

Detective Dan's Big Question Box

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



**6 Bible Truths from Big Question 9:
What Did Jesus Come to Do?
by Constance Dever**



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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.

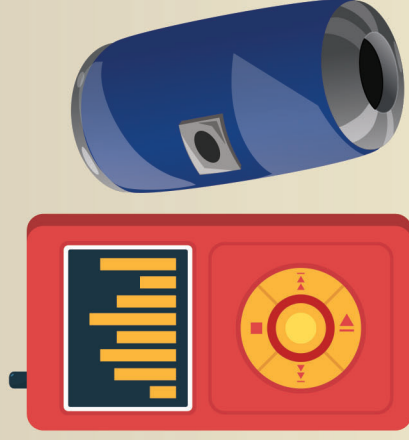
8. Purchase a kids' briefcase and put your props in it. You are ready to go!

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!

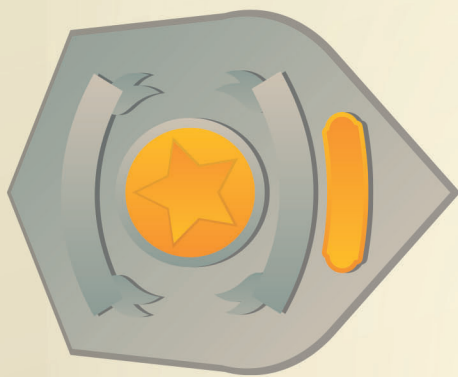
Opening Prayer

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 #9, Bible Truth 1:
The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind**



"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, ‘What Did Jesus Come to Do?’ Come on, everybody. Let’s unlock it and see **what’s** inside.”



"Deep Down Detectives! This is your first of six 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: WHAT DID JESUS COME TO DO?
A: JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...
HE LEFT HIS HOME IN ??? TO SAVE US.

JOHN
6:38

Hint: "Jesus' home is where the angels live. It starts with an "H" and rhymes with "seven."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Left His Home in ??? to Save Us. John 6:38." Hint: "Jesus' home is where the angels live. It starts with an "H" and rhymes with "seven."

John 6:38

**“I have
come down
from
heaven
to do the
will of him
who sent
me.”**



Down, Down, Down
John 6:38

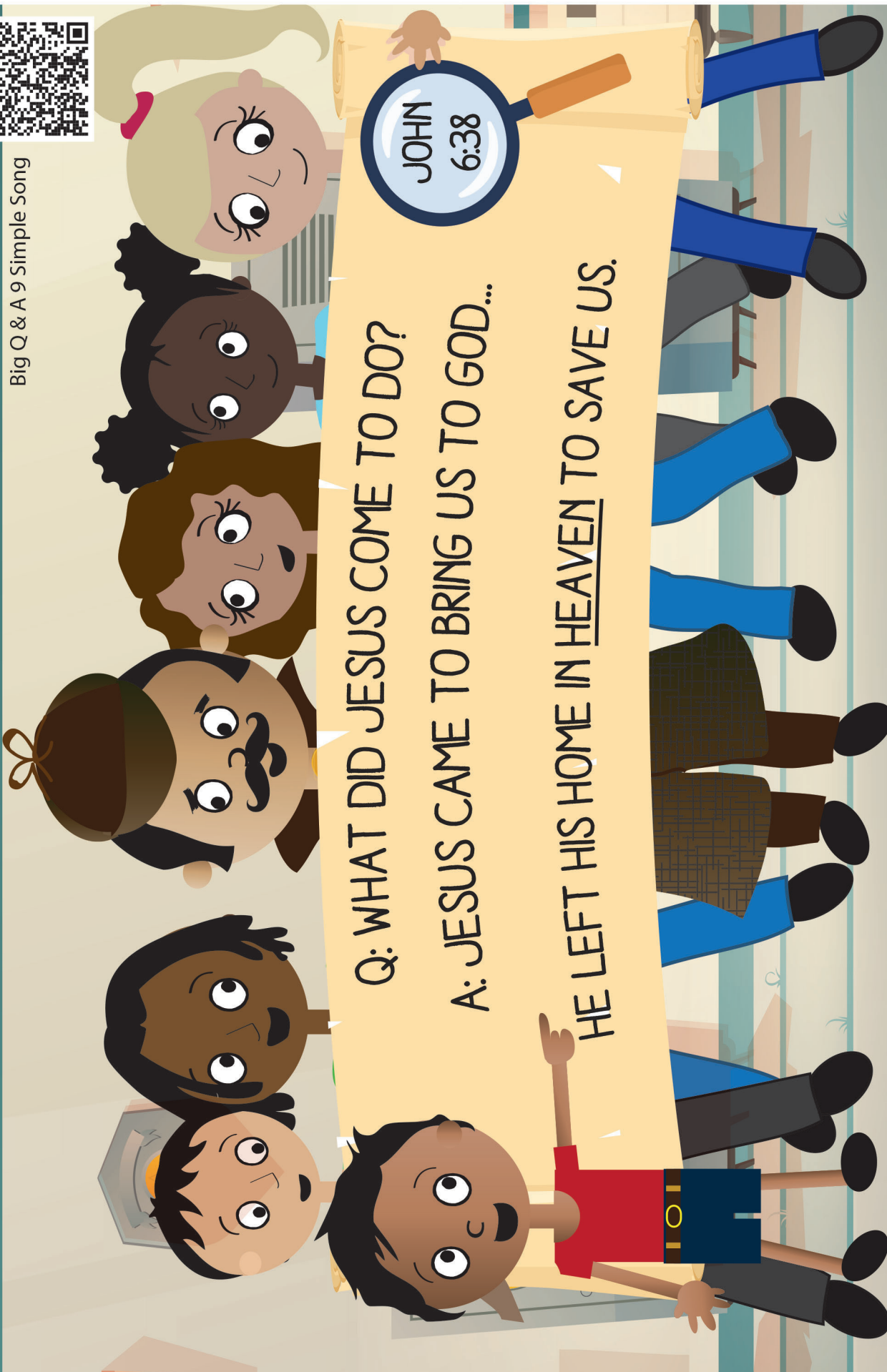
The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to John 6:38, and read: “I have come down from heaven to do the will of him who sent me.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this first truth about what Jesus came to do?" he asked. "We think so! Jesus is God's Son who chose to leave His home in heaven to be our Savior, just as God, His Father, planned.



Big Q & A 9 Simple Song



“Our Big Question is: What Did Jesus Come to Do? And the answer is: Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Left His Home in HEAVEN to Save Us.” “Great job, kids! You did it!”



Big Question 9
Tell Me More
Song



Jesus is God's Son. He always lived with God, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, enjoying the closest, most wonderful love. But Jesus chose to leave His home in heaven to be our Savior, here, in this world of sin and death. This was God's plan to save His people. Only Jesus' perfect life could pay for their sins. So, Jesus died on the cross to save them, then rose from the dead, proving He'd done it. We can be God's people, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind"

Luke 1-2; John 1,6



"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 Lover Who Left It All Behind.' Listen for who loved God's people so much that He left the most wonderful home ever to save them."

"The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind" Luke 1-2; John 1,6

more depth
for
older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the lover? Whom did He love?
2. What did He leave behind, and why?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

John 6:38, ESV

"For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me."

1. Whose will (plan) did Jesus come down from heaven to do?
2. What was the plan, and did Jesus do it?

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

Something to Grow Into



1. One night, long ago, baby Jesus was born to Mary in Bethlehem. Jesus chose to leave behind the Perfect Wonderfulness of heaven with God, His Father, and the Holy Spirit. Why? To carry out God's great plan to save His people on earth. And this was the only way to do it.



2. When Jesus grew up, He taught the people about God and did amazing things by God's power. Soon, big crowds came to Jesus. They followed Him wherever He went, even up into the lonely mountains on the other side of the Sea of Galilee.



3. Over five thousand people gathered there with Jesus. They stayed so long that they ran out of food. “Grumble! Grumble!” went thousands of hungry stomachs. “We need food,” said thousands of hungry mouths, but only a boy’s two fish and five loaves of bread were found to feed them.



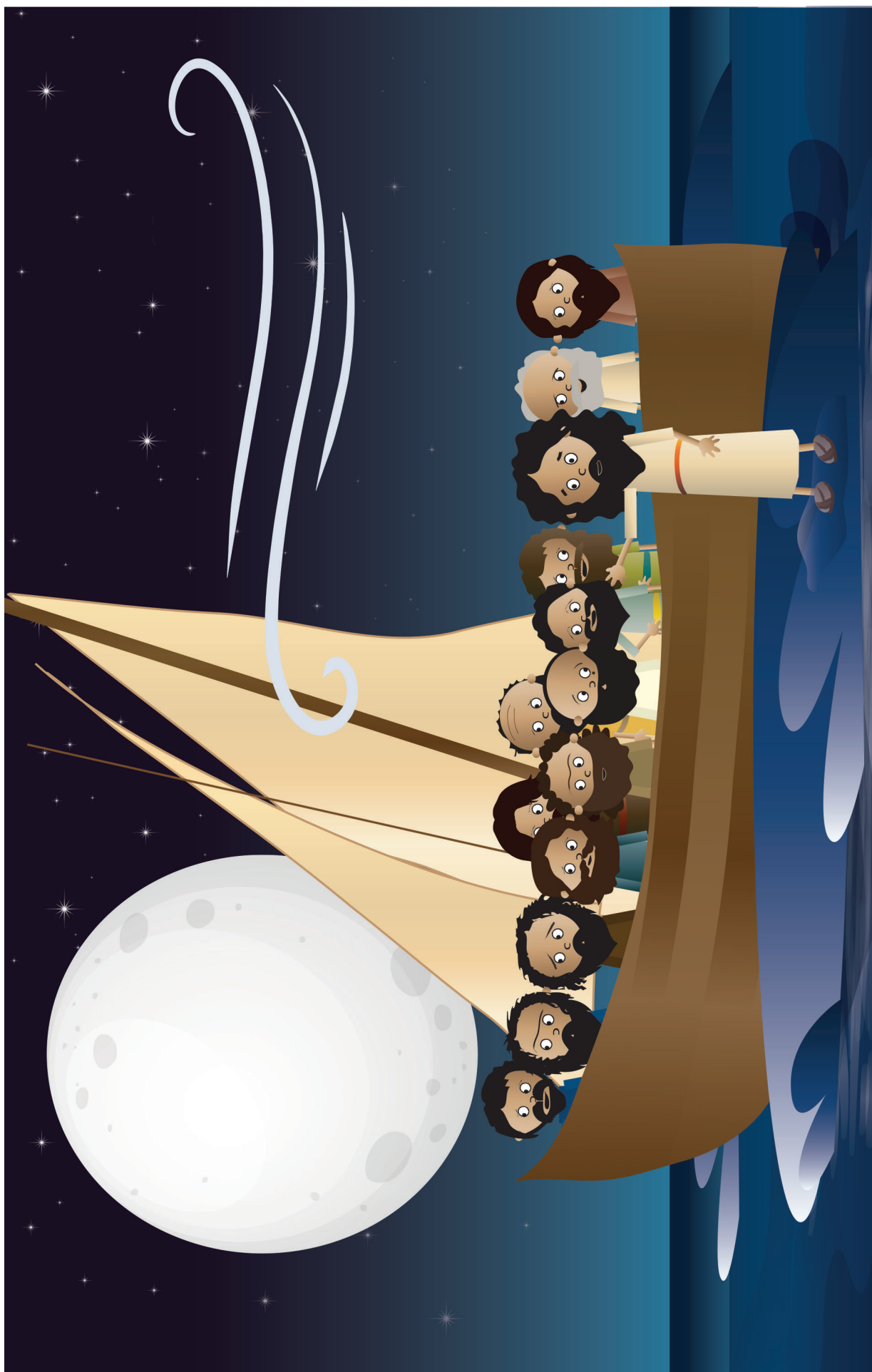
4. That little bit of fish and bread could never feed thousands of grumbly stomachs ...or could it? Jesus took the fish and bread, gave thanks to God, His Father, then gave it to the crowds to eat. By God's amazing power, the fish and bread fed everyone full, with twelve baskets of leftovers!



