

Detective Dan's Big Question Box

**Interactive Stories from
the Deep Down Detectives Curriculum**



**2 Bible Truths from Big Question 5:
Can You Tell Me What God Made?
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Deep Down Detectives Curriculum Resources

There are five companion resources for each of the sixteen units of Deep Down Detectives. Use whichever resources are useful to your setting. Deep Down Detectives resources are available as free, digital downloads at praisefactory.org, or for purchase as hard copies through amazon.com.

Make sure to check out the “Bits and Pieces” section of the Deep Down Detectives curriculum online. It has all of the resources separated out making it easy for you simply to pick, choose and print out whatever you want.

Deep Down Detectives Core Curriculum Book, ESV/NIV for each unit

The Deep Down Detectives Core Curriculum book contains the curriculum introduction, the lesson plans, stories, music, activities and take home sheets for each of the units.

Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids with Simple Story Scenes, ESV/NIV for each unit

This resource provides large, colorful signs of the key concepts used in the unit, PLUS, easy-to-use, colorful scenes that you hold up in sequence as you tell the story. The story text for each scene is printed on the bottom of each scene.

Deep Down Detectives Simple Story Scenes, ESV/NIV for each volume

This resource includes only 2-page overview for Bible Truth, the story scenes, and take home sheets. This is a great, basic resource for use at home and in many classroom teaching situations.

Deep Down Detectives Small Format Visual Aids, ESV/NIV (Small Format Storyboard Pictures) for each volume

This resource provides large, colorful signs of the key concepts used in the unit, PLUS, colorful storyboard (flannelgraph) pictures to cut out and use as you tell each story. These storyboard pictures are for use with storyboards at least 24" x 36" in size.

Deep Down Detectives Large Format Visual Aids, ESV/NIV (Large Format Storyboard Pictures) for each volume

This resource provides large, colorful signs of the key concepts used in the unit. It also provides colorful storyboard (flannelgraph) pictures to cut out and use as you tell each story. These storyboard pictures are for use with storyboards 36" x 48" in size.

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Other Resources in the Praise Factory Family of Curriculum

Deep Down Detectives is the second in a family of three, inter-related curriculums:

- Hide 'n' Seek Kids (focus group: ages 2-4; adaptable range: ages 2-pre-K 5's)
- Deep Down Detectives (focus group: ages 4-6's; adaptable range: ages 3-2nd grade)
- PFI: (focus group: grades K-5th grade; adaptable range: pre-K 5's-6th grade)

Each curriculum teaches the same biblical themes, but are presented in greater depth as the children grow and develop. Together, the curriculums work like an expanding spiral of truth that returns to reinforce the same truths with each curriculum, yet leading the children to deeper understanding with each step up.

Learn more about these curriculums as well as other resources and ideas for reaching children with the gospel at: www.praisefactory.org.

About Detective Dan's Big Question Box

Detective Dan's Big Question Box introduces children to the key concepts of the Hide 'n' Seek Kids and the Deep Down Detective curriculums in more of an interactive storybook format. It was created to be used with very little prep and is especially good for your youngest kids with the least attention span, and, for teaching situations where there is no time to prepare or your teachers have very little experience teaching. It is similar to Simple Story Scenes, but the concepts have been simplified and the stories shortened. Also, the music is woven into the format, instead of having to access it separately.

Format Overview

Every Detective Dan story follows the same, three-part format.

Part 1: The Kids and Detective Dan's Big Question

The kids receive a Big Question to solve from Detective Dan. They look in their Bibles and find the answer. They ask Detective Dan to tell them a Bible story related to what they are learning. (The QR codes to some of the Hide 'n' Seek Kids songs are also included on these pages, if you want to use them here.)

Part 2: The Bible Story

This is a shorter version (often much, much shorter) of the stories found in the Deep Down Detectives curriculum, suitable for your youngest children. (Note: story texts in Deep Down Detectives Simple Story Scenes resource is the same as the curriculum story text, if you want the full version.) There are listening questions that give the children something to listen for as they hear the story. (Note: there are two options of these questions: one for younger kids and one for older kids, such as 5 years old and up. After the story, the questions are answered, then there is a choice of two closing prayers: one for younger kids and another for older kids, such as 5 years old and up. There is also an optional gospel page that ties the gospel directly into the Bible truth/story, best for older kids. You can alternatively use the gospel songs to incorporate the gospel into every session via Wiggle and Worship Time music instead of this gospel text page. This is usually better for younger kids' attention spans.)

Part 3: Wiggle and Worship Time

The session ends with Wiggle and Worship Time, in which the kids sing songs related to what they are learning. (The Big Question and Answer song, the Bible verse song, and other songs.) QR codes allow teachers to directly access the songs with a smart device. Or, you can always download the songs onto a device in advance.

Why I Created This New Version

Post-Covid, our volunteer numbers of experienced teachers are still low. We needed a new version of the curriculum, so that even these very inexperienced teachers could easily teach the kids. Detective Dan fits this bill.

How We Use This Detective Dan's at CHBC

Currently, we are using all three parts, plus the briefcase and props, with our 4 and 5 year olds. But, we are only using Parts 2 and 3 with our three year olds; and only Part 3 with our two year olds. This has each group of kids learning what seems best suited for their age in our large, classroom settings. We don't use any of the questions/prayers for older kids, just the more simpler ones for younger kids.

Available Formats

Print Version

You can also choose to download or to purchase from Amazon, the regular, 8.5" x 11" size of Detective Dan. This will work just fine for smaller teaching situations.

Screen Version

You can also download Detective Dan and show on a screen. This is a very inexpensive way to make a large version of the curriculum with the printing expense. And, without having to decide where to store curriculum when not in use.

Need More?

Add in any of the games, coloring sheets, and other elements of the Deep Down Detectives curriculum, as found on the praisefactory.org website. Deep Down Detectives Bits and Pieces section is best for this.

