rose from the ????. Luke 24:5-6." Hint: The opposite of being alive. It starts with a "D" and rhymes with "red."



**Luke 24:5-6**

**“Why do  
you seek  
the living  
among**

**the dead?  
He is not  
here;  
He has  
risen!”**



Why Do You Seek?  
Luke 24:5,6

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Luke 24:5-6, and read: “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen!”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this fifth truth about what Jesus came to do?" he asked. "We think so! Jesus died on the cross and was buried in a grave. But on the third day, the grave was empty. Jesus wasn't there. He had risen from the dead."



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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 Rose from the DEAD. "Great job, kids! You did it!"





Big Question 9  
Tell Me More  
Song



"Jesus died on the cross for the sins of God's people. He took their punishment so they might become God's people forever. Jesus died that day, but death couldn't keep Him that way! On Day Three, God raised Jesus from the dead to live forevermore. He had beaten sin and death for God's people. Now, all who turn from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior can know God in their hearts by God's Holy Spirit. And when they die, they will go to live with God forever."





Bible Chant  
Song

# ***“The Case of the Unexpected Ending”***

Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 24; John 20-21



“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 Unexpected Ending.’ Listen for what Jesus did do after He died and was buried, and who didn’t expect Him to do it.”

# "The Case of the Unexpected Ending" Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 24; John 20-21

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## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. How did Jesus die?
2. What was unexpected about His death?

## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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### Luke 24:5-6, ESV

"Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen."

1. Who was looking for a dead man? What did they find instead?
2. What had happened to the dead man? Why?

(more listening and discussion  
questions are included in the  
curriculum at [praisefactory.org](http://praisefactory.org))

Something to Grow Into





1. Soldiers led Jesus and two robbers outside of Jerusalem and put them on crosses. The robbers were there as punishment for bad things they had done. But Jesus was there to take God's punishment for the bad things God's people had done.



2. From noon to three, Jesus hung on that cross. The sun stopped shining, and the land went dark. "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Jesus cried out, as the punishment for the sins of God's people bore down upon Him.



**“It is finished!”**



3. At last, Jesus said, “It is finished,” and died. The ground shook and the curtain in the Temple that separated God from the people tore in two. “Surely, this was the Son of God,” exclaimed one soldier, who watched it all.

