

# **Detective Dan's Big Question Box**

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



**2 Bible Truths from Big Question 6:  
How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World?**  
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Curriculum for preschool and elementary age children,  
training tools, music and other resources  
are available for download or to order at:  
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### **UNIT 6: GOD, THE JUST AND MERCIFUL**

**How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World? Bad Things Came through Sin...**

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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](http://praisefactory.org), or for purchase as hard copies through [amazon.com](http://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](http://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](https://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](https://praisefactory.org) and download the Prop Pictures and Big Questions file from the Deep Down Detectives Bits and Pieces section on [praisefactory.org](https://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.

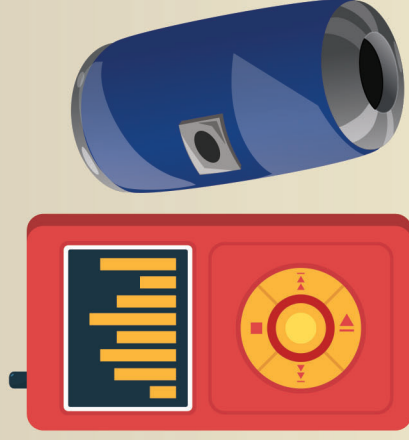
**8. Purchase a kids' briefcase and put your props in it. You are ready to go!**

# 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"



## 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.



## 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

(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.



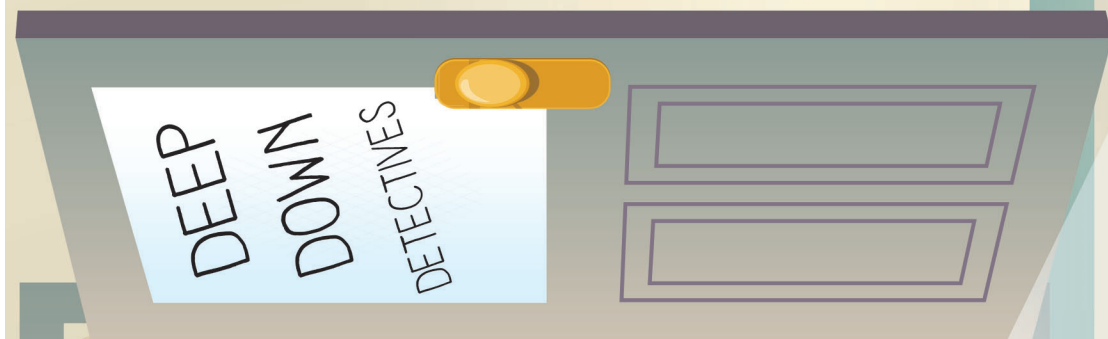
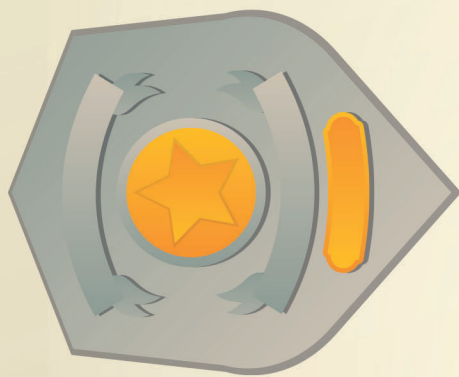
# Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #6, Bible Truth 1:**  
**The Case of the Terrible, Terrible Day**



Deep Down  
Detectives Theme



**"Hi! Welcome to Deep Down Detectives! We're so glad you've joined us. Detective Dan is going to help us dig deep down into God's Word, the Bible. Come on. Let's go!"**







"Wow, look at this! It's Detective Dan's briefcase with a **new** Big Question for us. It says, 'How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and see what's inside."





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





DEEP  
DOWN  
DETECTIVES

Q: HOW DID BAD THINGS COME TO GOD'S GOOD WORLD?

A: BAD THINGS CAME THROUGH SIN...

WHEN ??? AND ??? CHOSE TO DISOBEY GOD.



GENESIS  
2:17




Hint: "What are the names  
of the first man and woman?"

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue and read: "How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World? Bad Things Came through Sin... When ??? and ??? Chose to Disobey God." Genesis 2:17."  
Hint: "What are the names of the first man and woman?"