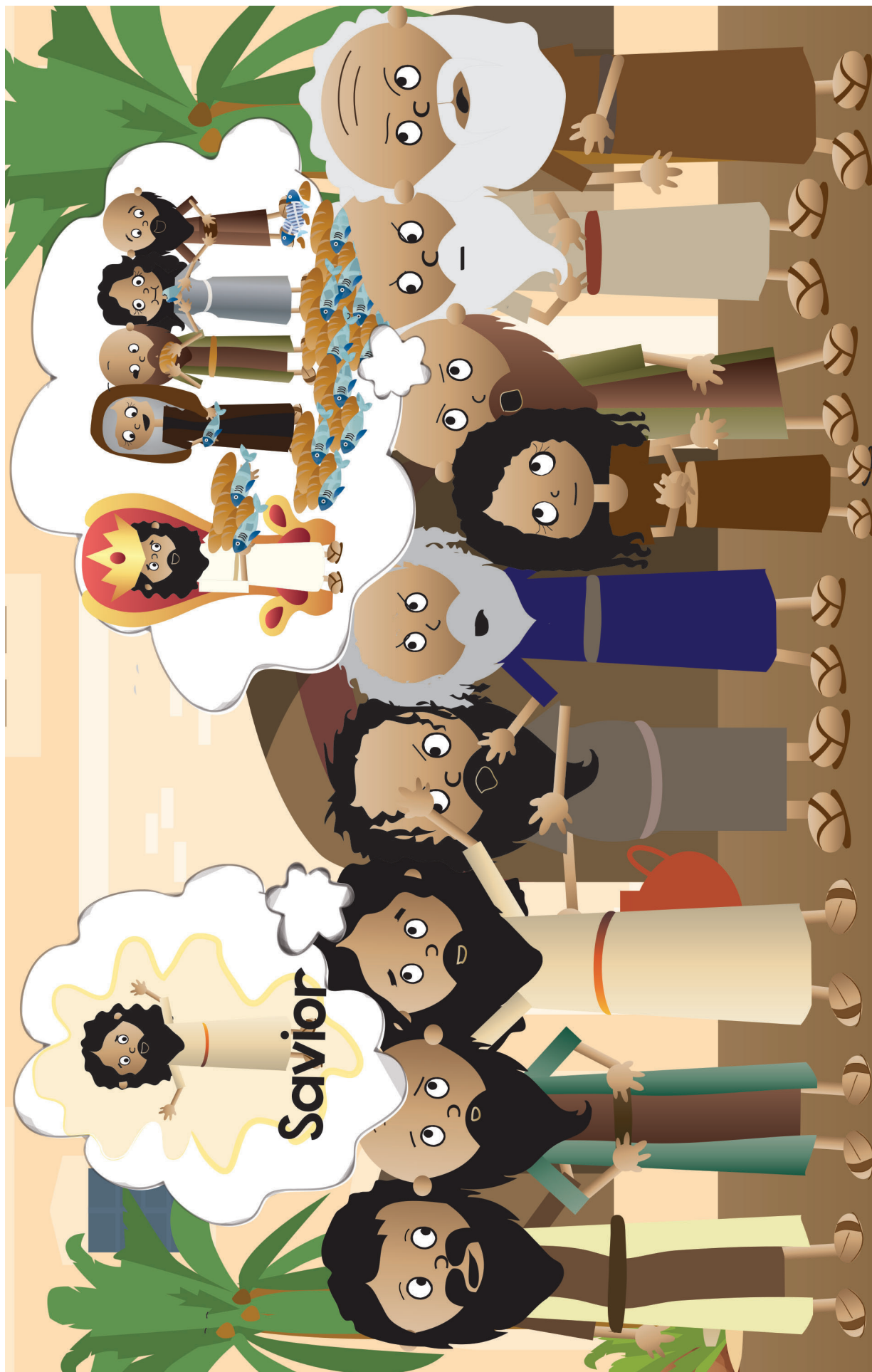
5. Now, the crowd was really excited. "Jesus must be the leader God promised to send us," the people thought. "Let's make him our king." Jesus had given them bread from heaven. What other good things might He give them, by God's power? They wanted Jesus to give them the good life.



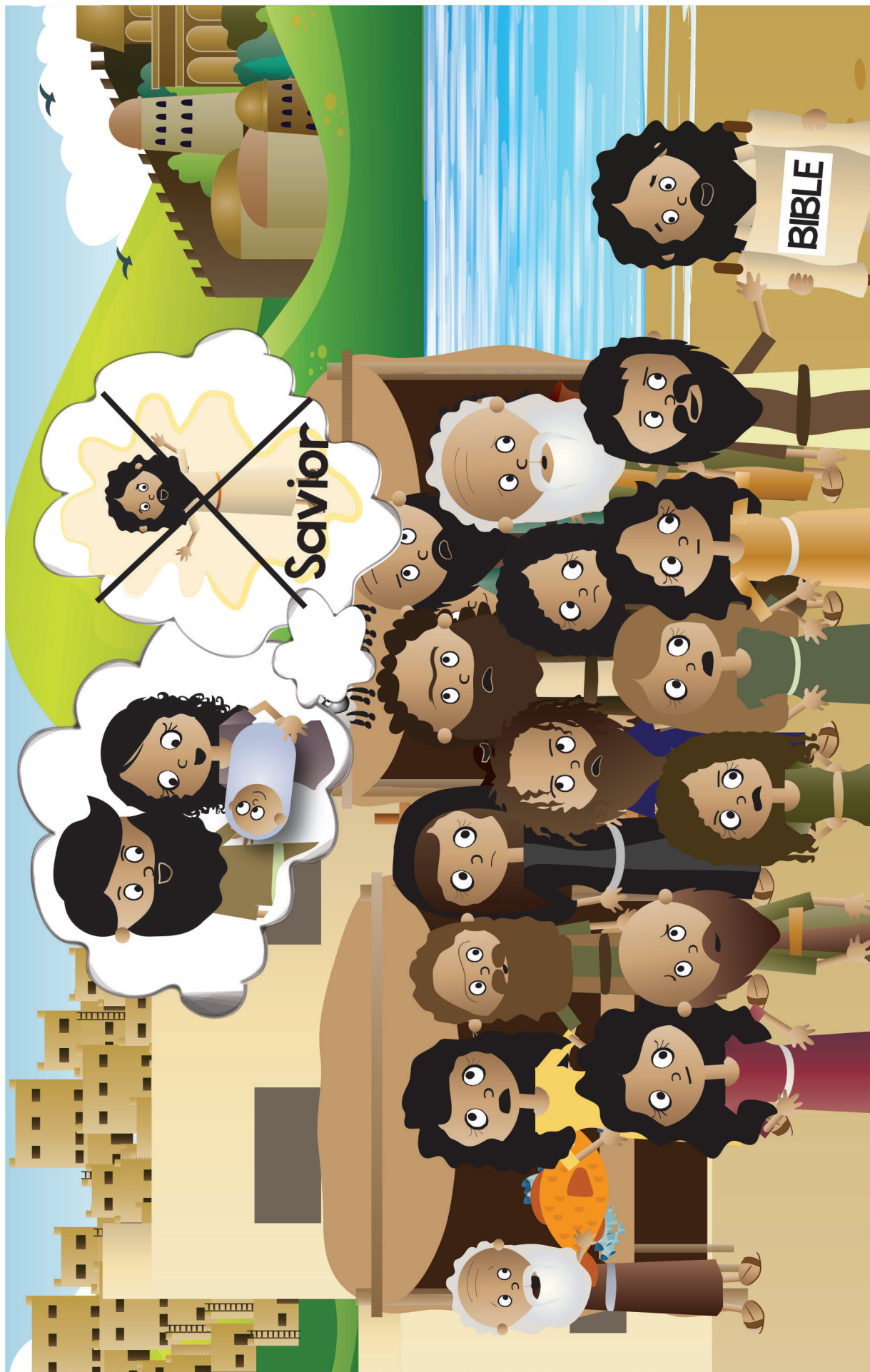
6. Jesus knew what the people were thinking, and they had it wrong. He hadn't come down from heaven to give them more good things for life here. He had come to save them from sin and death, so they could have life with God as God's people forever. **THAT** would be best of all.



7. Jesus left the crowd and that night joined His disciples as they sailed back to Capernaum. The next day, the crowd sailed back to find Him. Oh, how they wanted the good food and the good life here on earth that Jesus had the power to give them, if He was their king!



8. But Jesus refused. "God is giving you something from heaven that's even better than bread for your bellies," Jesus explained. "I am the bread of LIFE! God has sent Me from heaven to be Your Savior, so you can have wonderful life with God as His people FOREVER," Jesus said.



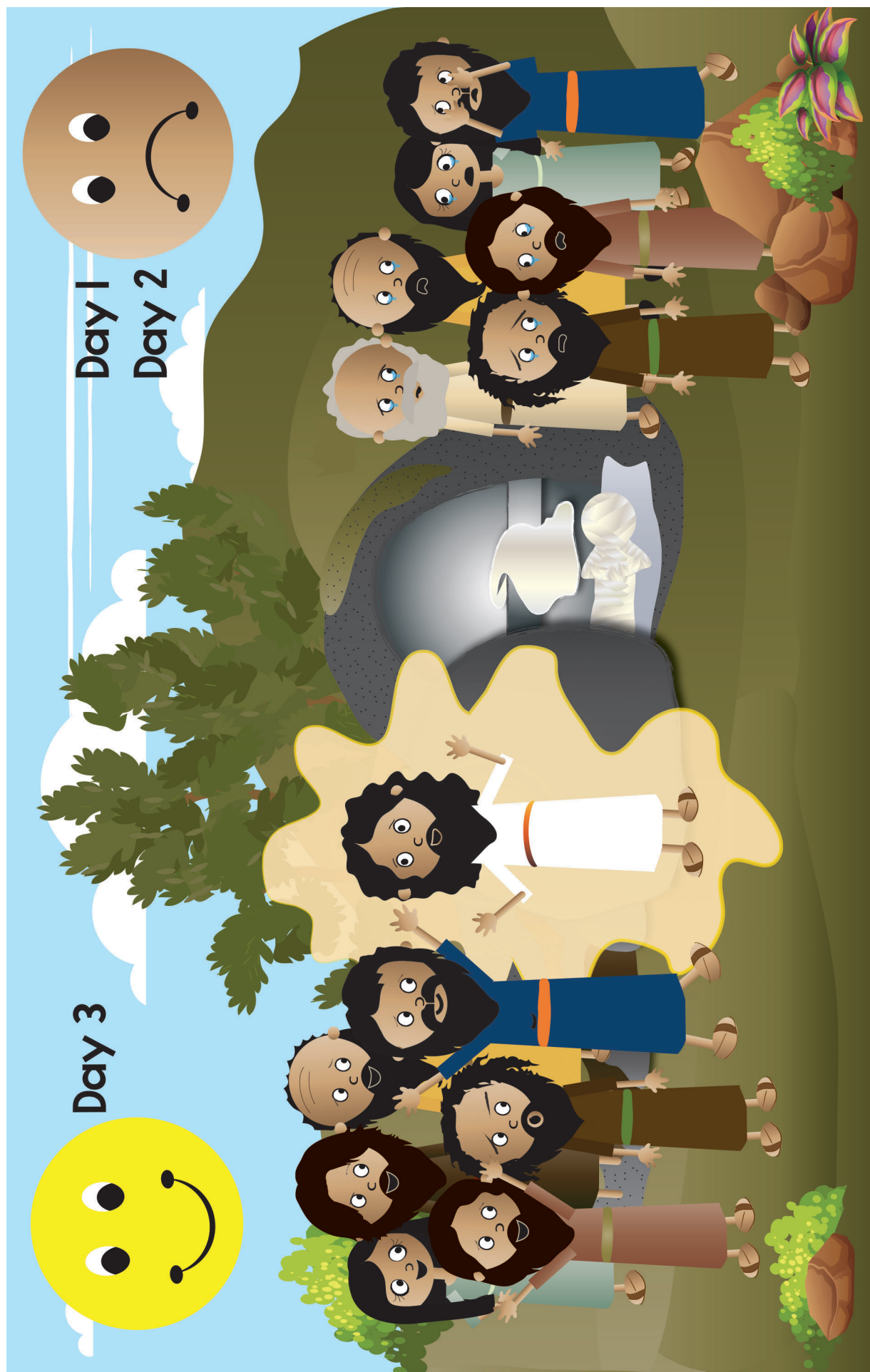
9. The people didn't like Jesus' answer. "How can Jesus say He came from heaven?" they grumbled. "We know He's the son of Joseph and Mary. Jesus is just a fake!" they decided and left Him. Only Jesus' disciples stayed. "Will you leave Me, too?" Jesus asked them.