Using Detective Dan's Big Question Box

Prepare Your Materials

1. Choose a Big Question "Case" story to teach the kids.

2. Choose how you want to present the curriculum.

Print out/purchase from Amazon hard copies. Or, if displaying the curriculum on a screen, download the materials to a computer (or teach directly from the Praise Factory website -- Bits and Pieces section.) Connect your computer to the screen.

3. Choose which parts you want to use with your kids.

See previous page for a description of each part and what might be most suitable for your kids. Here's what we do:

2's Introduce the Big Question, then use Part 3: Wiggle and Worship Time

3's: Part 2: Introduce the Big Question and Answer, then use the Bible Story and Part 3: Wiggle and Worship Time

4's and older: Parts 1,2,3 as written, and we incorporate the props and briefcase, as mentioned below in #5 optional props.

OTHER, OPTIONAL PREPARATIONS

4. Prep for the music.

If using the music, you will need to connect to the internet or download the songs. You will likely want to get a portable bluetooth speaker to connect to your device to better amplify the songs. This is especially important if you are teaching a larger classroom of kids.

5. Prep the optional props.

You can simply read the story from the pages, without any additional props. However, we find our kids (older 3's, 4's, 5's and up) LOVE to be part of the story by use of a "real" briefcase and "real" props, mirroring those used in the stories. We purchase a child's size briefcase, then, cut out and laminate the detective props, found in the back of this book. Put the Big Questions inside the corresponding props. The kids will get to pick out the prop and pull out the Big Question during that part of the story.

6. Other resources we find useful.

A bell: We find a bell is a helpful way to call the kids gather for Bible Time.

Egg shakers: kids to enjoy shaking as they sing the songs during Wiggle and Worship Time.

Get Ready to Teach

1. Choose which "Case" you are teaching.

2. If using the music, connect your device to the internet. If amplifying the music through a speaker, connect your phone to the speaker via bluetooth or cord.

3. Put your resources in place.

- Story
- Bell
- Mp3 player and speaker
- Big Question Box
- Music Shakers

4. Pray.

Calling the Kids to Bible Time

1. Ring the bell.

2. Play the Gathering Song.

3. Ask kids to "park their toys" and join you in the Bible Time area.

4. Use the Criss-Cross Applesauce song to help kids to sit down and settle.

5. Pray the Opening Prayer.

6. Use the curriculum, whichever parts you are using with your kids. (See above)

Optional Briefcase and Props

Kids, ages 4 and up, love being a part of the story with the use of an actual briefcase and props. Here's how to make these props. Each pair of props form the front and back of a finished prop. There are 16 props, one for each Big Question. The Big Question is slipped inside the opening in each prop.

Assembling the Optional Props for the Big Question Briefcase

1. Go to praisefactory.org and download the Prop Pictures and Big Questions file from the Deep Down Detectives Bits and Pieces section on praisefactory.org.

This file will be located next to the Detective Dan Big Question Box files for each Bible Truth.

2. Pair Up.

Some are already attached and you cut them out as one and fold. Others, are two pieces that you will put together.

3. Cut out each pair of props.

Fold or piece back to back with picture sides outward.

4. Laminate each pair together, leaving one edge of the assembled piece un laminated, forming a pouch opening.

Do this by placing that edge along the side of the laminating sheet so that it doesn't seal when it goes through the laminator. You can also create the pouch opening by simply snipping one area of lamination. You can also enlarge your pouch opening this way, if you accidentally formed too small of an opening.

5. Cut out the Big Questions and laminate them.

6. Fold and place each Big Question in the props as follows:

Big Question 1	Clue Jar
Big Question 2	Magnifying Glass
Big Question 3	Shoe
Big Question 4	Sunglasses
Big Question 5	Invisible Ink Jar
Big Question 6	Bow Tie
Big Question 7	Badge
Big Question 8	Sock
Big Question 9	Camera
Big Question 10	Detective Hat
Big Question 11	Flashlight
Big Question 12	Watch
Big Question 13	Notepad
Big Question 14	ID Card
Big Question 15	Walkie-Talkie
Big Question 16	Wallet

7. Tip: We used a sharpie to write the number on the prop, too, so we didn't have to remember which Big Question goes into each prop, if one fell out.

8. Purchase a kids' briefcase and put your props in it. You are ready to go!

Get Ready to Teach

1. Look on the title page for which Big Question you're teaching.



2. Power up the mp3 player & speaker. Open the playlist for your Big Question.



3. Put your resources in place:

- Bell
- Story
- Mp3 player and speaker
- Big Question Box (optional)
- Music Shakers (optional)



4. Pray!



Transition to Bible Time

1. Ring and Sing

Ring Bell

Sing "The Gathering Song"



The Gathering Song

"Let's gather together
to worship God,
Let's gather together
to worship God.
Come gather here with me."



2. Park and Come

"It's Bible Time, kids.

Park your toys, and
join me on the mat."



3. Settle with Criss Cross

Sing "Criss Cross
Applesauce Song"
to help kids settle.



Criss Cross Applesauce

(tune of Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star)

Criss cross applesauce,
Sit down, please,
Hands in your lap.
Shhh... Look at me.



Let's Pray
Song

Let's Pray Song

1,2,3

Close your eyes,
Bow your head,
Fold your hands,
Let's pray!

