

Detective Dan's Big Question Box



Big Question #14

The Case of the Man and the Big Teeth



"Hi! Welcome to Hide 'n' Seek Kids! 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!"



Big Question
Box Song

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"Wow, look at this! It's Detective Dan's briefcase with a secret message inside for the Hide 'n' Seek Kids. Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what's inside."



"Hide 'n' Seek Kids! I've got a Big Question about God for you. It's hidden in my ID card. Read it and see if you can find the answer in God's Word. See you soon, Your Friend, Detective Dan!"



The Hide 'n' Seek Kids pulled the message out of the ID card, and read: "How Does God Want Us to Pray? Philippians 4:5,6."

**Philippians
4:5,6**

**“Do not be
anxious about
anything,**

**but in
everything by
prayer... let
your requests
be known to
God.”**



Don't Be Anxious
about Anything
Philippians 4:5,6

The kids knew what to do next! They opened up their Bible to Philippians 4:5,6, and read: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer... let your requests be known to God.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Do you have the answer to my Big Question?" he asked. "We think so! Sometimes, we are afraid, but God wants us to pray about everything, anytime, all the time, day or night!"



"Our Big Question is: How Does God Want Us to Pray? And the answer is: Every Night and Day... Always!" "Great job, kids! You did it!"



"Prayer is talking and listening to God. God's people have so much to talk to God about. They tell God how wonderful He is. They say sorry to Him for how they have disobeyed Him. They thank Him for all He's done for them and others. And, they ask Him to do great things and help them live for Him. God's people are so happy that God is always near to listen and to help them. We can be God's people, too, when we trust in Jesus as our Savior and live for Him."



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Man and the Big Teeth"

Daniel 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 Man and the Big Teeth.' Listen for who prayed to God, and what God did to the big teeth."

"The Case of the Man with the Big Teeth" Daniel 6

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who had big teeth and who was the man who was with them?
2. Who did the man ask for help and did He help him?

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Philippians 4:5,6, ESV

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer... let your requests be made known to God."

1. To be anxious is to be worried and afraid. Who could have been very anxious in our story?
2. What did he do instead of being anxious? What did the LORD do for him?

