



"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. The Big Question is 'Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?' Come on! Let's unlock it and see what clue he gives us."



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



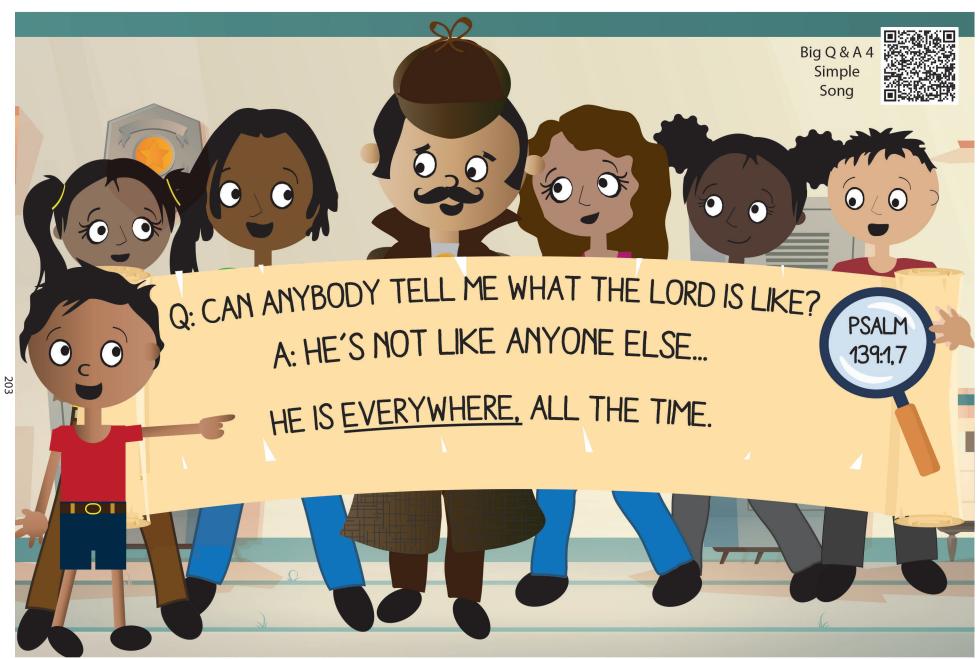
The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? He's Not Like Anyone Else... He Is ????, All the Time. Psalm 139:1,7." Hint: "A word that means all places? It rhymes with "teddy bear."



The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Psalm 139:1,7, and read: "O LORD, you have searched me and known me! Where shall I go from your Spirit?"



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this fourth truth about what the LORD is like?" he asked. "No matter where we are, God is also there."



"Our Big Question is: Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? And the answer is: He's Not Like Anyone Else... He Is <u>EVERYWHERE</u>, All the Time!" "Great job, kids! You did it!"

"We can only be in one place at one time. But the LORD is everywhere, all the time. He is with you and me right here. He is with your friends and family in their homes and at work. He is even with all the people who live far away in other parts of the world.... and all at the same time! There is nowhere we can go, where God will not be, too. He sees everything, everyone is doing, all the time. He is always there to comfort us, to help us, and to save us, when we trust Jesus as our Savior. "



"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 God Who Would Never Leave.' Listen for who the LORD never left, and who He promised to bless by sending Jesus."

The Case of the God Who Would Never Leave Genesis 27-28



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

- I. Who ran away from home? Why?
- 2. Who was the God who didn't leave him? Why was it so amazing that He didn't leave him?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Psalm 139:1-3, ESV

"O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar...and are acquainted with all my ways."

- I. Who went far away from his home?
- 2. How did the LORD show him that He was still with him, guiding him and helping him?