Opening Prayer

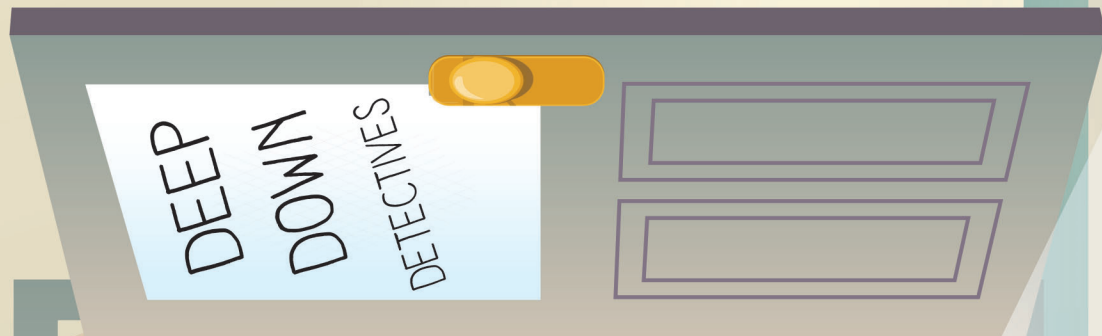
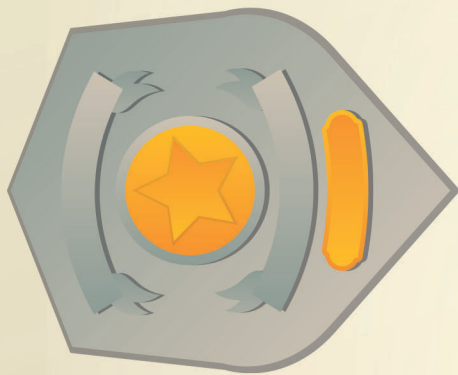
Lord,
Work in our hearts.
Help us to listen and learn about You.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Detective Dan's Big Question Box



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

Deep Down
Detectives Theme



"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!"



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DETECTIVES

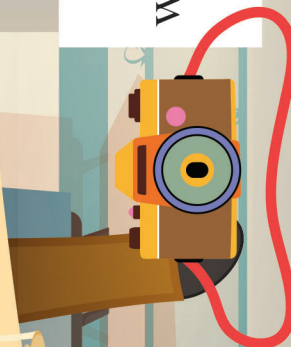
Q: CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT GOD MADE?

A: GOD MADE ALL THINGS GOOD...

HE MADE EVERYTHING GOOD IN HEAVEN AND ???.



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



I Am the LORD
Isaiah 44:24

Isaiah 44:24

**“I am the
LORD, who
made all
things...
who
spread out
the earth
by myself.”**

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
Simple
Song



“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!”



Big Question 5
Tell Me More
Song



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 HOW 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

more depth
for
older kids



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?

more depth
for
older kids



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

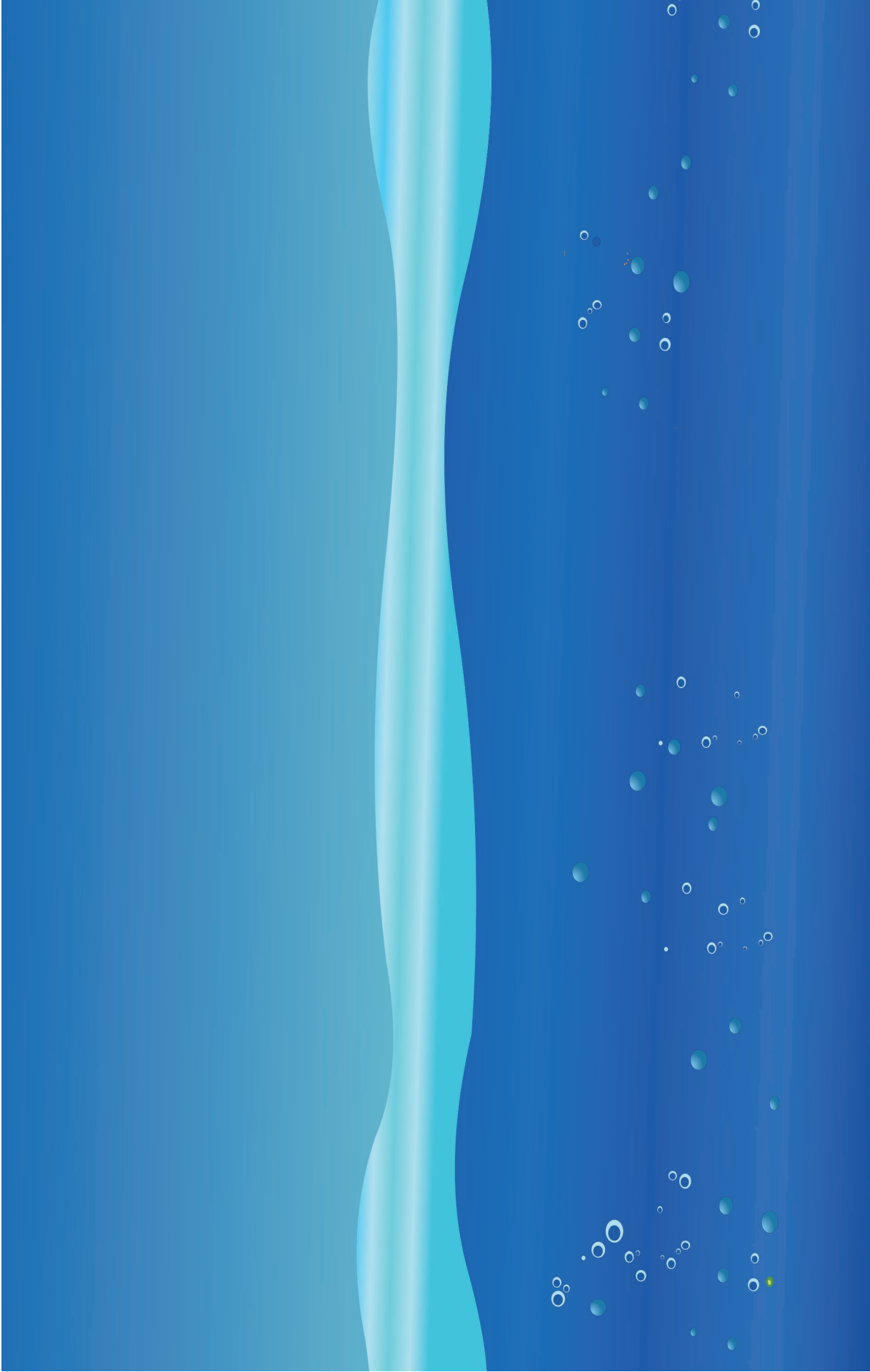
I. Long ago, before the beginning, everything was a BIG NOTHING! Nothing, that is, except the LORD. He's always lived, and always been perfectly happy in Himself, as God, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Always, Perfect Wonderfulness!