10. No, they wouldn't! "How can we leave You?" they said to Jesus. "Where else would we go? We know and believe that You are the Holy One of God. God has sent You to save His people from their sins," they told Him.



II. And Jesus' disciples were right, weren't they? For on just the right day, Jesus died on the cross to give His perfect life as the full payment for the God's people's sins.



12. Then on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus had come down from heaven to do God's will and save God's people, and He did it! He had beaten sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

"The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind"

Q: "Who loved God's people so much that He left the most wonderful home ever to save them?"

plenty for
younger
kids



JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...

He Left His Home in Heaven to Save Us.

A: "Jesus, God's Son, left His wonderful home in heaven to be the Savior we needed."

"The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind" Luke 1-2; John 1,6

SOLVED

more depth
for
older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the lover? Whom did He love?
Jesus was the lover. He loved God and He loved sinners, like you and me.
2. What did He leave behind, and why?
Jesus left behind the Perfect Wonderfulness of life with God, the Father, and God, the Holy Spirit, in heaven. He left it behind, so He could be our Savior.

For You and Me:
How amazing that Jesus would choose to leave people who lived long ago. Jesus didn't just come to earth to save people who lived long ago. He even came to save people from every time and place. He even came to save us! How can we be saved? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.

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older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

John 6:38, ESV

"For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me."

1. Whose will (plan) did Jesus come down from heaven to do?
God's plan.
2. What was the plan, and did Jesus do it?
God's plan was for Jesus to be our Savior. Yes, He did!

For You and Me:

How amazing that Jesus would choose to leave His home in heaven to come to be our Savior! How amazing that He would suffer and die on the cross in the place of God's sinful people! But that's exactly what He did. And He rose from the dead on the third day, proving He had really done it! We, too, can become God's people when 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 Left His Home in Heaven to Save Us!

The Gospel

How great is God's love for His sinful people! He sent Jesus, His own Son, to live a perfect life and offer it as the full payment for their sins. He suffered the punishment they deserved as He suffered and died on the cross.

It sounds too good to be true, but it IS true! How do we know? Because on the third day, Jesus rose up from the grave, proving He had really beaten sin and death for God's people. He had come down from heaven to do God's will, and He had done it!

Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior are forgiven their sins. They get to be God's dearly-loved people forever. This is how we can become God's people, too. Ask God to help you.
He loves to do this!

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older kids



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, for Your great love. You
chose to leave heaven to be our Savior.**

**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.**

In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.



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ACTS Prayer Song

Something to Grow Into

A Prayer

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A Jesus, we praise You for choosing to leave the Perfect Wonderfulness of heaven to be our Savior. You came to bring us to God.

C Jesus, we are all sinners who deserve God's punishment. We could never be God's people on our own. Only You could bring us to God.

T Thank You, Jesus, for dying on the cross to save all who turn away from their sins and trust in You as their Savior.

S Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from our sins. Help us to trust in You as our Savior. Help us to tell others about You.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song

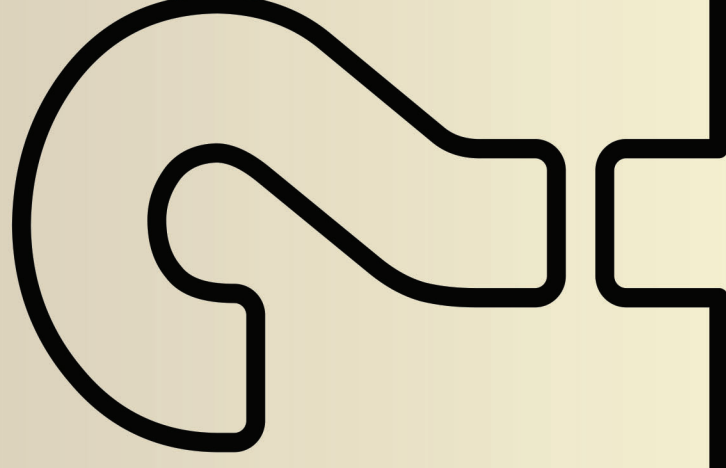
A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!)



“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!



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

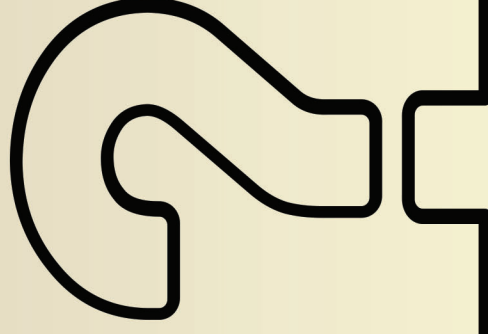
In the beginning, people enjoyed
Perfect fellowship with God.
But they disobeyed, their fellowship lost.
Would things always stay this way?
Refrain

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 I Bible Verse Song:

Down, Down, Down: John 6:38

Down, down, down,

I have come down,

Down, down, down,

I have come down.

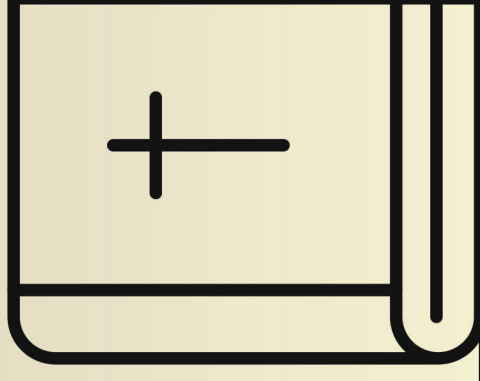
I've come down from heaven,

Not to do my own will,

But the will of him,

Of him, who sent me. (Repeat)

John Six, thirty-eight.



"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;
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord.

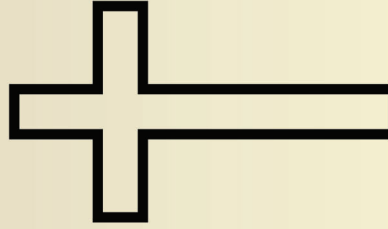


"Let's praise the Lord sending Jesus to bring people like us to God!"

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.



Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 9, Bible Truth 1

The Case of the Lover Who Left It All Behind *Luke 1-2; John 1,6*

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

1. One night, long ago, baby Jesus was born to Mary in Bethlehem. Jesus chose to leave behind the Perfect Wonderfulness of heaven with God, His Father, and the Holy Spirit. Why? To carry out God's great plan to save His people on earth. And this was the only way to do it.
2. When Jesus grew up, He taught the people about God and did amazing things by God's power. Soon, big crowds came to Jesus. They followed Him wherever He went, even up into the lonely mountains on the other side of the Sea of Galilee.
3. Over five thousand people gathered there with Jesus. They stayed so long that they ran out of food. "Grumble! Grumble!" went thousands of hungry stomachs. "We need food," said thousands of hungry mouths, but only a boy's two fish and five loaves of bread were found to feed them.
4. That little bit of fish and bread could never feed thousands of grumbly stomachs ...or could it? Jesus took the fish and bread, gave thanks to God, His Father, then gave it to the crowds to eat. By God's amazing power, the fish and bread fed everyone full, with twelve baskets of leftovers!
5. Now, the crowd was really excited. "Jesus must be the leader God promised to send us," the people thought. "Let's make him our king." Jesus had given them bread from heaven. What other good things might He give them, by God's power? They wanted Jesus to give them the good life.
6. Jesus knew what the people were thinking, and they had it wrong. He hadn't come down from heaven to give them more good things for life here. He had come to save them from sin and death, so they could have life with God as God's people forever. THAT would be best of all.
7. Jesus left the crowd and that night joined His disciples as they sailed back to Capernaum. The next day, the crowd sailed back to find Him. Oh, how they wanted the good food and the good life here on earth that Jesus had the power to give them, if He was their king!
8. But Jesus refused. "God is giving you something from heaven that's even better than bread for your bellies," Jesus explained. "I am the bread of LIFE! God has sent Me from heaven to be Your Savior, so you can have wonderful life with God as His people FOREVER," Jesus said.
9. The people didn't like Jesus' answer. "How can Jesus say He came from heaven?" they grumbled. "We know He's the son of Joseph and Mary. Jesus is just a fake!" they decided and left Him. Only Jesus' disciples stayed. "Will you leave Me, too?" Jesus asked them.
10. No, they wouldn't! "How can we leave You?" they said to Jesus. "Where else would we go? We know and believe that You are the Holy One of God. God has sent You to save His people from their sins," they told Him.
11. And Jesus' disciples were right, weren't they? For on just the right day, Jesus died on the cross to give His perfect life as the full payment for the God's people's sins.
12. Then on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus had come down from heaven to do God's will and save God's people, and He did it! He had beaten sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #9, Bible Truth 2:
The Case of the Man Who Never Said "No"**



"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."



"Deep Down Detectives! This is your second of six missions in this Big Question. Look for your clue in my bowtie. 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: "What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Never, Ever ??? God. Hebrews 4:15." Hint: "What's the opposite of "obeyed"?"

Hebrews

4:15

**“Jesus has
been
tempted**

**in every
way, yet
was without
sin.”**



Jesus Has Been
Tempted
Hebrews 4:15

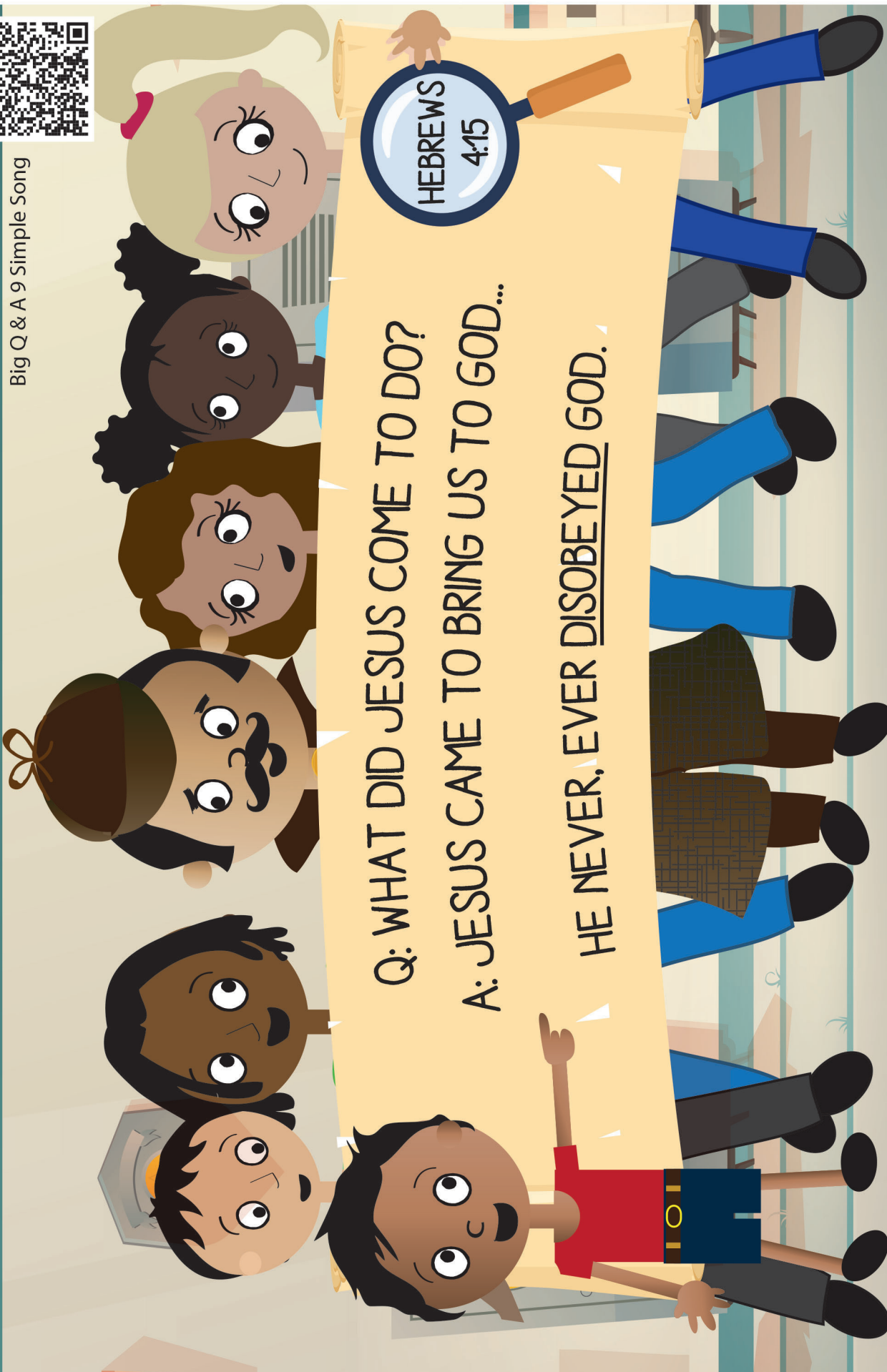
The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Hebrews 4:15, and read: “Jesus has been tempted in every way, yet was without sin.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this second truth about what Jesus came to do?" he asked. "We think so! Sin is a Bible word that means disobeying God. Jesus was tempted to disobey God in every way, but He never did."