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



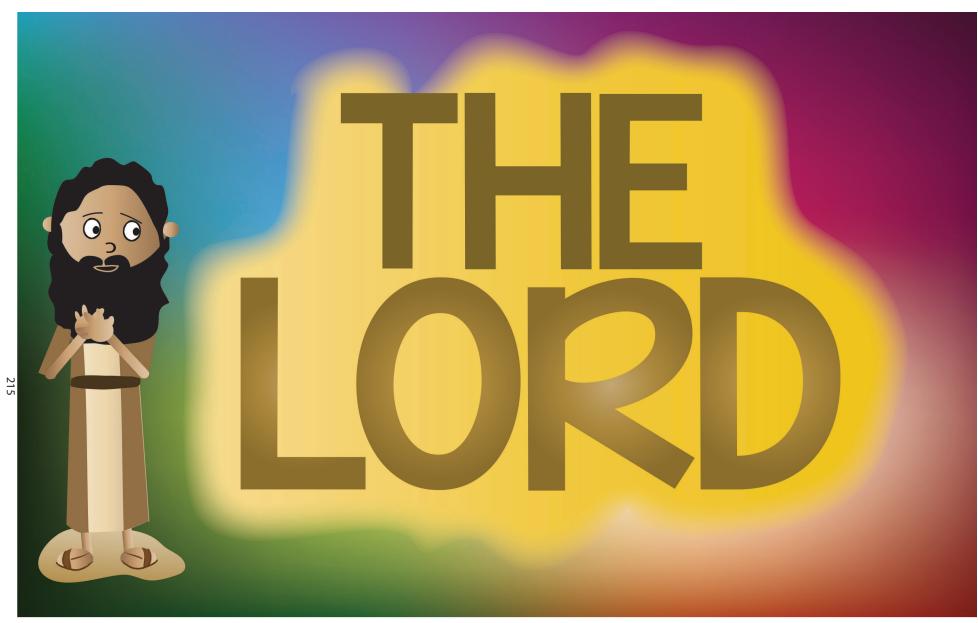
I. Jacob had been up to his tricky tricks again, and now he was in big trouble. He had tricked big brother, Esau, out of both of the special gifts he was supposed to get from their father, Isaac. Esau was so angry! He wanted to kill Jacob!



2. There was only one thing Jacob could do: run away. But to where? His mother, Rebekah, had an idea. "Run far away to the country where my family lives." Isaac agreed. So, Jacob packed his things and left home.



3. The trip to Rebekah's family was long and hard. Each day, Jacob had to find his own water and food. The nights were dark. The ground was bumpy and hard. Jacob had only a rock for a pillow.



4. Jacob had never been so alone before, in the middle of nowhere. Who could be with him and help him, as he traveled so far away? There was someone. The LORD! He is the God who is everywhere, all the time.



5. And though Jacob had done some very bad things, the LORD chose to be kind and merciful to him. He would treat Jacob better than he ever deserved. The LORD even planned to use Jacob to bring good to all people, everywhere... even to people like you and me.



6. So right there, in the middle of nowhere, the LORD helped Jacob fall asleep and gave him a special dream. Jacob saw a VERY tall ladder that stretched up to heaven. There were lots of God's angels climbing up and down it, and at the very TOP, Jacob saw the LORD!



7. "I am the LORD. I'm making big promises to you, just like I did to your father and grandfather. I will take care of you wherever you go. I'm giving this land to you. And one day, I will bless the whole world through your family." the LORD said.



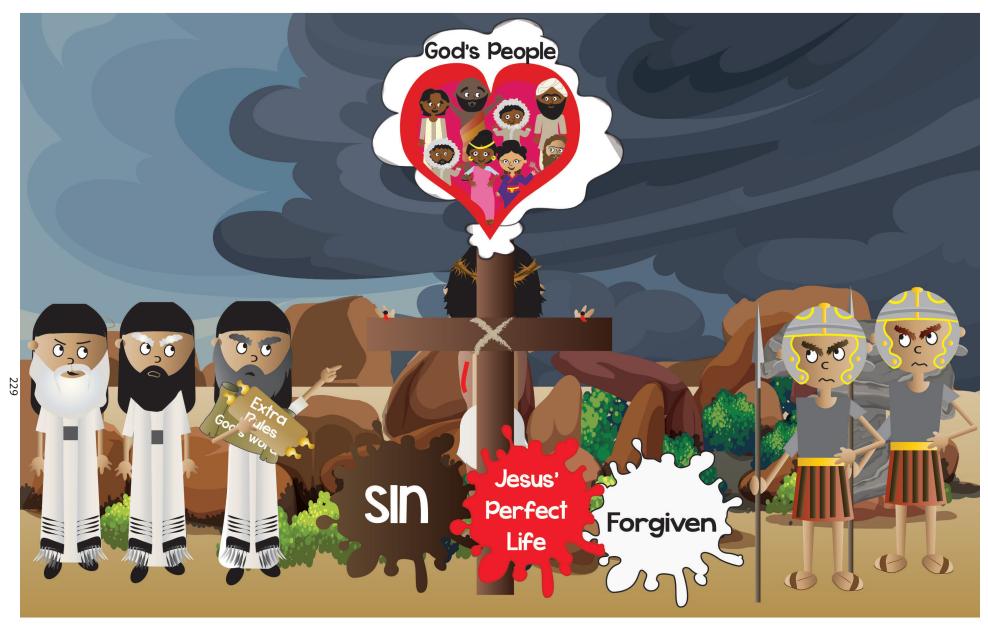
8. The next morning, Jacob took the stone that had been his pillow, and he stood it up on end like a tower. Then, he poured oil on the stone as a sign that God had done something special. He named the place, "Bethel," which means "House of God."