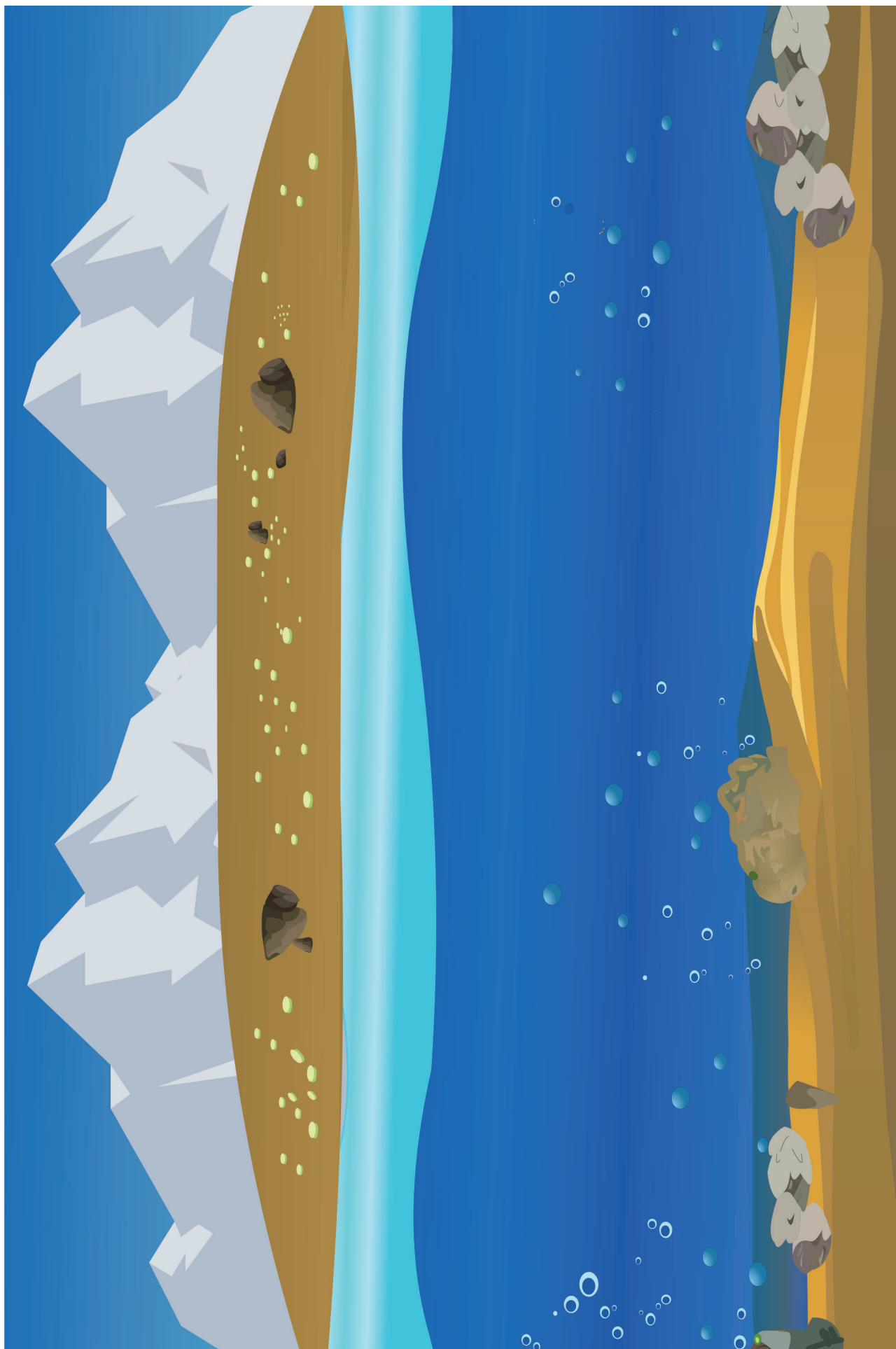
2. The LORD didn't NEED anything else, but He CHOSE to make this world as an amazing display of Himself. Would He make it using paint or scissors like we do when we're making something? No! He would use NOTHING but His powerful words. Here's what He did...



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.