**Genesis 2**  
**“You must not**  
**eat from the**  
**tree of the**  
**knowledge**  
**of good**

**and evil,**  
**for when**  
**you eat of**  
**it... you will**  
**surely die.”**



**You Must Not Eat**  
**Genesis 2,3**

**The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Genesis 2:17, and read: “You must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat of it... you will surely die.”**





Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out the first way bad things came to God's good world?" he asked. "We think so! 'God told Adam and Eve not to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, but they chose to disobey Him and eat from it. That was sin.'"





Big Q & A 6  
Simple  
Song

Q: HOW DID BAD THINGS COME TO  
GOD'S GOOD WORLD?

A: BAD THINGS CAME THROUGH SIN...  
WHEN ADAM AND EVE CHOSE TO DISOBEY GOD.



"Our Big Question is: How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World? And the answer is: "Bad Things Came through Sin... When ADAM and EVE Chose to Disobey God." "Great job, kids! You did it!"







Big Question 6  
Tell Me More  
Song



Sin came to God's good world when Adam and Eve disobeyed God. God is good and just. He hates sin. Adam and Eve now deserved His punishment and death. But God isn't ONLY just. He is also merciful. He promised to send a Savior --Jesus! Jesus did come. He died on the cross to save God's people from their sins, and rose from the dead in victory. Jesus can be our Savior, too.





Bible Chant  
Song

# **“The Case of the Terrible, Terrible Day”**

Genesis 3-4



**“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 Terrible, Terrible Day.’ Listen for what made that day so terrible for God’s good world.”**

## "The Case of the Terrible, Terrible Day" Genesis 2,3

more depth  
for  
older kids



### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. What happened to Adam and Eve on the Terrible, Terrible Day?

2. What did God promise to do to help them (and all of us)?

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older kids



### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Genesis 2:16-17

"And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.'"

1. What were Adam and Eve tempted to do? What happened when they gave into temptation?

2. What did God promise to do to help them (and all of us)?

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

## Something to Grow Into





I. The LORD made a beautiful garden home for Adam and Eve, filled with everything they needed. There were trees with delicious fruit to eat, and life was Perfect Wonderfulness together with the LORD. There's never been a home on earth as perfect as the Garden of Eden.





2. God put two other special trees in Eden. "The Tree of Life" was a tree of blessing, offering never-ending life. But the "Tree of Knowing Good and Evil" was a tree of obeying. "Do NOT eat from this tree. If you do, you will surely die," God warned Adam and Eve.







3. For a while, Adam and Eve obeyed and life was Perfect Wonderfulness. But God's enemy, Satan, came. "Did God say, 'You can't eat from ANY tree in the garden?'" he asked Eve. "Any but the one in the middle," she replied. "We shouldn't even touch it, or we will die."





4. "You won't die," Satan lied. "When you eat that fruit you'll start to know as much as God knows. You'll become like Him, knowing good and evil," he said. Eve listened to his lies. She picked the tree's beautiful fruit and ate it. So did Adam.







5. Satan's trick worked. Adam and Eve had disobeyed God. Sin began its terrible changes in them. They made clothes to hide from each other. And when God called out to them, they hid from Him, too.







6. God made Adam and Eve tell what happened. They made excuses. They blamed others. But the truth was, they had both chosen to disobey God. Sin had come into God's good world, and there were consequences. Now, many other sad and bad things would come, too.





7. God is good, and He hates sin. The three faced His punishment: "Serpent, now you will crawl along the ground in shame. Eve, now obeying your husband and having children will be hard for you. Adam, now you'll have to work hard to get your own food from the ground," God told them.