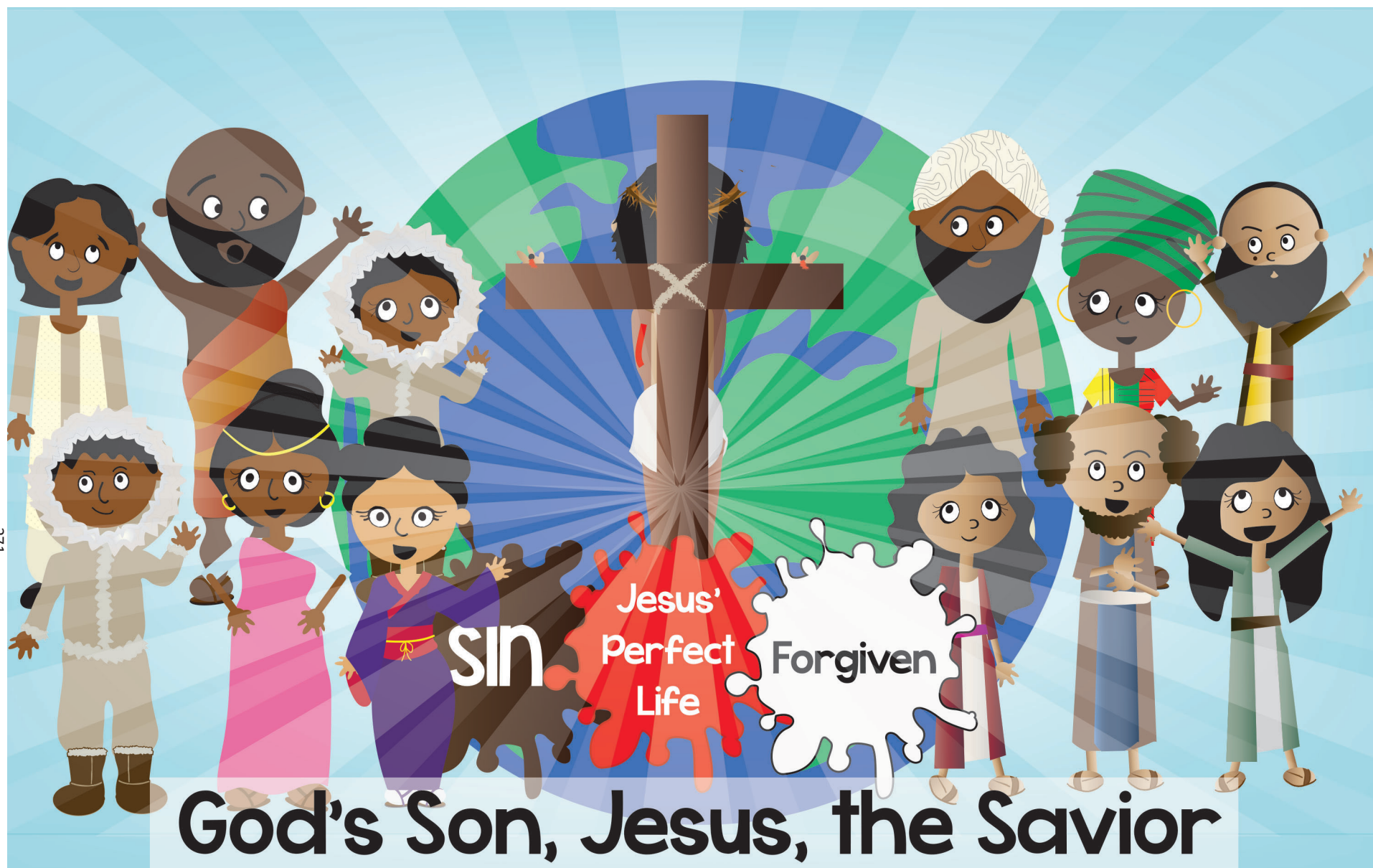


4. Jesus' followers buried His body in a cave-grave and rolled the huge stone in place. Jesus' enemies sent soldiers to make sure no one took Jesus' body. "It is finished," Jesus' enemies happily thought. "Jesus is dead. His life is over. That fake is gone for good."



5. "It is finished," Jesus' friends sadly thought, too. "Jesus is dead. His life is over. The Messiah King is gone for good." It certainly looked like Jesus' enemies and friends were right. Jesus' life seemed finished.





6. But they were **WRONG!** Jesus didn't mean His **LIFE** was finished. He meant His **JOB** was finished. He had finished suffering and dying for the sins of God's people. He had beaten sin and death for them. Jesus was **NOT** gone, only the sins of God's people were.





7. On Sunday, Day Three, a mighty change happened in that grave. Jesus had beaten death, and death could no longer hold Him. God raised Him to life with a new resurrection body, especially made to live forever in heaven. Jesus was alive forevermore! It was time to tell the world!



8. The ground shook as an angel came down and rolled away the stone from the cave-grave. The soldiers were terrified. Jesus' friends were excited, but scared, too. "He's not here, He's risen! Look for yourselves," the angel told them. Yes, the grave was empty! Jesus was alive!



9. Jesus appeared to many of His followers on that wonderful Sunday. "It is I. I am alive. I've risen from the dead. Go and tell the others," Jesus said to the women who had come to his cave-grave early that morning. And the women rejoiced, then hurried to tell the good news.





10. Later that day, Jesus explained God's plan to two of His disciples as they walked to Emmaus. "God's Word promised I would suffer and die for God's people. Now, it is finished," Jesus told them.





II. And last of all, Jesus appeared to His closest followers on that wonderful Sunday, "Peace be with you!" He said, then showed them his hands and side. They were overjoyed. Jesus really was alive and had beaten sin and death for God's people.