Big Q & A 9 Simple Song



"Our Big Question is: What Did Jesus Come to Do? And the answer is: Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Never, Ever DISOBEYED God. "Great job, kids! You did it!"



“Jesus always obeyed God, His Father, even when it was very hard. Many times, Jesus was tempted to disobey God, but He never did. He was perfect. It’s so good that Jesus didn’t sin. Only His perfect life would be enough to be full payment for God’s people’s sins. On the cross, Jesus gave His life for theirs. Then, on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He’d saved them. We can be God’s people, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.”



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Man Who Never Said No"

The Gospels; Hebrews 4



"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 Man Who Never Said "No." Listen for who never said no to God and why that was so important."

"The Case of the Man Who Never Said 'No'" The Gospels; Hebrews 4

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for
older kids



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the Man? To whom did He never say "no"?
2. Why was it so important that He never said "no"?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Hebrews 4:15, ESV

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

1. Who was tempted in every way as we are but never sinned?
2. What could He do for us because He never sinned?

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

Something to Grow Into



1. Long ago in Bethlehem, baby Jesus was born. Every baby is special, but there was something that made Jesus the most special baby of all. The angels sang the good news: This was God's Son, come to save God's people from their sins, just as God promised He would.

Perfect Law Keeper

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the

Perfect Payment for Sins



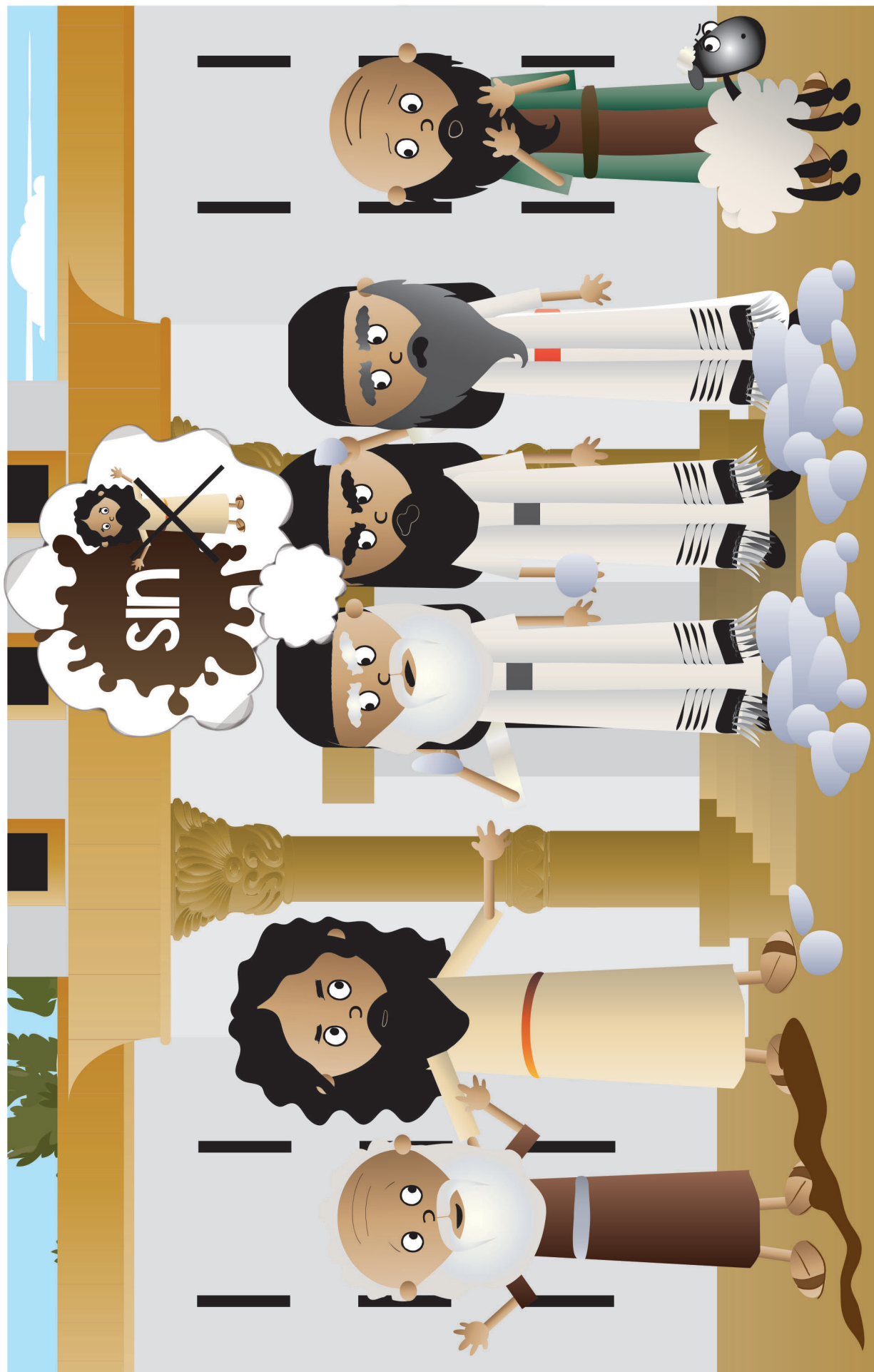
2. Jesus would have to do something that no one had ever done, if He were to save God's people: He would have to never disobey God. He would have to always keep all of God's laws. Only if Jesus was perfectly good could His life save them. Nothing less than perfect would do.



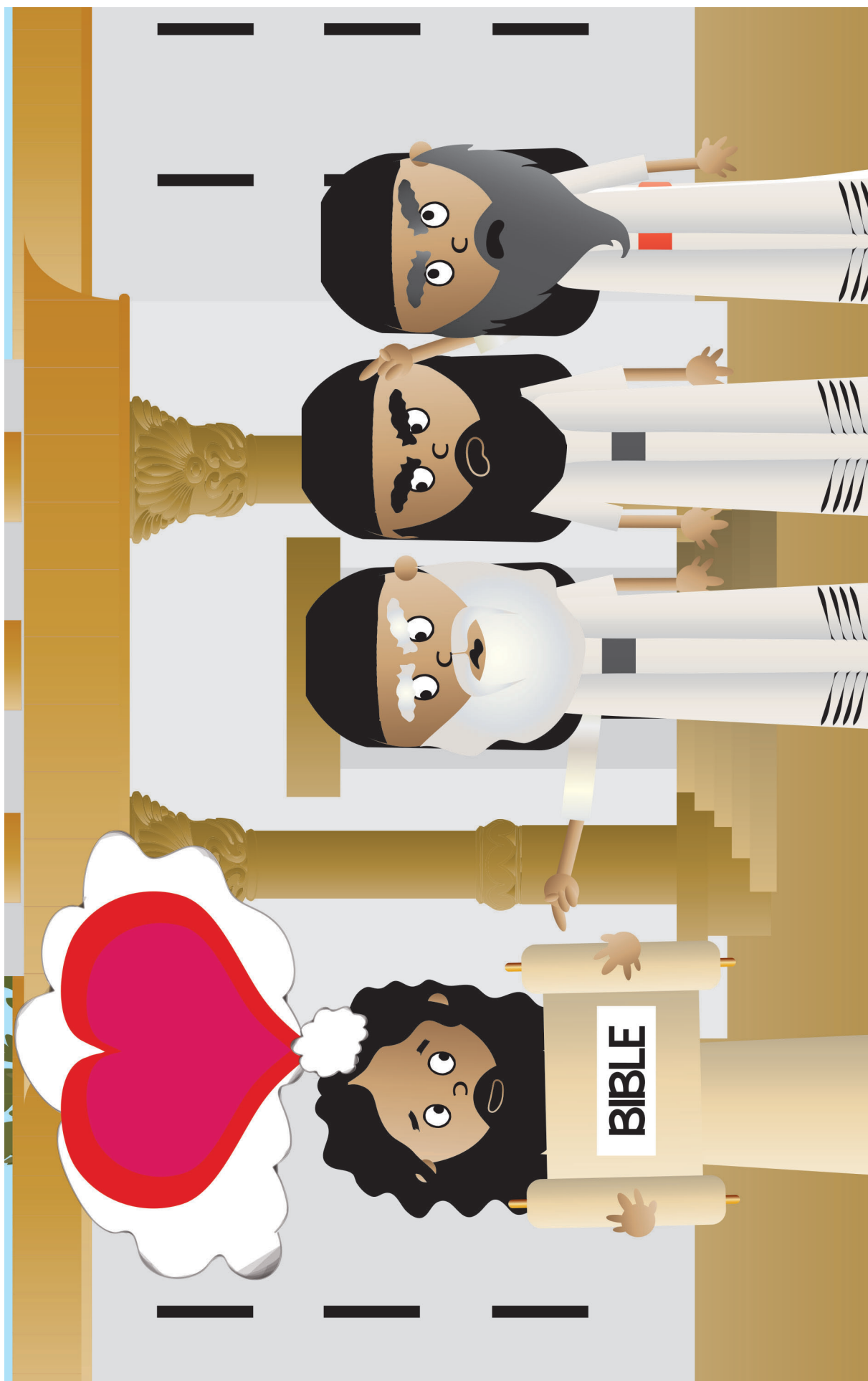
3. God's great enemy, Satan, wanted Jesus to fail. He didn't want God's people to be saved. He wanted to spoil God's good plans. He came to Jesus, out in the wilderness, to tempt Him to disobey God.



4. "Worship me instead of God, and I'll give you the world," Satan promised. "Everyone will worship You if you bow down to me." But Jesus said, "Go away, Satan! I'm only going to worship God, My Father." Jesus would be the perfect Savior. He would keep to God's good plan.



5. Satan wasn't the only one who tempted Jesus to disobey God. Sometimes, people said hateful lies to Jesus. "You aren't God's Son! You are just like Satan, God's enemy! You do bad things, and You should die," they told Him.