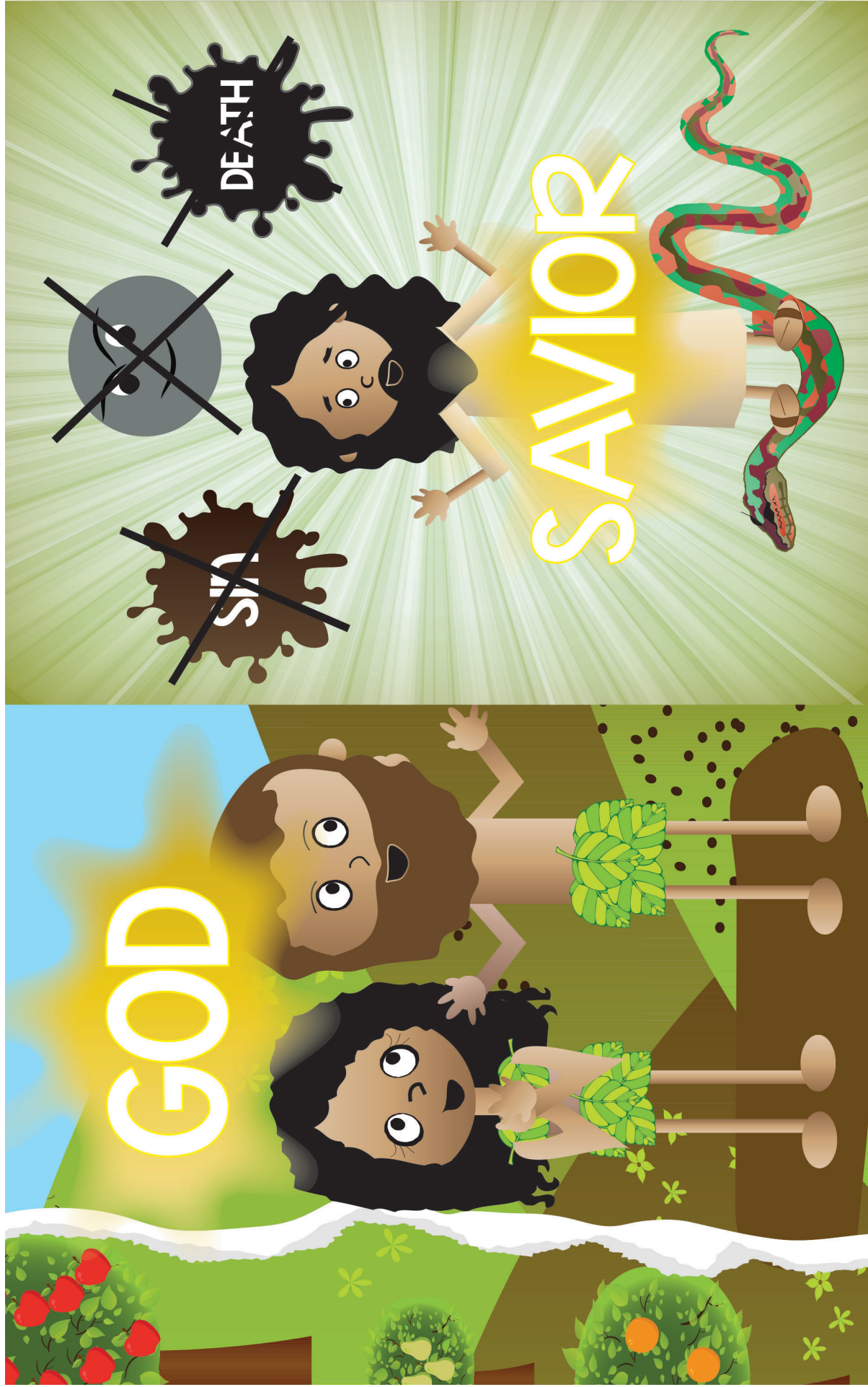






8. "You must leave Eden and its happy blessings," God told Adam and Eve. "Now, you'll know sickness and sadness. You'll grow old and die. Worst of all, the closeness we enjoyed together is broken," God said. God's punishments were hard, but Adam and Eve knew they were fair.





9. But God was merciful that day, too. He gave Adam and Eve something better than they deserved. He promised to send one of their sons to crush Satan and be their Savior --Jesus! Adam and Eve didn't know His name, but they looked forward to the day He would come.







10. At just the right time, Jesus did come. Like Adam and Eve, Satan tempted Jesus to disobey God; but Jesus kept obeying! He never, ever disobeyed God. He lived a perfect life, so He could be the full payment for the sins of God's people when He died on the cross for them.