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

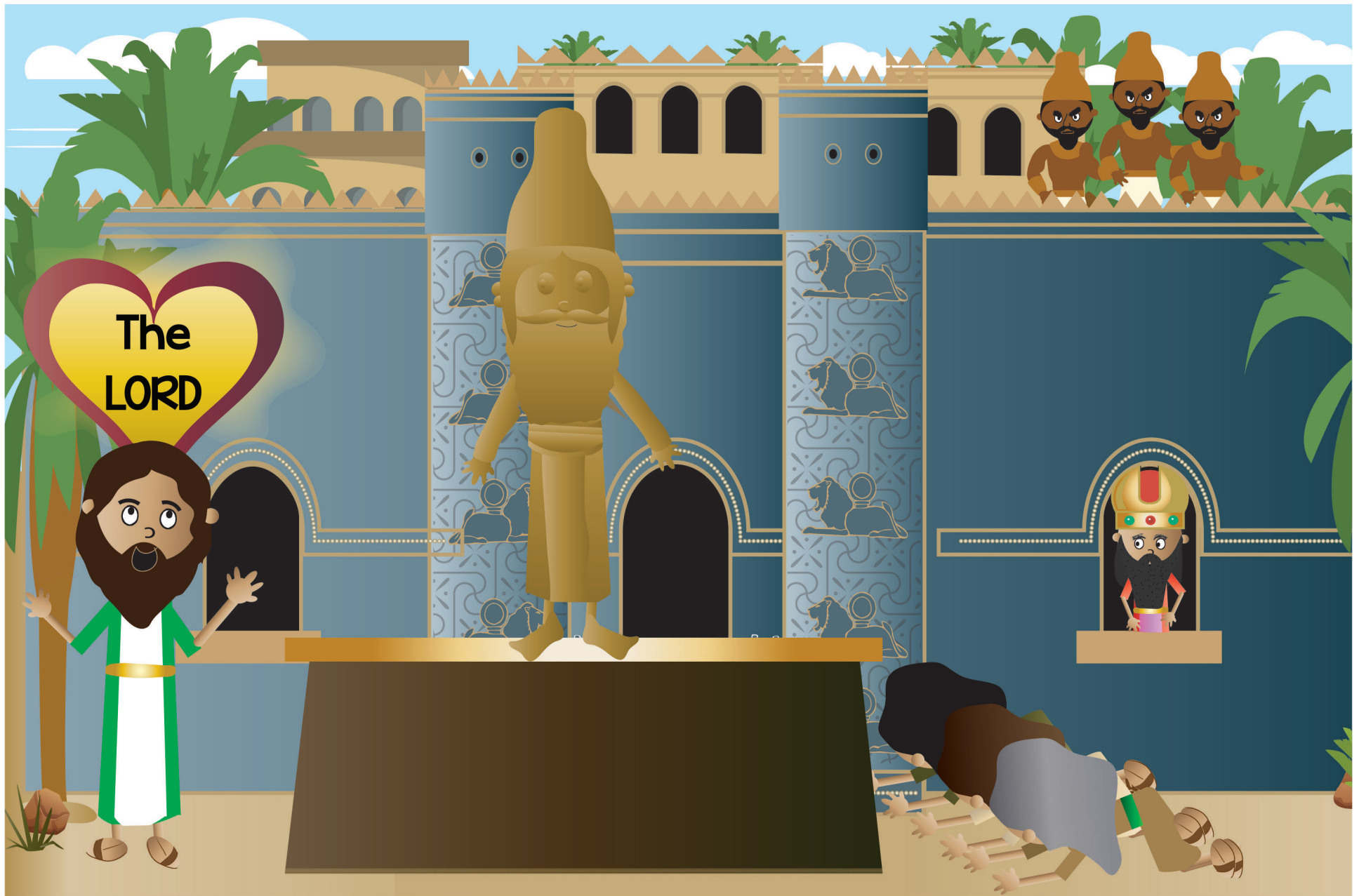
Something to Grow Into



I. Daniel loved to pray to the LORD, especially in Jerusalem at the Temple in Jerusalem. He prayed things like: "LORD, You are the one, true God, I praise You! Help me to love You and live for You!"



2. But one, sad day, enemies came and broke down Jerusalem and its beautiful Temple. They took Daniel and many others to a land called Babylon. They made them work hard as slaves.



3. The people in Babylon worshipped fake gods. Would Daniel worship these fake gods, too? No, he would not! He would live for the LORD, and pray to Him, every night and day, even in Babylon.



4. The king called Daniel his BEST worker, and the other workers became jealous. They tricked the king into making a bad rule: everyone must worship the king as God, or be thrown to the lions!



5. The bad rule and the hungry lions wouldn't stop Daniel from worshipping the LORD. Daniel would keep on praying to the LORD, every night and day.



6. The bad helpers' plan worked. They threw Daniel into a big, dark pit, full of snarling lions. "Roar! Roar! Let's gobble up this man! Yum, yum, yummy in our tummies!"



7. But even there, in the middle of those lions, Daniel knew what to do. He prayed to the LORD. Daniel knew the LORD could help him.



8. The next morning, the king went to the lion pit. He looked down into the pit to check on Daniel. Was he alive? Had Daniel's God rescued him?



9. Sure enough, the LORD answered Daniel's prayers! He had sent an angel to shut the mouths of those snarly lions. Daniel wouldn't be their breakfast, lunch, or dinner!

THE LORD

The One, True God!



10. The king was so happy! He got rid of the bad workers and made a new rule. "Everyone, worship the LORD! Who is God like Him? He rescued Daniel from the lions! He's the One, True God!"

“The Case of the Man and the Big Teeth”

Q: “Who prayed to God, and what did God do to the big teeth?”

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GOD WANTS US TO PRAY TO HIM ALWAYS!

A: “Daniel prayed to God and God sent an angel to shut the lions’ mouths and keep Daniel safe.”

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who had big teeth and who was the man who was with them?

Lions. Daniel.