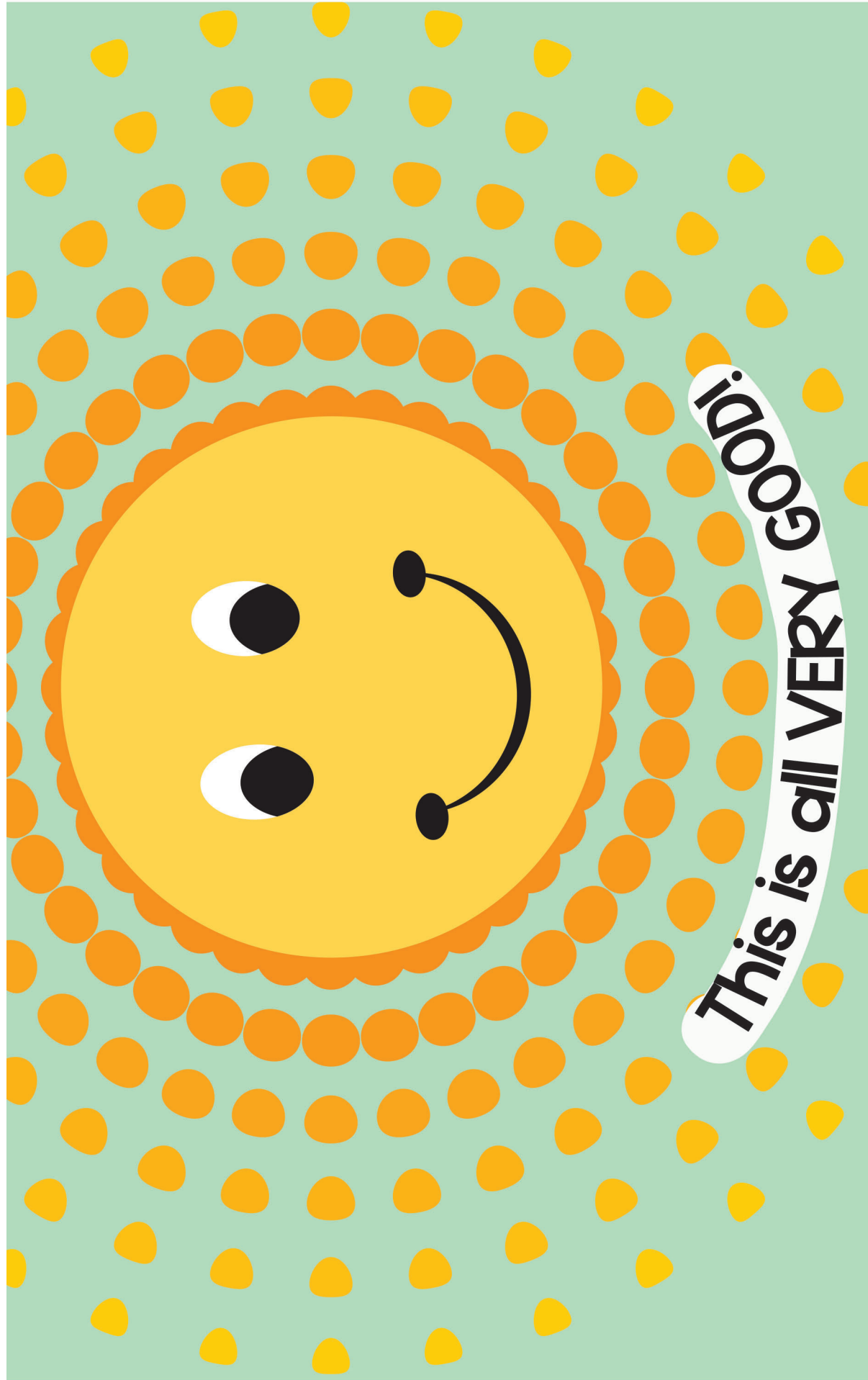
9. On Day Six, the LORD filled the land with creatures. "Come, farm animals! Come, wild animals! Come, creepy bugs and reptiles!" the LORD said. From the mountains to the valleys, the earth awoke with life. What a lot the LORD did in just six days!



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”

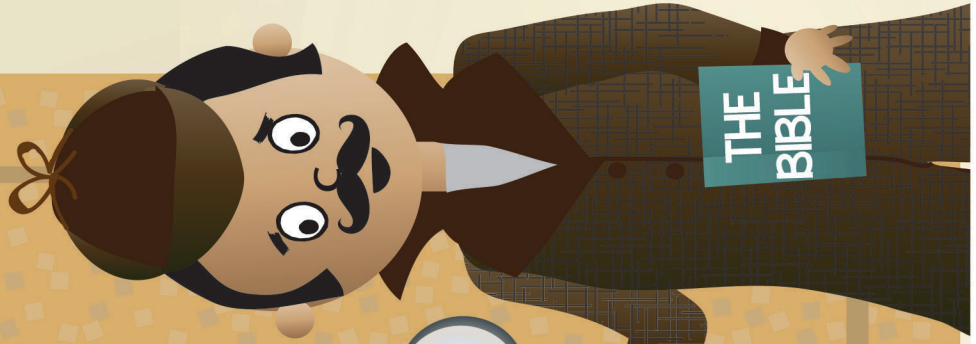
Q: “What did God make out of the Big Nothing?”



GOD MADE ALL THINGS GOOD...

He Made Everything Good in Heaven and Earth!

plenty for
younger
kids



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

more depth
for
older kids



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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older kids



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!

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.



Gospel Songs



more depth
for
older kids

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.



plenty for
younger
kids

ACTS Prayer Song

Something to Grow Into

A Prayer

more depth
for
older kids

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



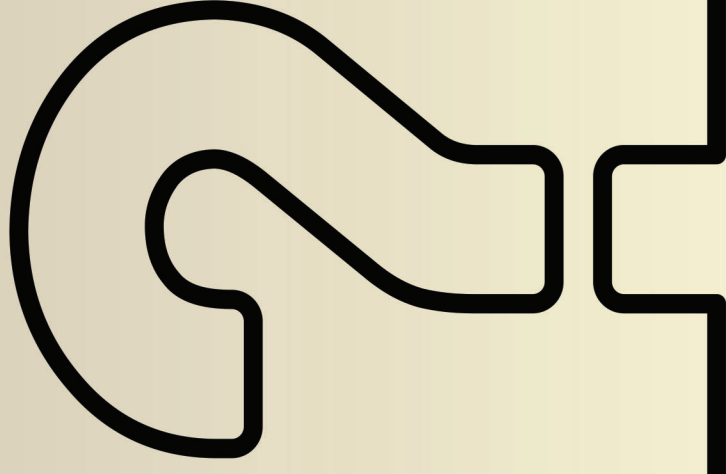
Can you tell me what God made?

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:

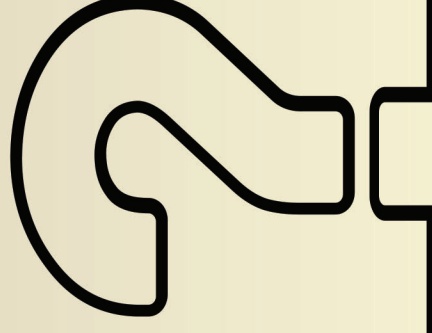
Can you tell me what God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
God made all things good,
God made all things good
(through Jesus/for His glory!)
God made all things good,
God made all things good!