II. The Savior was DEAD? Was Jesus really any different from Adam and Eve? Oh, yes, He was! For on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, never to die again. He had beaten sin and death for all who put their trust in Him! Then, Jesus went up to heaven in victory.







**12. One day, Jesus will come back and crush Satan forever. God will make a beautiful, new world for His people to live in with Him. No more sin, sickness, pain, or death ...ever. We can be there, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask God to help you.**





# “The Case of the Terrible, Terrible Day”

Q: “What made that day so terrible for God’s good world?”



plenty for  
younger  
kids

Bad Things Came Through Sin...

When Adam and Eve Disobeyed God!

A: “It was the day that God’s perfect world was broken with the sin and death.”

## "The Case of the Terrible, Terrible Day" Genesis 2,3

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for  
older kids



### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. What happened to Adam and Eve on the Terrible, Terrible Day?  
They disobeyed God and lost the perfect life and fellowship with God that He had given them.

2. What did God promise to do to help them (and all of us)?  
To send a Son to crush the enemy and save them.

For You and Me:  
Adam and Eve did not know the name of the Savior God would send, but we do! It's Jesus! He came at just the right time to crush Satan and make the way for us to be saved from our sins. He can be our Savior, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior.  
Ask Him to help you! He loves to do this!

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### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Genesis 2:16-17, NIV

"And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.'"

1. What were Adam and Eve tempted to do? What happened when they gave into temptation? They were tempted to disobey God and eat the fruit of the Tree of Knowing Good and Evil. They lost their perfect friendship and life with God when they disobeyed Him. This is how sin and bad things came into God's good world.

2. What did God promise to do to help them (and all of us)? To send a Son to crush the enemy and save them.

For You and Me

Adam and Eve did not know the name of the Savior God would send, but we do! It's Jesus! He came at just the right time to crush Satan and make the way for us to be saved from our sins. He can be our Savior, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. Ask Him to help you! He loves to do this!

## Something to Grow Into



How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World?  
Bad Things Came through Sin...  
when Adam and Eve chose to disobey God!

# The Gospel

What a terrible thing happened when Adam and Eve sinned! They lost the special closeness they had with God. But how kind God was to promise to send Jesus to destroy Satan and save sinners like them and us from our sins!

Jesus lived a perfect life and took the punishment for the sins of God's people when He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, He rose from the dead in victory. Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior can be forgiven and become God's people. God gives them new hearts to know and love Him. And one day, they will go to live with Him forever.

We can become God's people, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus. Ask Him to help you. He loves to!

more depth  
for  
older kids



Gospel Songs

Something to Grow Into

**“The LORD is the one, true God we have all disobeyed. Let’s pray to Him now.”**

## **A Prayer**

**LORD, we praise You for being good and hating sin. We all deserve Your punishment.**

**Thank You for also being merciful and sending Jesus to be the Savior we need.**

**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.**



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ACTS Prayer Song



## Something to Grow Into

### A Prayer

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older kids

**A** We praise You, God, for being holy and just. You hate sin and are fair to punish us for how we have disobeyed You and Your good laws.

**C** Adam and Eve chose to disobey Your good laws, long ago. We have chosen to disobey You many times, too. We want to say sorry to You for choosing to disobey You and ask that You would forgive us. We need a Savior!

**T** Thank You, God, for sending Jesus to save us when we should only get punishment for disobeying You. Thank You for promising to forgive the sins of all who turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as their own Savior.

**S** God, when we are tempted to sin, help us to choose to obey You. Work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Save us from Your punishment for our sins. We want to get to love You and enjoy You as Your people forever.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song

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







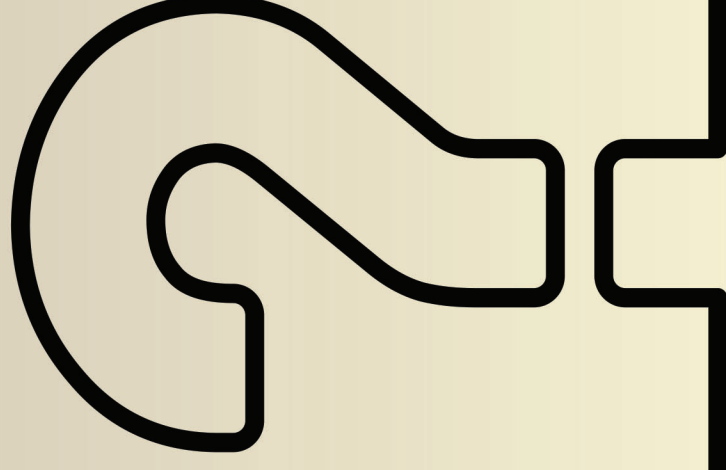
“Deep Down Detectives, it’s almost time for me to go. But first, let’s celebrate what we’ve learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let’s get bouncy!”