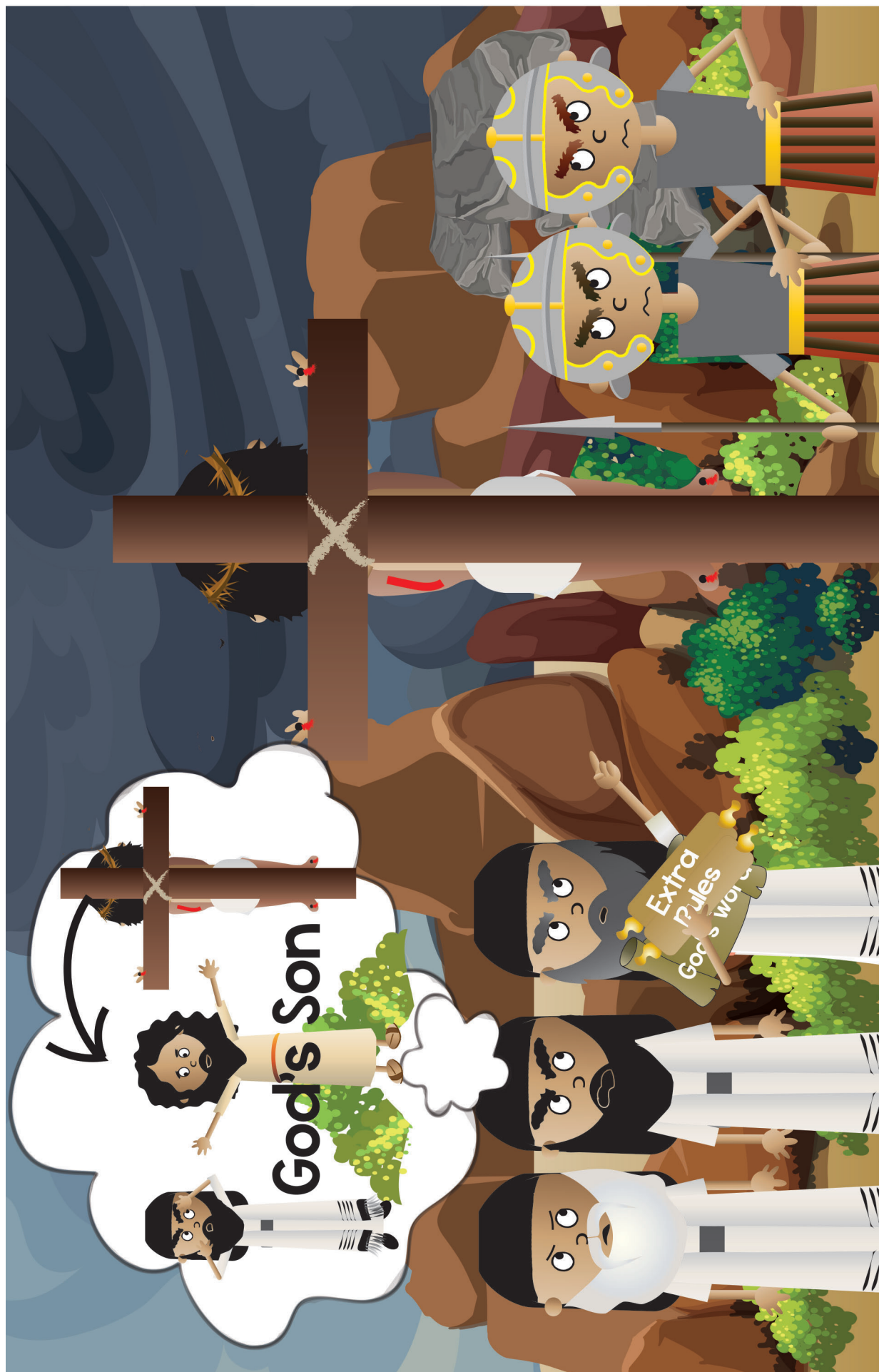
6. It would be easy to sin and hate them back, but Jesus did not. He kept loving them. He taught them truths from God's Word, so they might turn away from their sins and trust in Him as their Savior. Jesus wanted to please God and be the perfect Savior for God's people.



7. Crowds of people came to Jesus. "Heal us, teach us, Jesus!" they pleaded. Sometimes, Jesus would get so tired from caring for them. But He never got grumpy and sent them away. He kept on loving them. Jesus wanted to please God and be the perfect Savior for God's people.



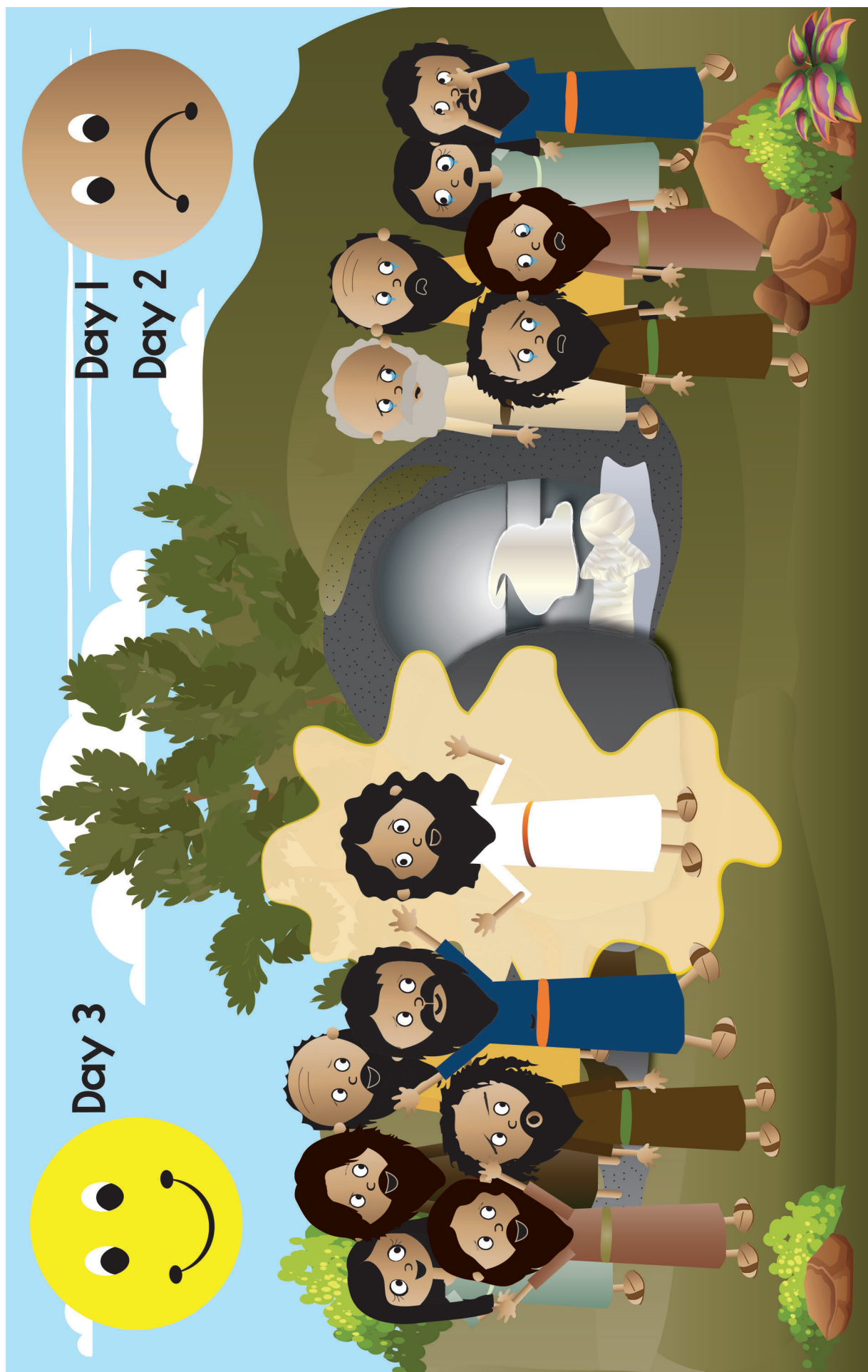
8. Sometimes, people wanted to make Jesus their king. Jesus could have a big palace and lots of people to serve Him. That would be much easier than suffering and dying on the cross, as God planned. But Jesus said, "No." He kept to God's plan. This was the only way to save God's people.



9. Even on the cross, Jesus' enemies tempted Jesus to disobey God. "You say you're God's Son. Prove it! Let HIM save you! Come down from the cross, if that's who you really are!" they shouted at Him. But Jesus stayed on the cross. Only there, could He save God's people.



10. "It is finished," Jesus said, as died on the cross. And so, it was. Jesus had done it! He had never disobeyed God, from the day He was born to the day He died. And there on that cross, He had given His perfect life as the full payment for the sins of God's people. He had saved them.



II. Jesus died that day, but on Day Three, He rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you.

"The Case of the Man Who Never Said No"

Q: "Who never said no to God and why was that so important?"

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kids

IT IS FINISHED!



JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...

He Never, Ever Disobeyed God.

A: "Jesus never said no to God., so He could be the perfect Savior we needed."

"The Case of the Man Who Never Said 'No'" The Gospels; Hebrews 4

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who was the Man? To whom did He never say "no"? Jesus was the man. He never said "no" to God, His Father. Jesus always obeyed Him and His good laws.

2. Why was it so important that He never said "no"? Only by perfectly obeying God and His good laws could Jesus be the perfect Savior to save God's people from their sins.

For You and Me:

Just like those people who lived in Jesus' day, we need a Savior to save us from our sins. Jesus came to be that Savior. He will be our Savior, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Him. Ask God to help you. He loves to do this!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Hebrews 4:15, ESV

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin."

1. Who was tempted in every way as we are but never sinned? Jesus.
2. What could He do for us because He never sinned? He could be our perfect Savior and save us from our sins.

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Just like those people who lived in Jesus' day, we need a Savior to save us from our sins. Jesus came to be that Savior. He will be our Savior, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Him. Ask God to help you. He loves to do this!

Something to Grow Into

What Did Jesus Come to Do?
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God...
He Never, Ever Disobeyed God!

The Gospel

We have all disobeyed God. We deserve His punishment, not to be His people. Yet God, in His mercy, sent Jesus to make the way for people like us to become God's people. He came and lived a perfect life. He never disobeyed God. Then, on the cross, He gave His perfect life as the full payment for the sins of God's people.

Jesus was died and buried that day. But on Day Three, He rose from the dead, proving He had beaten sin and death for God's people.

Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior are forgiven their sins. They get to be God's people forever. This is how we can become God's people, too. Ask God to help you.
He loves to do this!

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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, for Your perfect life. You never disobeyed God, Your Father.

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.

In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.



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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 always saying 'no' to sin. You are the perfect One who never, ever sinned!

C Jesus, You never disobeyed God, Your Father, but we are not like You. We have all chosen to disobey God and His good ways. Oh, how we need You to be our Savior!

T Thank You, Jesus, for living a perfect life. Thank You for offering it up as the full payment for the sins of all who turn from their sins and trust in You as their Savior.

S Jesus, help us each to turn away from our sins and trust in You as our very own Savior. Help us to say 'no' to disobeying God. Help us to love You more and live for You more

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song

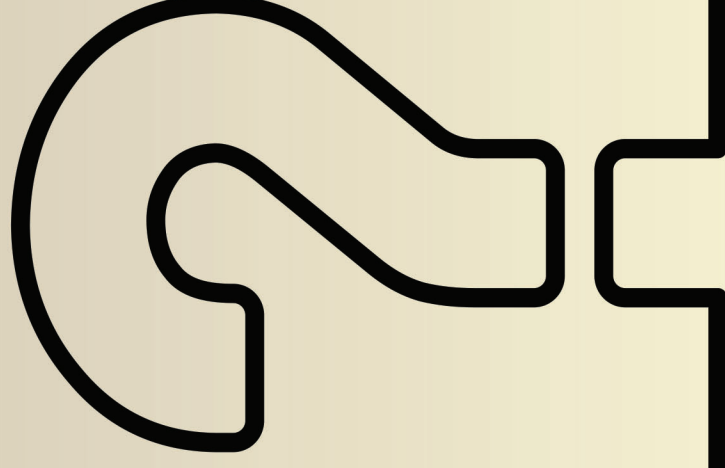
A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!)



“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!



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

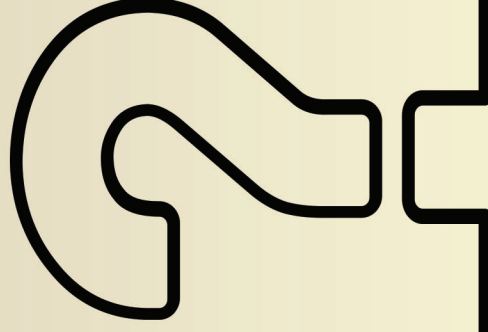
In the beginning, people enjoyed
Perfect fellowship with God.
But they disobeyed, their fellowship lost.
Would things always stay this way?
Refrain

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

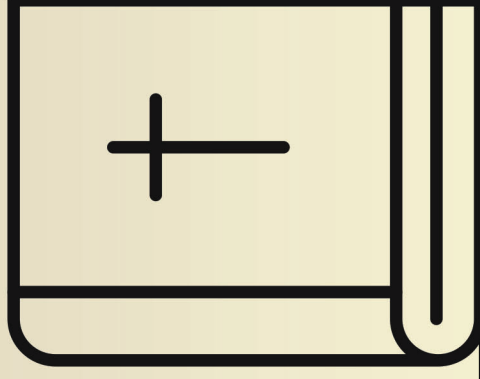
On the third day, Jesus rose from the grave,
Then He went back home to heav'n.
Now all who repent and believe in Him,
Can know God forever.
Refrain



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

**Big Question #9, Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse Song:
Jesus Has Been Tempted: Hebrews 4:15**

**Jesus has been tempted in every respect,
Jesus has been tempted in every respect,
As we are, as we are,
Yet Jesus was without sin.
Hebrews Chapter Four, fifteen.**



"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!