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

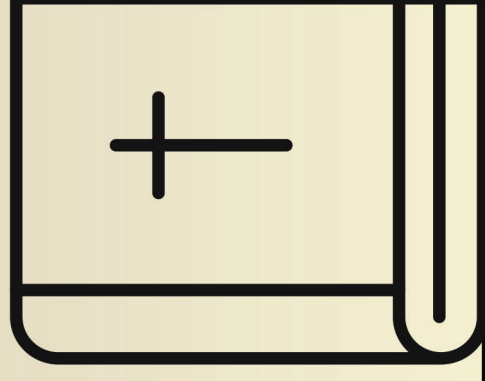


Here's a song that let's us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

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.

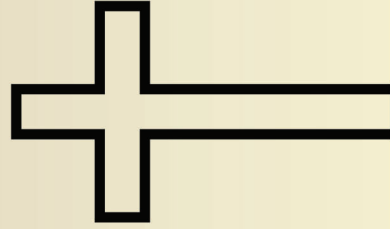
Seven.... On Day Seven, God in heaven,
Rested from all the work He'd He done.
He'd made in perfect wisdom.
It was good what God had done.

"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.



Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 5, Bible Truth 1

The Case of the Big Nothing *Genesis 1*

(Numbers correspond to Bible story picture pages in Detective Dan's Big Question Box)

1. 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.
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.
11. "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.

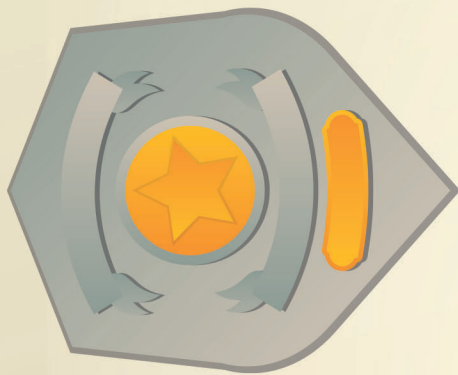


Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #5, Bible Truth 2:
The Case of the Clay Creation**

Deep Down
Detectives Theme



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



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



DEEP
DOWN
DETECTIVES

Q: CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT GOD MADE?

A: GOD MADE ALL THINGS GOOD...

HE MADE ???? IN A SPECIAL WAY!



Hint: "What are we called? It starts
with a "P" and rhymes with "steeple."



The Deep Down Detectives found the clue and read: "Can You Tell Me What God Made? God Made All Things Good... He Made ???? in a Special Way! Genesis 1:27." Hint: "What are we called? It starts with a "P" and rhymes with "steeple."

Genesis 1:27

**“God
created
man in his
own
image...
male and
female he
created
them.”**



**Then God Said
Genesis 1:26,27**

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Genesis 1:27, and read: “God created man in his own image... male and female he created them.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out the second way God made all things good?" he asked. "We think so! 'People were the only creature God made in His image. Only to them did He give a spirit to know and love Him.'"



Big Q & A 5
Simple
Song



"Our Big Question is: Can You Tell Me What God Made? And the answer is: God Made All Things Good... He Made PEOPLE in a Special Way!" "Great job, kids! You did it!"



Big Question 5
Tell Me More
Song



God made people good in a different way from His other creations. He gave us a spirit that never dies. It's how we're made in God's image, because God is spirit. It's why we can know and love God like no other creature. We can look at what God made and see how wonderful He is. God can help us know and love Him in our spirit, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, one day, we'll get to live with Him in heaven, loving and knowing Him forever.



Bible Chant
Song

“The Case of the Clay Creation”

Genesis 1,2



“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 Clay Creation.’ Listen for who God made from clay and what special gift He put inside them.”

"The Case of the Clay Creation" Genesis 1,2

more depth
for
older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was made out of clay?
2. How did he come to life?

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for
older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Genesis 1:26,27, ESV:

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our own image.' Male and female he created them."

1. How did God make man (people) in His own image?
2. How did God make people in a way that was different from all the other earthly creatures?

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

Something to Grow Into



1. What a lot happened in the first six days of the world! God made everything in the heavens and the earth, and He filled it FULL of amazing, wonderful busy-ness! Seas, skies, and land were swarming with creatures, enjoying the world God had made.



3. God used clay from the ground to create the first man. He called him Adam. Then, God breathed into Adam's nose the breath of life, and he became alive.



4. Adam's body that could do all sorts of wonderful things. But God put something even more amazing **INSIDE** Adam's body: a spirit! With this spirit, Adam could know and love God, and could SEE God's greatness and goodness in everything God made.