## Big Q & A #6

### Simple Song



How did bad things,  
How did bad things,  
Come to God's good world?  
Come to God's good world?  
Bad things came through sin,  
Bad things came through sin,  
That's how bad things came,  
That's how bad things came.



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

## Big Question #6 Tell Me More Song

Refrain:

Bad things, bad things,

How did bad things come to God's good world?

Bad things, bad things,

Bad things came through sin.

Sin is saying "no" to God,

when we should say, "Yes,"

Satan said "no" to God

And so began the me-ee-me-ee-ess.

Refrain

Adam and Eve said "no" to God,

And so sin came to men,

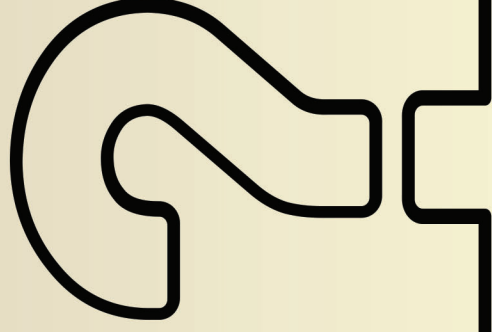
It spread to all of God's good world,

And down to their children-ee-en-ee-en.

Refrain

We all deserve God's punishment,  
Death is the wages of sin,  
But there's eternal life through Jesus Christ,  
For all who believe in Him-ee-im-ee im.

Refrain



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



## Big Question #6, Bible Truth I Bible Verse Song:

### You Must Not Eat, Eat, Eat: Genesis 2,3

“Gather around, children. I have a story to tell you about Adam and Eve, back in the beginning of the world.” The LORD God commanded the man:

“Oh, you are free, free, free, to eat, eat, eat, From any tree, tree, tree in the garden, But you must not eat from the tree, tree, tree, Of the knowledge of good and evil..

For when you eat of it...you will surely die. But did Adam and Eve obey God? No! They did not!

Eve took some fruit, fruit, fruit and ate, ate, ate, She also gave, gave, gave some to her husband. And he ate, ate, ate, ate, ate, He ate, ate it, Then the eyes of them both were opened.



Oh, no! What did God do then? Well, God told Adam:

Because you ate, ate, ate, from the tree, tree, tree, From the tree, tree, tree you must not eat. Cursed is the ground, because of you, By the sweat of your brow you'll eat, ' Til you return to the ground.

What a sad, sad day! is that the end? Well, it could have been, but...God is so rich in mercy that he gave them a wonderful promise of hope that day.

He promised them, them, them, to send, send, send, A Savior to save them from their sins. The Lord Jesus Christ, to bring eternal life, To all who repent and believe in Him.

Thank God for sending Jesus! Amen!  
Genesis Two and Three.

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



## Big Question #6 Hymn Nothing But the Blood

### Verse 1

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

### Verse 2

For my pardon this I see,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!  
For my cleansing, this my plea,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.



## Big Question #6 Praise Song I Will Sing of the Mercies

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.  
With my mouth will I make known  
Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness,  
With my mouth will I make known  
Thy faithfulness to all generations.  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.

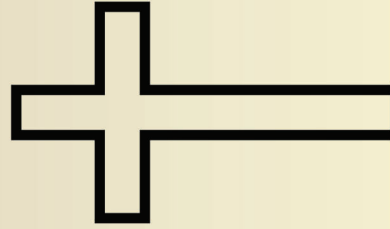


**"Let's praise the Lord for sending a Savior to save us from our sins."**

## 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.

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"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.