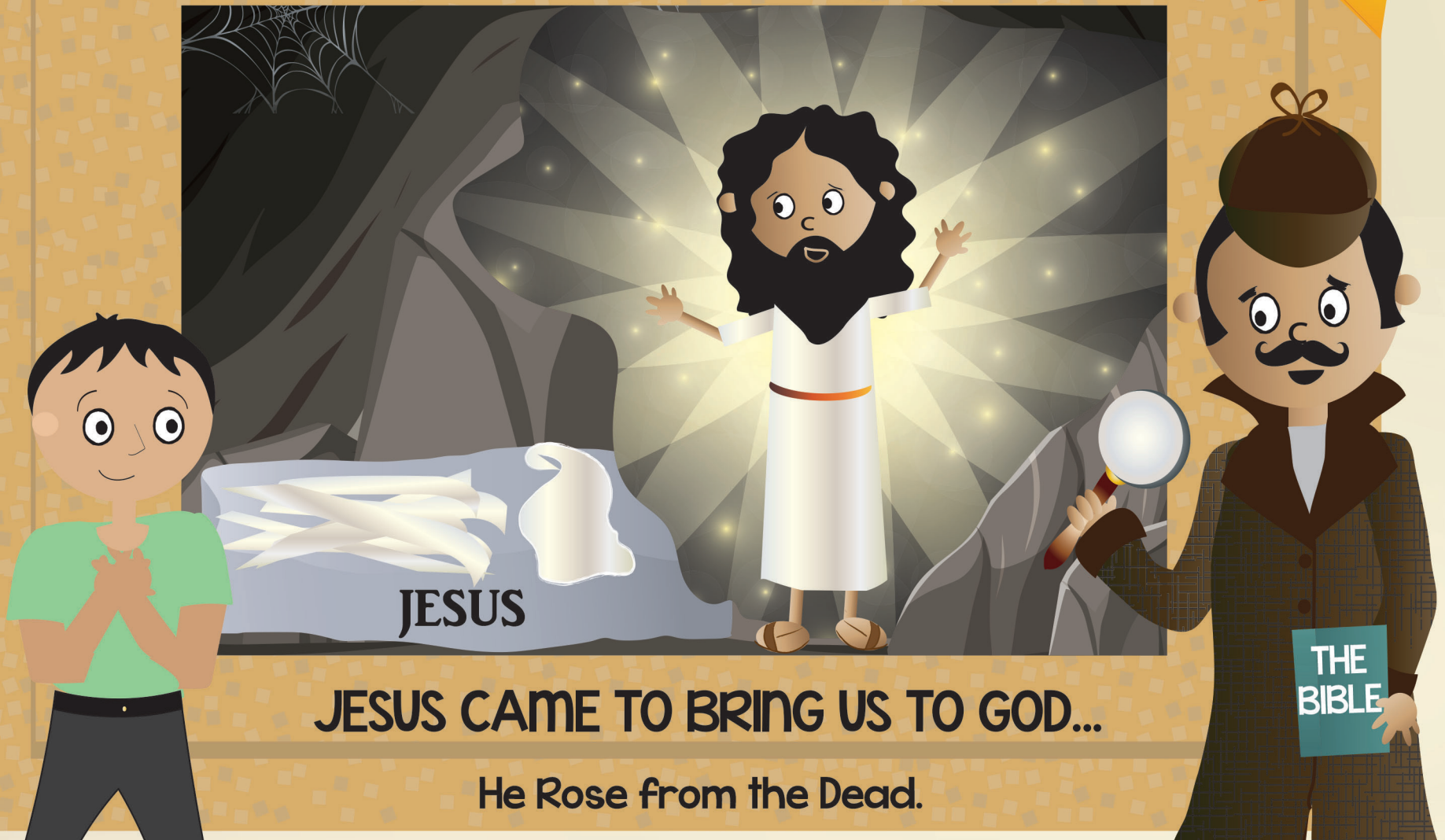
12. What good gifts Jesus gave God's people by His death! Now, they could know God in their hearts through the Holy Spirit. And one day, they would go to live forever with God in heaven. We can become God's people, too, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



## **"The Case of the Unexpected Ending"**

Q: "What Jesus did do after He died and was buried,  
and who didn't expect Him to do it?"

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younger  
kids



**JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...**

**He Rose from the Dead.**

A: "Jesus rose from the grave. Jesus' enemies and his friends didn't expect Him to do this."



# "The Case of the Unexpected Ending" Matthew 27-28; Mark 15-16; Luke 24; John 20-21

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### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. How did Jesus die?  
He suffered and died on a cross.

2. What was unexpected about His death?  
Jesus died on a cross like a bad man, but He had done nothing wrong. On the third day, He rose from the grave. He had beaten sin and death for God's people.

For You and Me:  
Jesus died on the cross for the sins of God's people. He rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for them. We can be God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Luke 24:5-6, ESV

"Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen."

1. Who was looking for a dead man? What did they find instead?

Some women who were Jesus' friends went to the cave-grave to tend to His dead body. They didn't find His body. Instead, they found an angel and an empty cave-grave.

2. What had happened to the dead man? Why?

Jesus had risen from the dead. He had beaten sin and death for God's people. God raised Him up from the dead to live forevermore. Death could not hold Him in the grave.

For You and Me:

Jesus died on the cross for the sins of God's people. He rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for them. We can be God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

## Something to Grow Into

What Did Jesus Come to Do?  
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God...  
He Rose from the Dead!