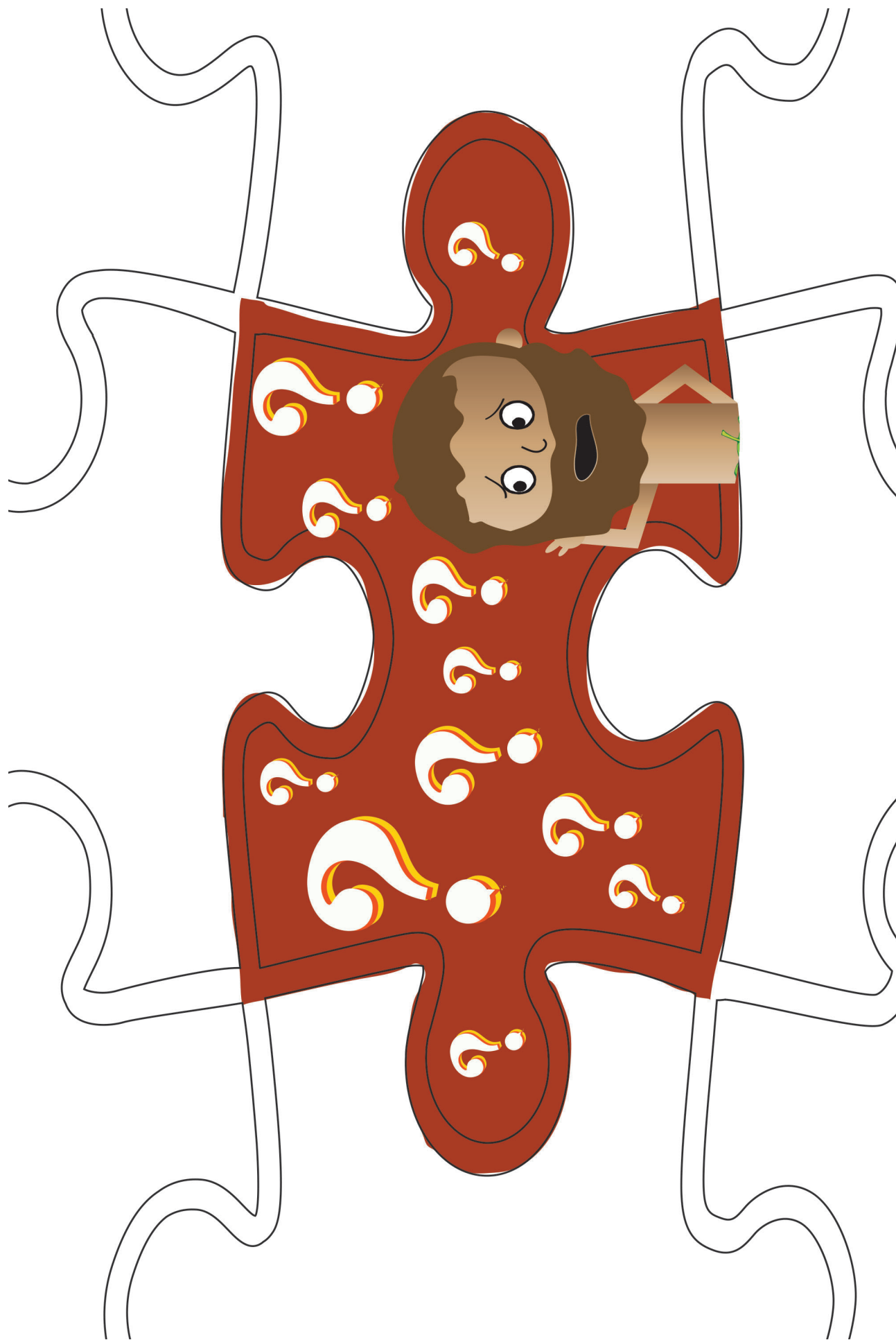


FOREVER

5. This special spirit was God's FOREVER gift, given only to people. It would never die. And because God is spirit, the spirit He gives to us makes us a one-of-a-kind picture of Him. We're made in His image. It's why we can know and love God in a way no other creature can.



6. So, when Adam opened his eyes and saw God's beautiful world, he wasn't just amazed with it. He was amazed with God. Adam was so very happy.



7. Adam was happy, but he was alone. He looked for a special partner among God's creatures but couldn't find one. God had made Adam this way; and now, He would make this partner for him.



8. God put Adam into a deep sleep. While he was sleeping, God took a rib from Adam's side and formed it into a woman --Eve. God gave Eve the same, special spirit that He had given Adam.



9. When Adam woke up, he was so pleased. Here was just the right helper and friend for him. She was like him, yet different, too. Together, they would enjoy God and share all the wonderful things God had created.



10. God gave the happy man and woman jobs made just for them: "Have a family and fill the earth with people," God commanded them. "Take care of the creatures. Rule over all the earth. Explore it and make it all your home," He told them.



II. The LORD put Adam and Eve in a beautiful, garden home. "Love and obey Me," God told them. "If you do, you will live happily together with Me in this world forever," He promised.



I2. How wonderful that first day together must have been for Adam and his wife, Eve! They could enjoy everything together: God's creation around them; the love they had for each other; and best of all, that wonderful, special closeness with God in their spirits.

“The Case of the Big Nothing”

Q: “Who did God make from clay, and what special gift did He put inside them?”



GOD MADE ALL THINGS GOOD...

He Made People in a Special Way!

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kids



A: “God made Adam out of earth’s clay. He gave people a spirit so they could know and love Him forever.”

"The Case of the Clay Creation" Genesis 1,2

more depth
for
older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was made out of clay?
Man was.

2. How did he come to life?
God breathed breath into him. God also gave him a living spirit that would never die.

For You and Me:
People are God's most special creation. God created us with a spirit, so we can know Him, love Him, and enjoy Him. And, so we see and enjoy His goodness, as we enjoy and explore all of His creations.

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 answer this prayer.

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Genesis 1:26,27, ESV:

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our own image.' Male and female he created them."

1. How did God make man (people) in His own image?

He gave them a living spirit to know and love Him and each other. He made them able to see His goodness and beauty in all of His creations.

2. How did God make people in a way that was different from all the other earthly creatures?

None of the other creatures could know and love Him the same way because they did not have this special spirit.

For You and Me:

God made us in His image to know and love Him, but sadly, we have all chosen to disobey Him and to not love Him. We have broken the beautiful friendship God made us to have with Him. 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 answer this prayer.

Something to Grow Into

Can You Tell Me What God Made?
God Made All Things Good..
God made people in a special way!

The Gospel

God made people with a spirit so they could know and love Him, and could see how wonderful He is, as they look at all He has made. But sadly, we all have chosen to turn away from God, disobeying Him and His good ways. This is how we lost our special friendship with God. Now, we all deserve God's punishment for our sins.

But God's plans were not broken, even by our sin! Even from before the beginning, God planned to save His sinful people. He sent His Son, Jesus, to pay for their sins with His perfect life, as He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead. He had beaten sin and death!

Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior, are forgiven their sins. God gives them new hearts to know and love Him. They are His people. And one day, they will go to live with Him in a place even more wonderful than the beautiful heaven and earth God made in the beginning. We can be God's people, too. Ask Him to help you. He loves to do this!



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 the Maker of us and everything in the world.

Thank You for the spirit You have put in our hearts. We get to know and love You in a way no other creature gets to.

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.



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ACTS Prayer Song

Something to Grow Into

A Prayer

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A We praise You, God, for being our Good Creator. You made people, in the beginning.