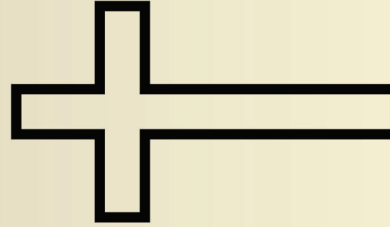
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord;
Blessed be the name,
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“Let’s praise the Lord sending Jesus to bring people like us to God!”

The Gospel Song (Short)

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Ask Him to be your Savior, too!



The Gospel Song (Full)

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if you have something to say,
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Obey your teachers,
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They help us worship God
and love one another,
These are our classroom rules.



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T, Thanksgiving: Thank You for Jesus,
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Bow head, Close your eyes,
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Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 9, Bible Truth 2

The Case of the Man Who Never Said "No" *The Gospels; Hebrews 4*

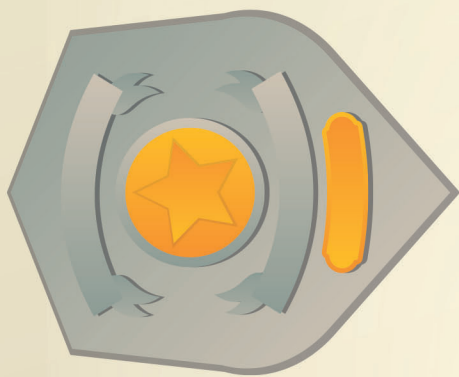
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1. Long ago in Bethlehem, baby Jesus was born. Every baby is special, but there was something that made Jesus the most special baby of all. The angels sang the good news: This was God's Son, come to save God's people from their sins, just as God promised He would.
2. Jesus would have to do something that no one had ever done, if He were to save God's people: He would have to never disobey God. He would have to always keep all of God's laws. Only if Jesus was perfectly good could His life save them. Nothing less than perfect would do.
3. God's great enemy, Satan, wanted Jesus to fail. He didn't want God's people to be saved. He wanted to spoil God's good plans. He came to Jesus, out in the wilderness, to tempt Him to disobey God.
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Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #9, Bible Truth 3:
The Case of the Eyewitness**



"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."



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



Big Q & A 9
Simple Song

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DOWN
DETECTIVES

Q: WHAT DID JESUS COME TO DO?

A: JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...

HE TAUGHT ABOUT ??? AND DID AMAZING THINGS.

MATTHEW
4:23

Hint: "Who should we worship?"

His name starts with a "G"
and it rhymes with "odd."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "What Did Jesus Come to Do? Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Taught about ??? and Did Amazing Things. Matthew 4:23." Hint: "Who should we worship? His name starts with a "G" and it rhymes with "odd."



Jesus Went Proclaimin'
Matthew 4:23

**Matthew
4:23**

**“Jesus went
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proclaiming
the gospel,
and healing
among the
people.”**

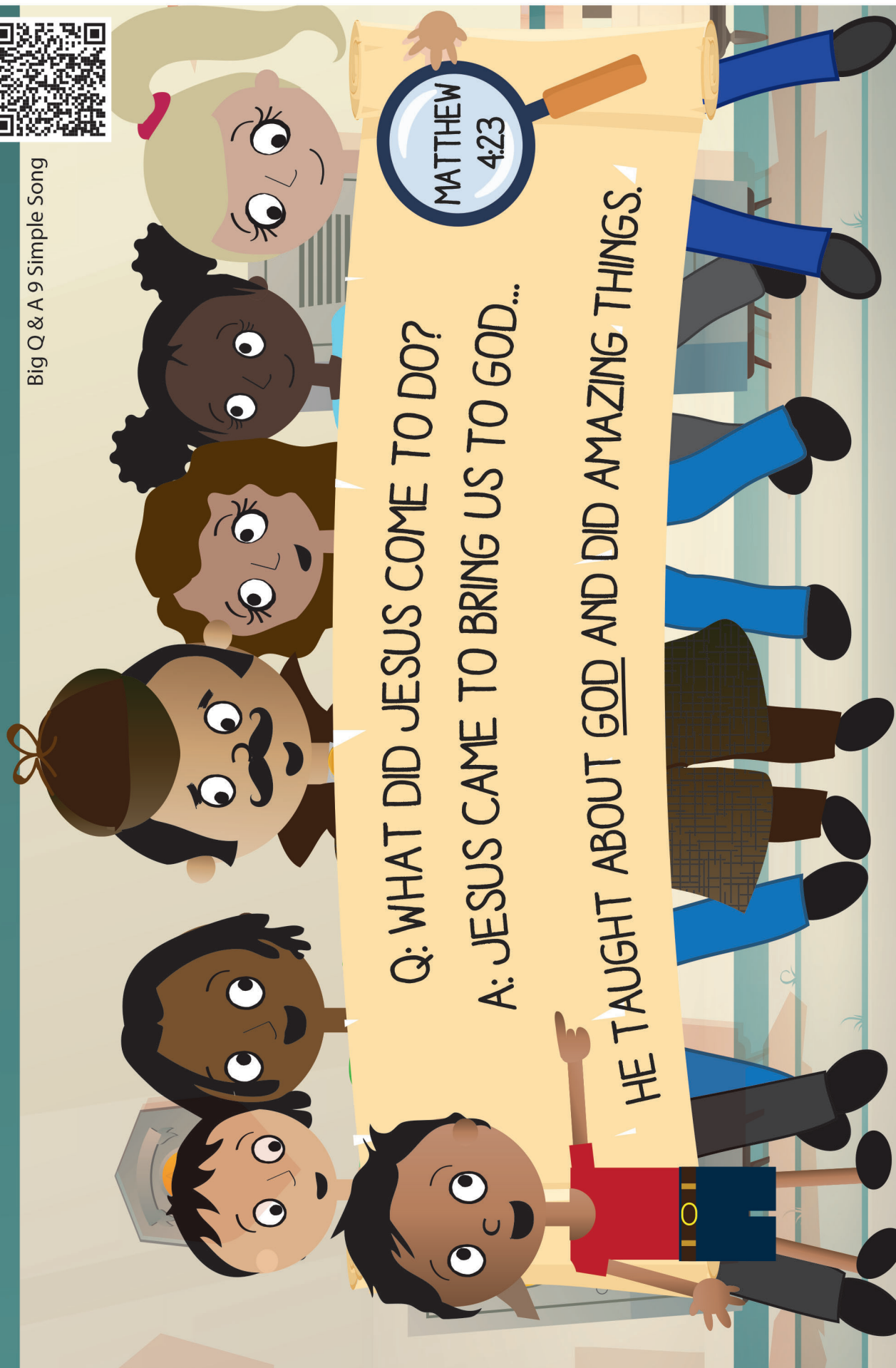
The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Matthew 4:23, and read: “Jesus went teaching, proclaiming the gospel, and healing among the people.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this third truth about what Jesus came to do?" he asked. "We think so! Jesus taught about God and how people could become God's people. He healed people and did other amazing things by God's power."



Big Q & A 9 Simple Song



“Our Big Question is: What Did Jesus Come to Do? And the answer is: Jesus Came to Bring Us to God... He Taught about GOD and Did Amazing Things. “Great job, kids! You did it!”



Big Question 9
Tell Me More
Song



“Before Jesus died on the cross, He taught the people about God and did amazing things. Jesus taught about God and His plans to save God’s people through Him, the Savior. He taught how they could become God’s people and how God’s people should live. Jesus backed up His words with God’s power to do amazing things. He stilled storms, healed sick people, and even raised the dead, by just His word-- things only God could do. These helped people trust in Jesus as God’s Son.”



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Eyewitness"

Luke 4:31ff; 5; 9:28-36; 11:23-24; John 2; 6:16-21; 11



"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 Eyewitness.' Listen for who trusted in Jesus as His Savior, as he listened to Him teach and saw Him do amazing things by God's power."

"The Case of the Eyewitness" Luke 4-6,11; John 2,6,11

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

An eyewitness is someone who knows something is true because he saw it happen.

1. Who was an eyewitness who saw what Jesus did?
2. What did this eyewitness see Jesus do that was most amazing of all?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Matthew 4:23, ESV

"Jesus went... preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people."

1. What did people think as they listened to Jesus teach?
2. What did people think as they watched Jesus heal their sicknesses?

(more listening and discussion
questions are included in the
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Something to Grow Into