9. "Be with me and help me," Jacob prayed. "Then, people will see this stone, remember Your faithfulness, and worship You. And I will give You worship gifts from everything You give me," Jacob promised. The LORD was pleased with Jacob's promise and accepted it.



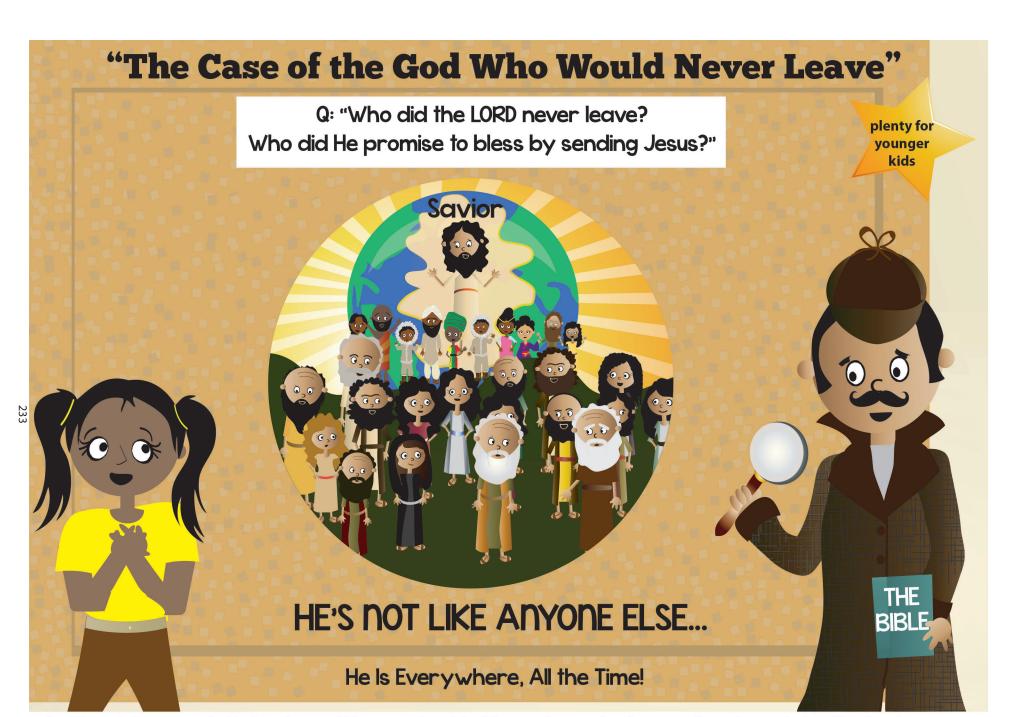
10. The LORD kept His promises to Jacob. He helped Jacob get to his mother's family and safely back home. He blessed Jacob with a big family and many good things. He worked inside Jacob, too. The LORD changed Jacob into a man who loved Him and trusted in Him.



II. God also kept His promise to bless all peoples through Jacob's family --through Jesus. Jesus came to give us the greatest blessing of all: forgiveness of our sins, when we turn from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior.



12. If we do, the LORD will be OUR God who is with US, everywhere, all the time. He will always be with us, taking care of us, working inside our hearts, and helping us to love Him and trust in Him.



A: "The LORD never left Jacob, and He promised to bless all peoples by sending Jesus to be the Savior."

The Case of the God Who Would Never Leave Genesis 27-28



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

I. Who ran away from home? Why? Jacob ran away from home because he cheated his brother out of their father's special blessing.

2. Who was the God who didn't leave him? Why was it so amazing that He didn't leave him?

The LORD was the God who didn't leave Jacob. It was amazing that the LORD didn't leave Jacob because the LORD hates wrong-doing (sin) and Jacob had done a very bad thing by tricking his father to get the special, firstborn blessing.