C God, You made people to know and love You with the spirit You gave them. But we all have disobeyed You. We have all chosen not to love You. We have lost the gift of knowing You. 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, people, and everything else. Thank You most of all, for making us in Your image, so we can know You and see how wonderful You are in everything You have made.

S God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our own Savior. Help us to know You and love You with the spirit You put inside us. Fill us with Your Holy Spirit, that we might live for You and enjoy You forever.

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!)



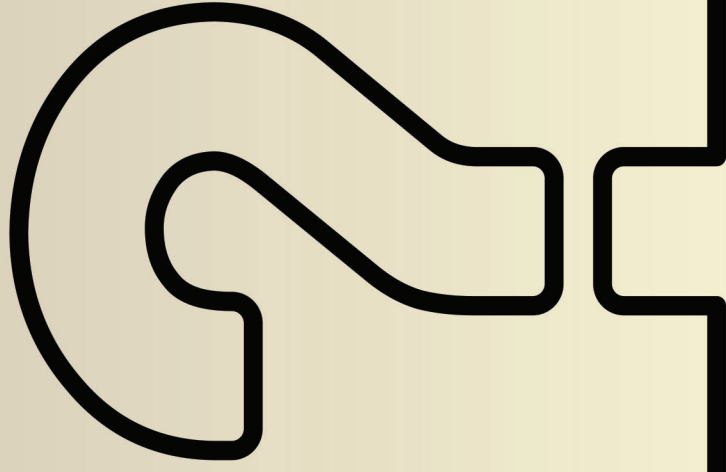
“Deep Down Detectives, it’s almost time for me to go. But first, let’s celebrate what we’ve learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let’s get bouncy!”

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:

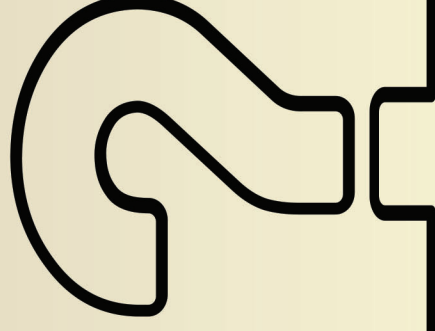
Can you tell me what God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
Can you tell me what God made?
God made all things good,
God made all things good
(through Jesus/for His glory!)
God made all things good,
God made all things good!

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



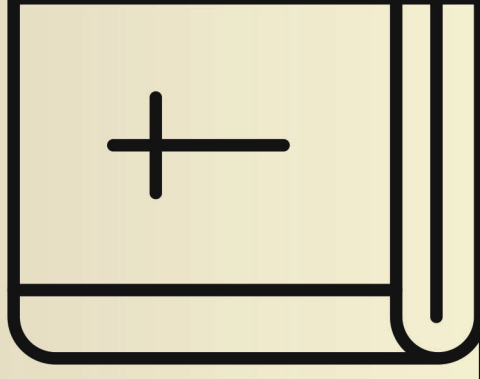
Here's a song that let's us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

Big Question #5, Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse Song:

Then God Said: Genesis 1:26,27

Then God said, "Let us make man,
Let us make man in our own image."
Then God said, "Let us make man,
Let us make man in our own image."
Male and female, He created them,
Male and female, He created them.

Then God said, "Let us make man,
Let us make man in our own image."
Then God said, "Let us make man,
Let us make man in our own image."
Genesis One, twenty-six and seven.



"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."

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Made the difference in day and night.
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Wonder what else God will do?

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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.

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God made lizards, cats and other things
that lick.

Critters and people were made on Day Six.

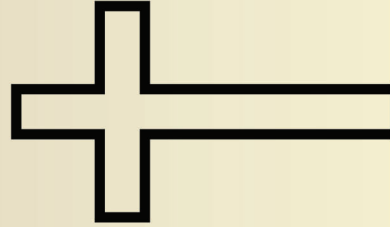
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He'd made in perfect wisdom.
It was good what God had done.

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

The Gospel Song (Short)

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But God sent His Son to save,
All who turn back to Him, and pray:
"Jesus, be my Savior,
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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.

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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.



Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 5, Bible Truth 2

The Case of the Clay Creation *Genesis 1,2*

(Numbers correspond to Bible story picture pages in Detective Dan's Big Question Box)

1. What a lot happened in the first six days of the world! God made everything in the heavens and the earth, and He filled it FULL of amazing, wonderful busy-ness! Seas, skies, and land were swarming with creatures, enjoying the world God had made.
2. But before sunset on Day Six, God still had someone else to make. People! God's beautiful world wouldn't be complete without them. After all, He planned it for them, that they might know and enjoy it, and Him, the God who made it all!
3. God used clay from the ground to create the first man. He called him Adam. Then, God breathed into Adam's nose the breath of life, and he became alive.
4. Adam's body that could do all sorts of wonderful things. But God put something even more amazing INSIDE Adam's body: a spirit! With this spirit, Adam could know and love God, and could SEE God's greatness and goodness in everything God made.
5. This special spirit was God's FOREVER gift, given only to people. It would never die. And because God is spirit, the spirit He gives to us makes us a one-of-a-kind picture of Him. We're made in His image. It's why we can know and love God in a way no other creature can.
6. So, when Adam opened his eyes and saw God's beautiful world, he wasn't just amazed with it. He was amazed with God. Adam was so very happy.
7. Adam was happy, but he was alone. He looked for a special partner among God's creatures but couldn't find one. God had made Adam this way; and now, He would make this partner for him.
8. God put Adam into a deep sleep. While he was sleeping, God took a rib from Adam's side and formed it into a woman --Eve. God gave Eve the same, special spirit that He had given Adam.
9. When Adam woke up, he was so pleased. Here was just the right helper and friend for him. She was like him, yet different, too. Together, they would enjoy God and share all the wonderful things God had created.
10. God gave the happy man and woman jobs made just for them: "Have a family and fill the earth with people," God commanded them. "Take care of the creatures. Rule over all the earth. Explore it and make it all your home," He told them.
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