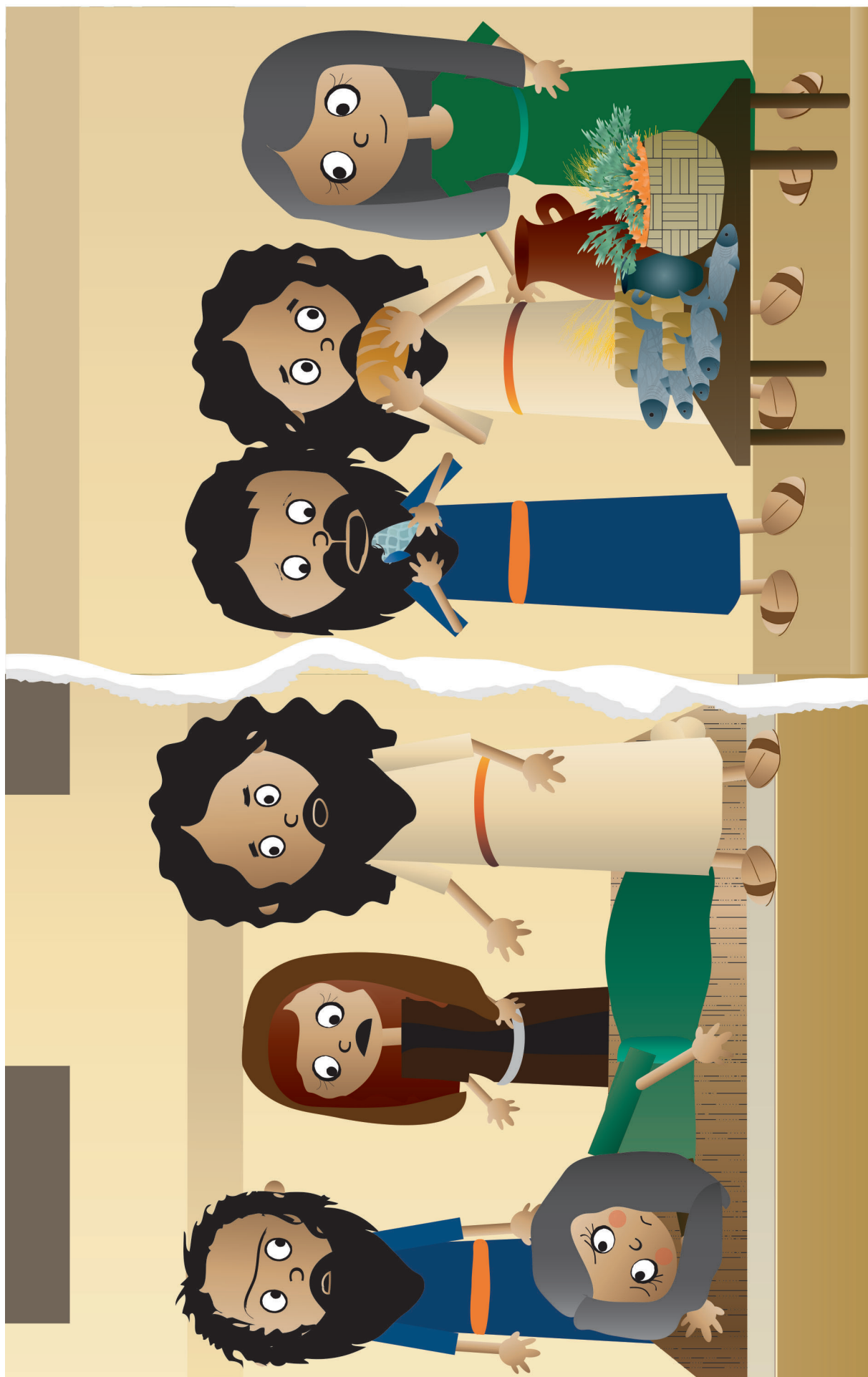
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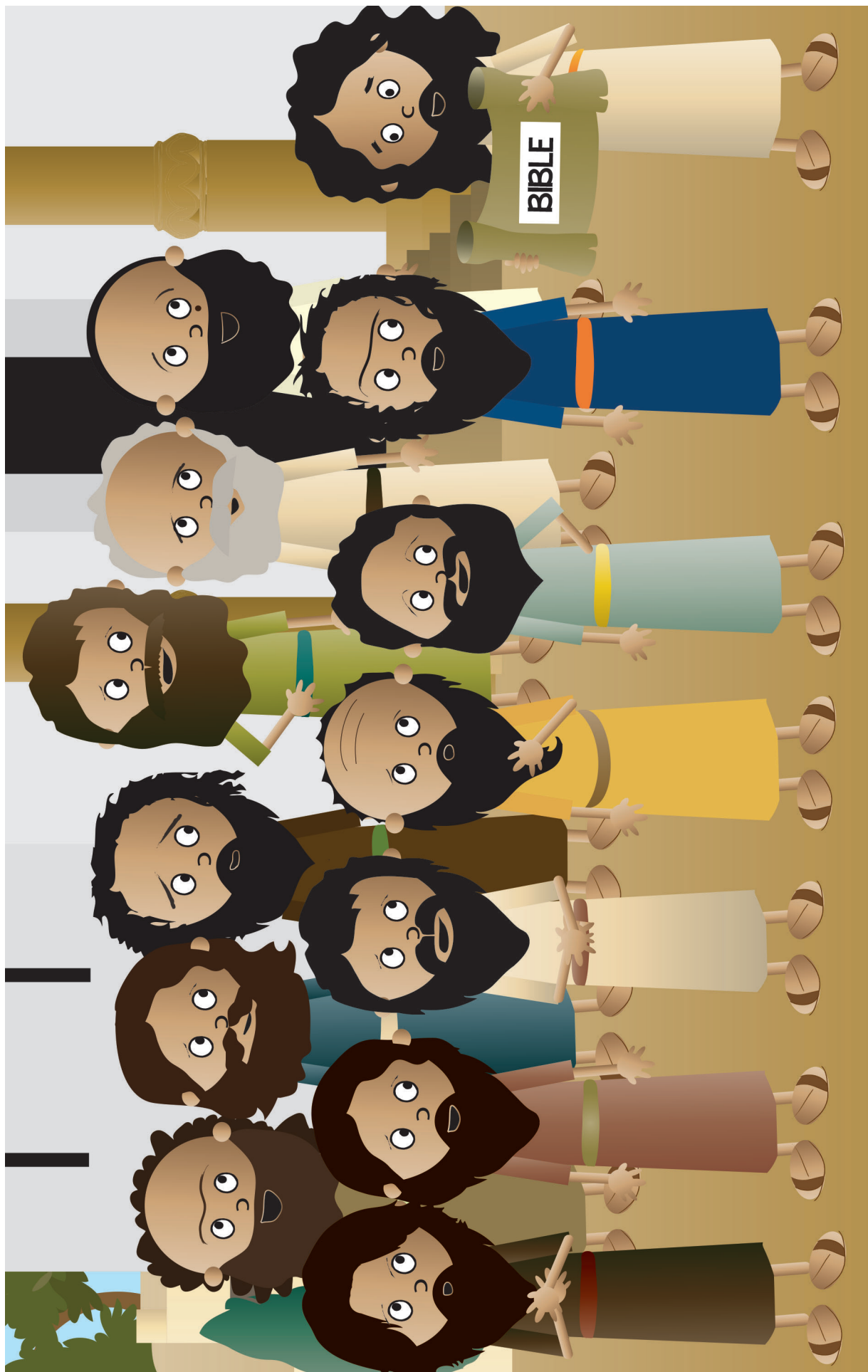
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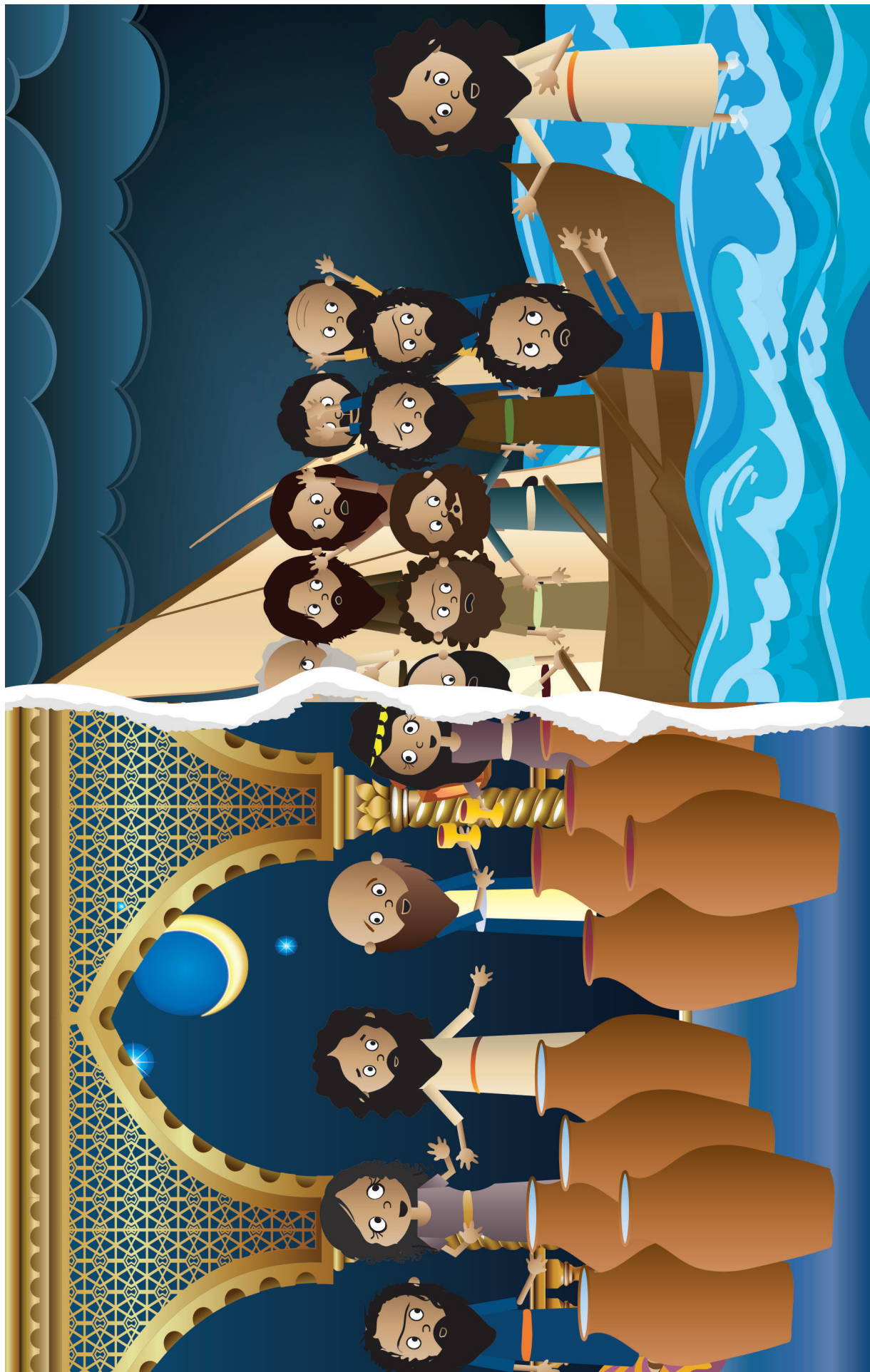
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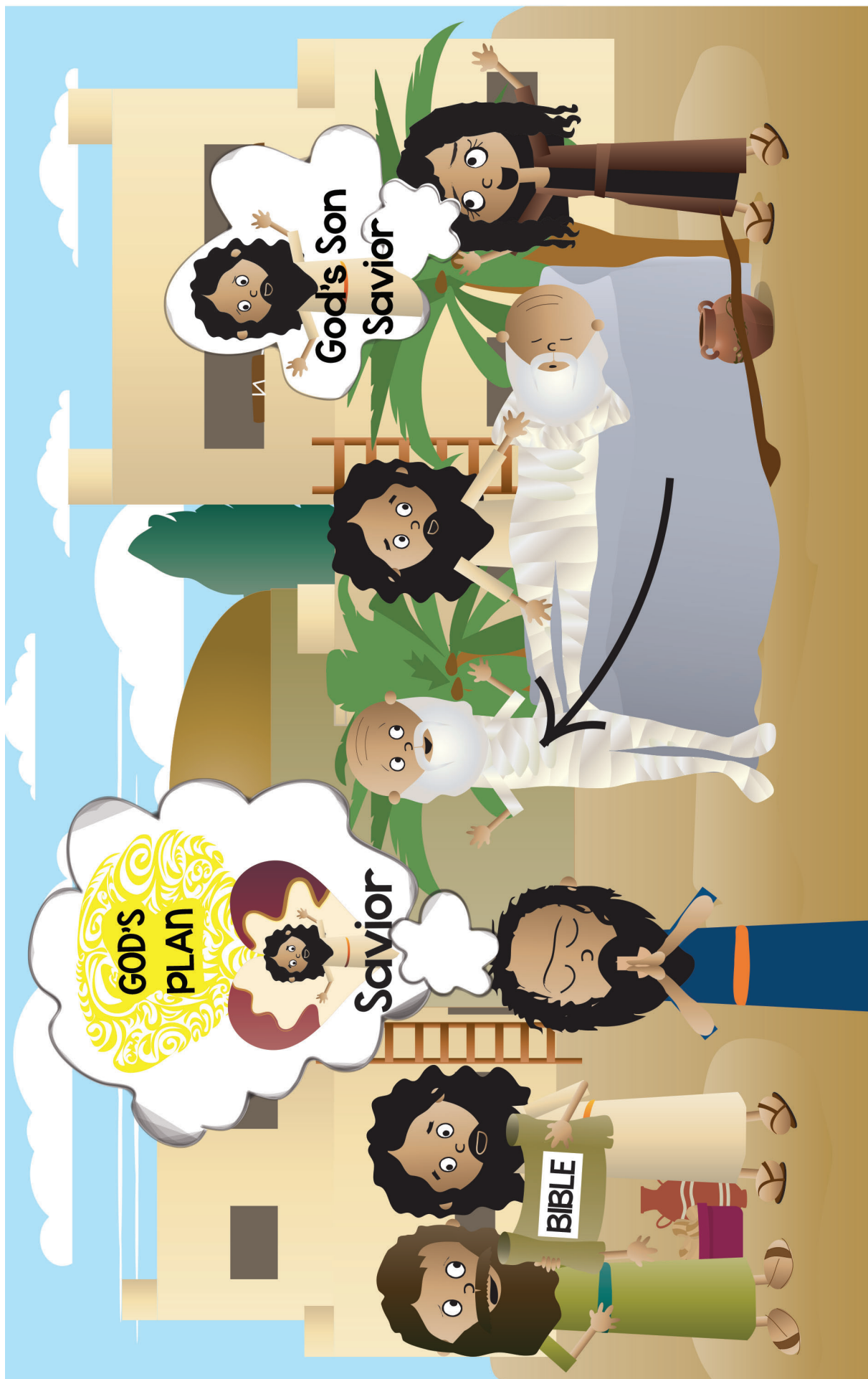
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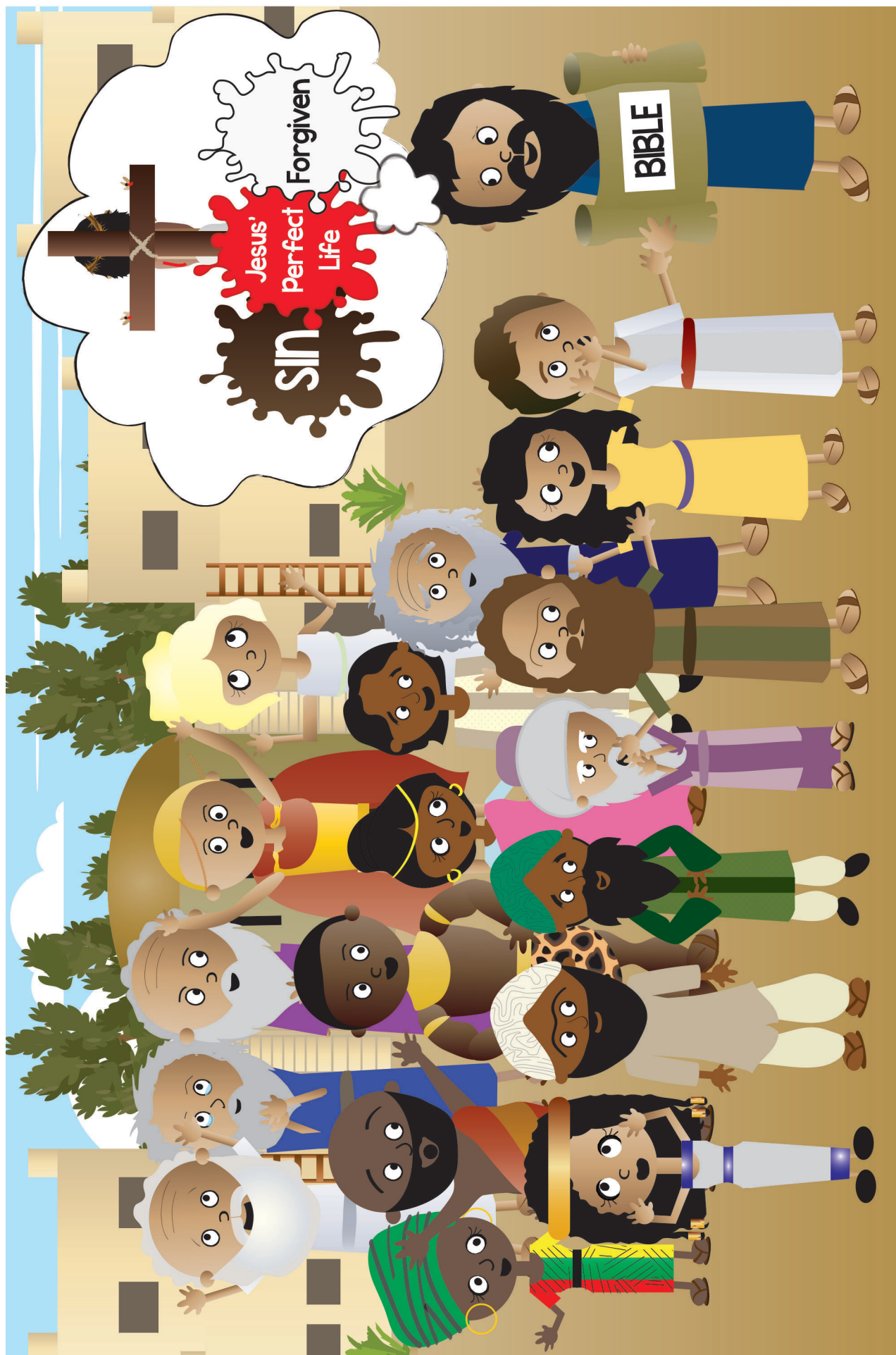
8. High up on a mountain, Peter saw Jesus shine with God's beautiful, bright glory. Later, Peter saw Jesus raise Lazarus back to life, after he had been dead for **FOUR DAYS!**