Isn't the LORD amazing! He is good and He hates wrong-doing (sin); but, He is so merciful, too. The LORD stayed with Jacob and promised to bless him. He changed Jacob into a man who loved Him and lived for Him. The LORD even used Jacob to bless us, too. How? By sending Jesus through Jacob's family to be the Savior for the sins of God's people. When we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus, the LORD will forgive our sins, too. He will make us His special people who He will bless every day of our lives. And one day, He will take us to live with Him forever. That will be the greatest blessing of all!

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Psalm | 39:1-3, ESV

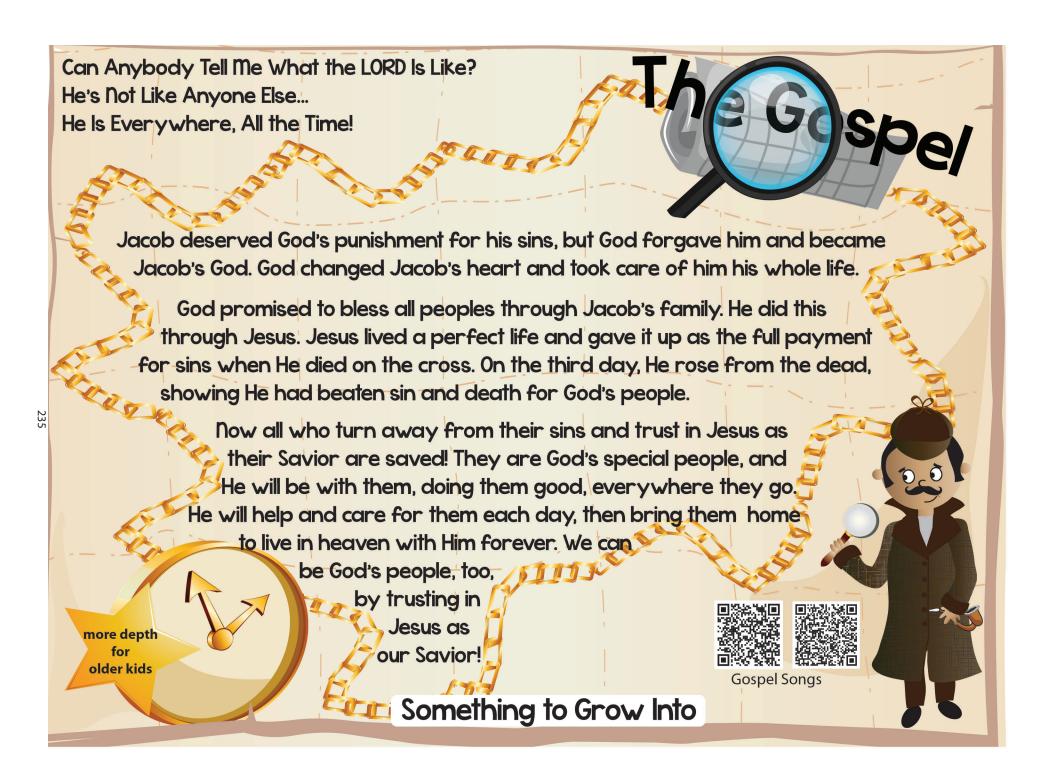
"O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar...and are acquainted with all my ways."

- I. Who went far away from his home? Jacob did.
- 2. How did the LORD show him that He was still with him, guiding him and helping him? The LORD helped Jacob find the way to the country where his mother used to live. He took care of Jacob while he lived there, and then He brought Jacob back home. He worked inside of Jacob, changing him into a man who loved and trusted in Him. He helped Esau forgive Jacob, and He blessed Jacob with all of the good things He promised him.

For You and Me:

The LORD knew Jacob's thoughts. He was familiar with all of his ways. He knew Jacob was a sinner and did not deserve His loving-kindness. But the LORD treated Jacob better than he deserved. The LORD loved Jacob and helped him. He took care of his needs and changed his life into one that wanted to love and obey Him. Like Jacob, we are sinners, too. The LORD offers His lovingkindness to us, too. He wants us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He can be the God who is taking care of us as His special people, everywhere, all the time, too. Ask Him to help you!

Something to Grow Into



"The LORD is not like anyone else! Let's pray to Him now."

A Prayer

We praise You, LORD. You are everywhere, all the time.

Thank You for keeping Your promise to send the Savior, Jesus, that we might be saved.

Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



C God, You ARE always with us. You DO see everything. Nothing is hidden from You. We know You see us every time we disobey You We need a Savior! Please forgive us through Jesus!

T Thank You, God, for always being with us wherever we are. Thank You that even when we feel very alone, You are there. We can always turn to You and ask You for help.

S Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to live to please You as You watch us. Help us to depend on You to take care of us.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



"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 #4 Simple Song

Can anybody tell me, Tell me, tell me, Can anybody tell me, What the LORD is like?

He's not like anyone else, Anyone else, anyone else, He's not like anyone else, That's what the LORD is like.





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

Big Question #4 Tell Me More Song

Refrain

Tell me, can anybody tell me, Tell me, what the LORD is like? Tell me, can anybody tell me, Tell me, what the LORD is like? He's not like anyone else, He's not like anyone else, He's not like anyone else, He's not like anyone else,

Verse 2:

He's Immutable! (He never changes!)
He's Infallible! (He makes no mistakes!)
He's Infinite!

(There's always more of Him to know!)
And purely Righteous! (He has no sin!
Not even a teeny, tiny speck!)

Verse !:

He's Omniscient! (He knows all things)
Omnipresent! (He's everywhere you can be)
Omni-benevolent! (He's always good!)
and Omnipotent! (He can do all things!)



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

ABC's of God Rap, page I

So you say that the Lord's not like anyone else, That He's in a category all by Himself, Well, that's cool, y'all, 'cuz l agree, Come praise the Lord with me! Come 'on!



Refrain:

Come, little children,
Gonna say my ABC's of God,
Yes, come draw near, little children,
Gonna say 'em for all to hear. (Repeat)

The Lord is ABLE, He is BLESSED,
He is full of COMPASSION, is COMPLETE DELIGHTFULNESS,
He sits ENTHRONED above the cherubim,
There's no one, I mean no one who's EXALTED like Him!
The Lord is FORGIVING, FULL of GLORY He shines,
He's His people's HELPER, INTERCEDES all the time,
He's also our JUDGE and our KING supreme,
He's the LORD, the LIVING ONE, robed in MAJESTY.

ABC's of God Rap, page 2

So we've just described some of who the Lord is, Using words from A to M. And it's clear there's no one like Him. Now let's go from N to Z, Come, praise the Lord with me. (Refrain)



The Lord NEEDS NOTHING, NOT even sleep;
He's the ONE, true God and PROVIDER of true PEACE;
He QUIETS His people with His love;
He REDEEMED them from hell By the power of His blood-Jesus;
The Lord is SOVEREIGN, He is TRUTHFUL and UPRIGHT,
Over death He's VICTORIOUS and He's WONDERF'LY WISE;
He's our eXCELLENT God, He's real name is YAHWEH,
He is full of ZEAL, and His good plans win always!

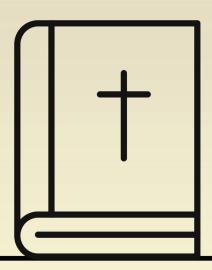
Now I've said my ABC's, Come and praise the Lord with me! Now I've said my ABC's, Won't you come and praise the Lord with me, Come on! (Refrain)

Now we know our ABC's, And you'll have to agree, He's not like anyone else, He's in a category all by Himself, He's in a category all by Himself. A,B,C,D,E,F,G, H,I,J,K,L,M,N,O,P, Q,R,S,T,U,V,W,X,Y and Zzz.

Big Question #4, Bible Truth 4 Bible Verse Song: Where Shall I Go? Psalm 139:7-10

Where shall I go from your Spirit? (Nowhere!)
Where shall I flee from your presence? (Nowhere!)
If I ascend to heaven, you are there!
If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!
If I take the wings of the morn,
Dwell in the utmost parts of the sea,
Even there your hand shall lead me,
Your right hand shall hold me.
Where shall I go from your Spirit? (Nowhere!)
Where shall I flee from your presence? (Nowhere!)
Psalm One-thirty-nine, seven through ten.





Big Question #4 Hymn

Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children

Praise Him, praise Him,
All ye little children,
God is love (powerful, holy),
God is love (powerful, holy),
Praise Him, praise Him,
All ye little children,
God is love (powerful, holy),
Praise Him, praise Him,
All ye little children,
God is love (powerful, holy).

Big Question #4 Praise Song

God Is So Good

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





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.