2. Who did the man ask for help and did He help him?
The LORD. Daniel asked the LORD for help and the LORD answered Daniel's prayers. He even sent an angel to close the lions' mouths.

For You and Me:
Daniel knew the LORD was the one, true God. He knew the LORD could always help him. Nothing was too hard for Him! The LORD is still the one, true God. He still always hears and helps His people. We can be His people, too, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He loves to help us do this. Ask Him to help you!

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Philippians 4:5,6, ESV

"The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

1. To be anxious is to be worried and afraid. Who could have been very anxious in our story?
Daniel.

2. What did he do instead of being anxious? What did the LORD do for him?

Daniel prayed to the LORD. He praised the LORD, and thanked Him, and asked Him to help him. God answered Daniel's prayers. He saved Daniel. He even sent an angel to close the lions' mouths. Nothing is too hard for the LORD!

For You and Me:

Just like Daniel, we can pray to the LORD about everything. He is the one, true God. There is no other God, but Him! The LORD helped Daniel to keep on praying to Him, no matter what! He can help us to keep on praying to Him, too. He loves to help us. Just ask Him!

Something to Grow Into

**Our Bible Truth is:
How Does God Want Us to Pray?
Every Night and Day!**



Gospel Songs

The Gospel

Daniel was a man who loved God and prayed to Him every night and day. God heard Daniel's prayers and answered him! God wants us to love Him and pray to Him, too. We can pray to God about everything, like Daniel did. But did you know, there is something God especially wants us to pray about? He wants us to ask Him to help us turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. That is how we can become God's people!

You see, all of us were created to love God and others, but none of us do. We all have sinful hearts and have chosen to live our own way, instead of God's good way. And for this, we deserve God's punishment.

Yet God is so merciful that He chose to send His Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. Jesus lived a perfect life and offered it up on the cross, as the full payment for the sins of God's people. Jesus died and was buried, but on the third day, He rose up from the dead. He had beaten sin and death for God's people. This proved it!

We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. We can know God in our hearts now. Then one day, we can go to live with God forever in heaven. That will be best of all!

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Something to Grow Into

"God loves to hear our prayers. Let's pray to Him now."

A Prayer

We praise You, LORD. You love to hear our prayers!

God, we disobey You and deserve Your punishment, yet You offer us Your love through Jesus. Thank You!

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



ACTS Prayer Song

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Something to Grow Into

A Prayer

A We praise You, God, for being the One, True God who delights to hear our prayers.

C God, we confess that even though You love to hear our prayers, many times we do not take time to talk with You. We forget You or think we don't really need You. Please forgive us. We need a Savior!

T Thank You, God, for always hearing our prayers and never getting tired of listening. Thank You for caring about us so much. Every day, we see so many ways You answer prayers.

S God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You. Help us to trust in Jesus to save us from our sins. Help us to pray to You as we go through our day. Help us to know You are near and love to hear us when we talk to You. Help us to live out Your good rules for our lives.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



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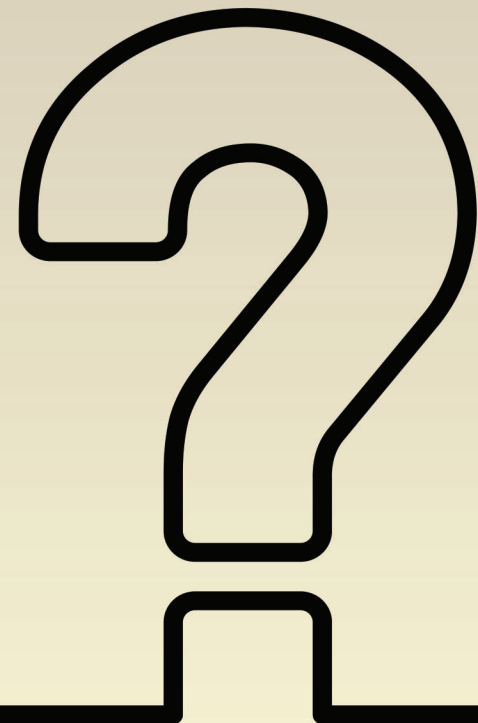
"Hide 'n' Seek Kids, it's almost time for me to go. But first, let's celebrate what we've learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let's get bouncy!"