# The Gospel



What a wonderful day it was when Jesus rose from the dead! That was proof that Jesus had really paid for the sins of God's people. You see, we have all chosen to disobey God and His good ways. We all deserve His punishment for our sins, and our sins are more than we can ever pay for, ourselves.

God would have been perfectly fair to give all of us His punishment for sins. But, He is so full of mercy and love that He chose to save His people through Jesus. On the cross, Jesus died, taking the punishment for their sins in their place. But Jesus didn't stay dead! On Day Three, God raised Him up to live forever. Jesus had done it! He had saved God's people.

We can be God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

He loves to help us do this. Ask Him to help you.

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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 beat sin and death for God's people. You rose from the dead.

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, that we might become God's people.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song





## Something to Grow Into

# A Prayer

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**A** Jesus, we praise You for being our Savior. You came to bring us to God. We praise You for being powerful enough to beat sin and death.

**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 to save all who trust in You as their Savior. Thank You for rising from the dead in victory! You show us that You really have beaten sin and death for all who turn away from their sins and trust in You as their Savior.

**S** Jesus, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins. Help us to trust in You as our Savior. Help us to love You more and live for You more. 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



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

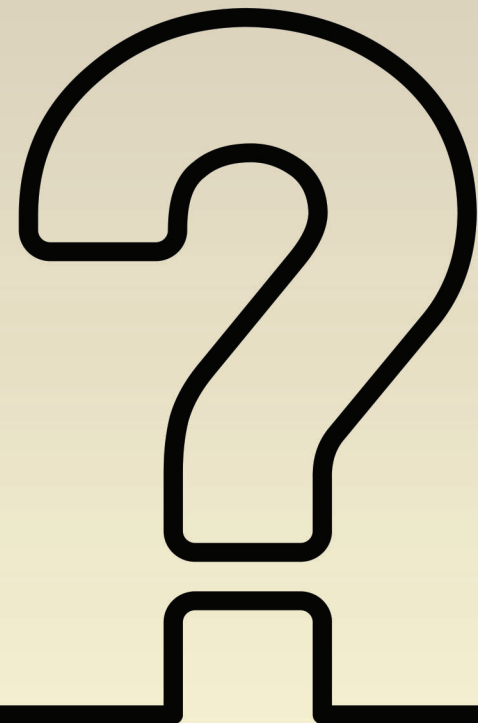


“Deep Down Detectives, it’s almost time for me to go. But first, let’s celebrate what we’ve learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let’s get bouncy!”

# Big Q & A #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!



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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

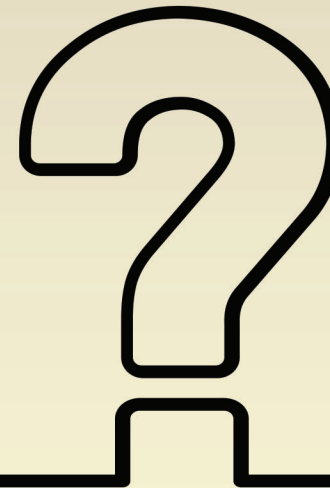
In the beginning, people enjoyed  
Perfect fellowship with God.  
But they disobeyed, their fellowship lost.  
Would things always stay this way?  
Refrain

### 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



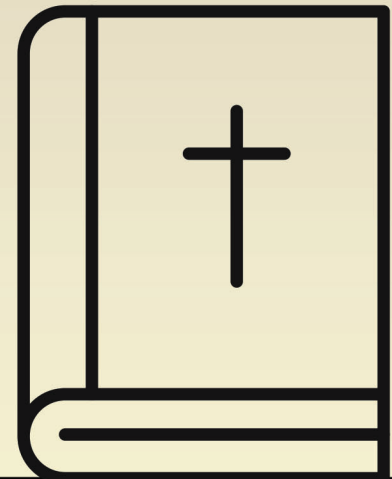
Here is a song that helps us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

Big Question #9, Bible Truth 5 Bible Verse Song:  
Why Do You Seek? Luke 24:5,6

Why do you seek the living among the dead?  
Why do you seek the living among the dead?  
He's not here, but has risen.

Jesus has risen.

Why do you seek the living among the dead?  
Why do you seek the living among the dead?  
Luke Twenty-four, five and six.



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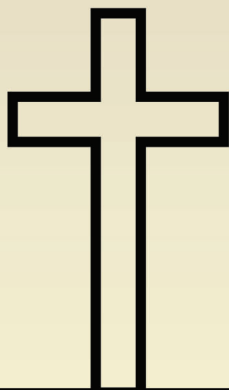
“Let’s praise the Lord sending Jesus to bring people like us to God!”



## 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.