9. But most amazing of all, Peter saw Jesus die on the cross for the sins of God's people, then rise from the dead on Day Three. Jesus had really beaten sin and death for God's people.



10. As Peter heard Jesus' powerful teaching and watched Him do amazing things, God gave Peter faith to believe. Yes! Jesus WAS God's Son, the Savior come down from heaven to save them from their sins! Peter turned away from his sins and trusted in Jesus as his Savior.



II. Peter spent the rest of his life telling others the good news of Jesus. He praised God as many people heard and trusted in Jesus as their Savior, too.



Home with God forever!

12. But the best was yet to come for Peter, when he died and went to heaven. Now, Peter would live face-to-face with Jesus, once more. But this time, it would last forever.

"The Case of the Eyewitness"

Q: "Who trusted in Jesus as His Savior, as he listened to Him teach and watched Him do amazing things by God's power?"

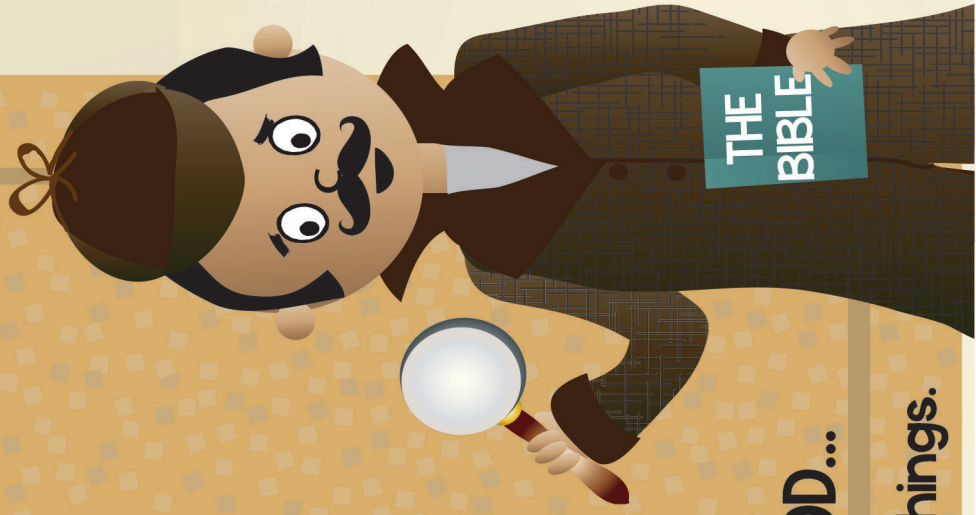


JESUS CAME TO BRING US TO GOD...

He Taught about God and Did Amazing Things.

A: "Peter did."

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

An eyewitness is someone who knows something is true because he saw it happen. I need to know:

1. Who was an eyewitness who saw what Jesus did?
Peter.
2. What did this eyewitness see Jesus do that was most amazing of all?
Peter saw Jesus die on the cross for the sins of God's people, then rise from the dead, three days later.

For You and Me:
Jesus turned from his sins and trusted in Jesus as his Savior. He spent the rest of his life loving God and living for Him. That's exactly what God wants us to do, too. Ask Him to help you. He loves to answer prayers like this!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Matthew 4:23, ESV

"Jesus went... preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people."

1. What did people think as they listened to Jesus teach? They had never heard anyone speak about God as He did.
2. What did people think as they watched Jesus heal their sicknesses?
They had never seen anyone do such amazing things by God's power as He did.

For You and Me:

Jesus taught amazing things and did amazing things, all by God's power. Why? Because He wanted people to put their trust in Him as their Savior. And that's exactly what Jesus wants us to do, as we hear about Him today. He wants us to turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. If we do, we will become God's dearly-loved people. We will get to know God now in our hearts. And one day, get to go live with Him forever.

Something to Grow Into

What Did Jesus Come to Do?
Jesus Came to Bring Us to God!
He Taught about God and Did Amazing Things!

The Gospel

What was the most amazing thing that Jesus taught about God? That God loved sinners so much that He sent Jesus to save them and make them His people! And what was the most amazing thing that Jesus did, by God's power? He lived a perfect life, and offered it to God, His Father, to pay for the sins of God's people, when He suffered and died on the cross. Then, on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, proving He had really beaten sin and death for them.

God used the amazing things Jesus taught and did to help Peter turn away from his sins and trust in Jesus as his Savior. This is how Peter became one of God's people. And, this is how we can become one of His people, too. Ask God to help you do this! He loves to answer this prayer!



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, for helping us believe in You
by what You taught and the amazing things You
did by God’s power.**

**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.**

In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.



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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 all the wonderful things You taught us about God and all the amazing things You did, by God's great power. No one is like You!

C Jesus, when we read in the Bible what You taught, we see that we are all sinners who have disobeyed God. Oh, how we need You to be our Savior!

T Thank You, Jesus, for showing us what God is like in all that You taught and all the amazing things You did. Thank You for dying on the cross to save all who 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, as we read in the Bible what You taught and all the amazing things You did.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



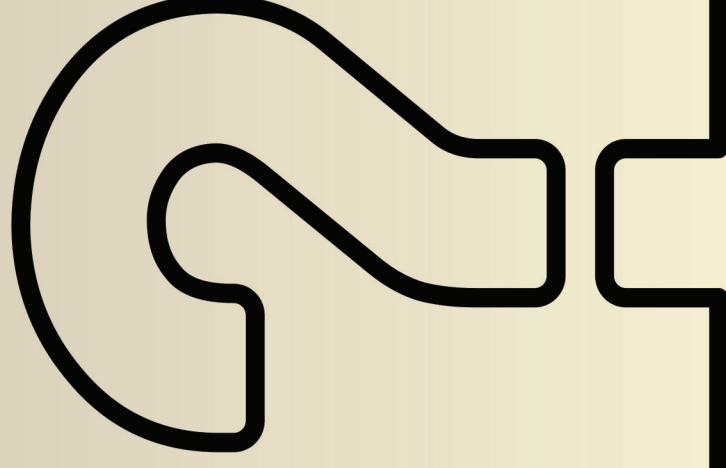
A= Adoration (God, we praise You!) C=Confession (God, forgive us!) T= Thanksgiving (Thank You, God) S=Supplication (Make us like Jesus!)



“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!



**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?
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What did Jesus come to do?
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Verse 1

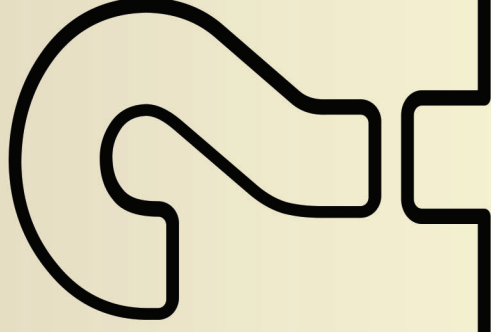
In the beginning, people enjoyed
Perfect fellowship with God.
But they disobeyed, their fellowship lost.
Would things always stay this way?
Refrain

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.

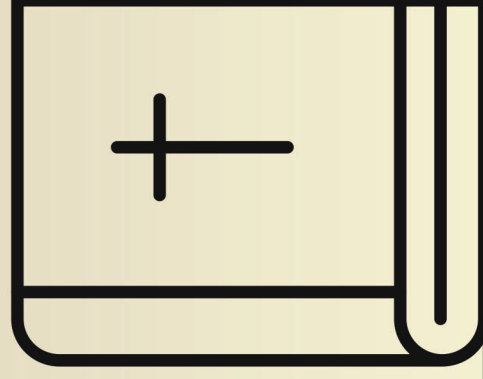
Big Question #9, Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse Song:

Jesus Went Proclaimin': Matthew 4:23

Jesus went proclaimin' the gospel of the kingdom,
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Among the people.

And what else did Jesus do?

Jesus went a-healin' every disease and every affliction,
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Among the people.
Matthew Four, twenty-three.



"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!

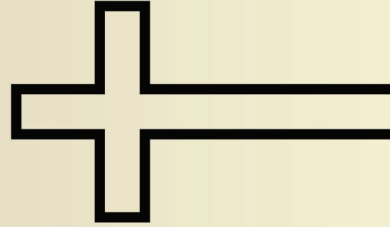
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord;
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“Let’s praise the Lord sending Jesus to bring people like us to God!”

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.



Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 9, Bible Truth 3

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