Big Q & A #14

Simple Song



How does God want us to pray?
Ev'ry night and day!
How does God want us to pray?
Ev'ry night and day!
Ev'ry night, ev'ry day,
Ev'ry night, ev'ry day,
Ev'ry night and day!
How does God want us to pray?
Ev'ry night and day!



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

Big Question #14 Tell Me More Song How Does God Want Us to Pray?

How does God want us to pray?
Every night and day the ACTS way!
How does God want us to pray?
Every night and day the ACTS way!
The ACTS way, what's it all about?
The ACTS way, I just can't figure out!

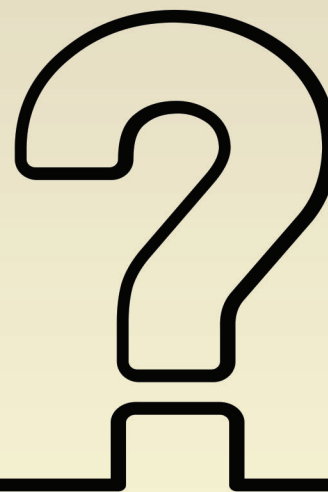
Refrain

A-C-T-S, say it with a shout,
ACTS! I could tell you more,
But I'd rather act it out.

A, A, A, stands for Adoration,
We praise You, God of all creation,
C, C, C, stands for Confession,
We're sorry, God, to You our sins confessin,'
Refrain

T, T, T, stands for Thanksgiving,
Thank You, God, for the good things
You have given,
S, S, S, Stands for Supplication,
Help us, Lord, the God of our salvation.

A-C-T-S, Say it with a shout, ACTS!
Now I've told you,
Now let's go and act it out.

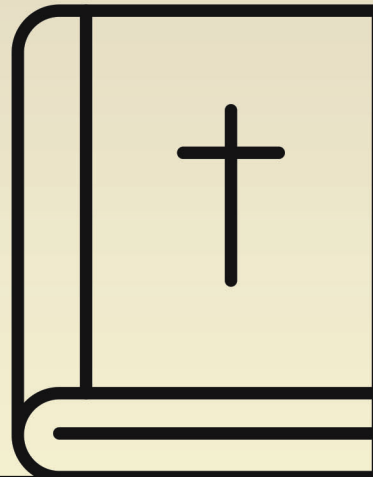


Here are two songs that help us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

Big Question #14 Bible Verse Song:

Don't Be Anxious about Anything

Don't be anxious 'bout anything,
But in everything, But in everything,
Don't be anxious 'bout anything,
But in everything, But in everything,
Let your requests be known to God.
Philippians Four, five and six.



"Let's hide God's Word in our hearts! Let's sing our Bible verse!"

Big Question #14 Hymn

What A Friend We Have in Jesus

Verse 1

What a friend we have in Jesus, All our
sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry,
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Verse 2

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged,
Take it to the Lord in prayer!



Big Question #14 Praise Song

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Verse 1

Lord, I want to be a Christian
in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Verse 2

Lord, I want to be more loving
in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Verse 3

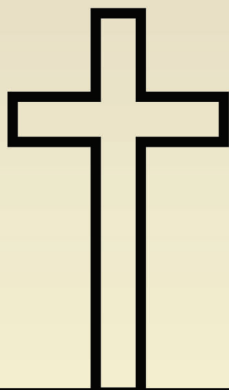
Lord, I want to be more holy
in my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

“Let’s praise the Lord for wanting to hear our prayers!”

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."

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song

Come along, we're gonna Hide 'n' seek!
Hide God's Word in our heart
and Him, we'll seek,
God loves to show us
the truths of His Word,
That we might know Him
and live out what we've learned.



The Gathering Song

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



Criss Cross Applesauce Song

Criss cross applesauce,
Sit down please.
Hands in your lap,
Shh, look at me.



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!



Let's Pray Song

1,2,3, Bow your head,
Close your eyes,
Fold your hands,
Let's pray.



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,