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## Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 6, Bible Truth 1

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### The Case of the Terrible, Terrible Day *Genesis 3,4*

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

1. The LORD made a beautiful garden home for Adam and Eve, filled with everything they needed. There were trees with delicious fruit to eat, and life was Perfect Wonderfulness together with the LORD. There's never been a home on earth as perfect as the Garden of Eden.

2. God put two other special trees in Eden. "The Tree of Life" was a tree of blessing, offering never-ending life. But the "Tree of Knowing Good and Evil" was a tree of obeying. "Do NOT eat from this tree. If you do, you will surely die," God warned Adam and Eve.

3. For a while, Adam and Eve obeyed and life was Perfect Wonderfulness. But God's enemy, Satan, came. "Did God say, 'You can't eat from ANY tree in the garden?' he asked Eve. "Any but the one in the middle," she replied. "We shouldn't even touch it, or we will die."

4. "You won't die," Satan lied. "When you eat that fruit you'll start to know as much as God knows. You'll become like Him, knowing good and evil," he said. Eve listened to his lies. She picked the tree's beautiful fruit and ate it. So did Adam.

5. Satan's trick worked. Adam and Eve had disobeyed God. Sin began its terrible changes in them. They made clothes to hide from each other. And when God called out to them, they hid from Him, too.

6. God made Adam and Eve tell what happened. They made excuses. They blamed others. But the truth was, they had both chosen to disobey God. Sin had come into God's good world, and there were consequences. Now, many other sad and bad things would come, too.

7. God is good, and He hates sin. The three faced His punishment: "Serpent, now you will crawl along the ground in shame. Eve, now obeying your husband and having children will be hard for you. Adam, now you'll have to work hard to get your own food from the ground," God told them.

8. "You must leave Eden and its happy blessings," God told Adam and Eve. "Now, you'll know sickness and sadness. You'll grow old and die. Worst of all, the closeness we enjoyed together is broken," God said. God's punishments were hard, but Adam and Eve knew they were fair.

9. But God was merciful that day, too. He gave Adam and Eve something better than they deserved. He promised to send one of their sons to crush Satan and be their Savior --Jesus! Adam and Eve didn't know His name, but they looked forward to the day He would come.

10. At just the right time, Jesus did come. Like Adam and Eve, Satan tempted Jesus to disobey God; but Jesus kept obeying! He never, ever disobeyed God. He lived a perfect life, so He could be the full payment for the sins of God's people when He died on the cross for them.

11. The Savior was DEAD? Was Jesus really any different from Adam and Eve? Oh, yes, He was! For on Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, never to die again. He had beaten sin and death for all who put their trust in Him! Then, Jesus went up to heaven in victory.

12. One day, Jesus will come back and crush Satan forever. God will make a beautiful, new world for His people to live in with Him. No more sin, sickness, pain, or death ...ever. We can be there, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask God to help you.

# Detective Dan's Big Question Box

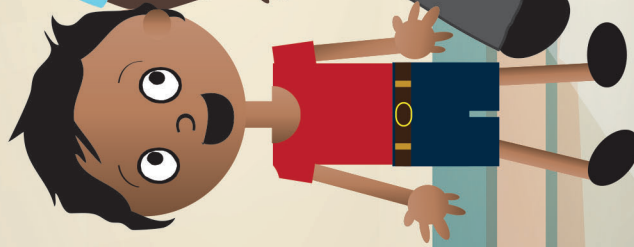
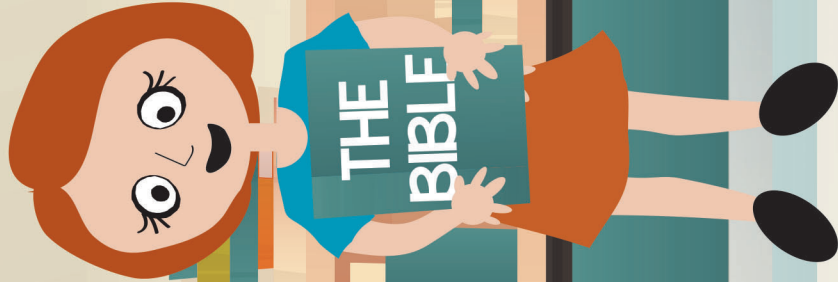
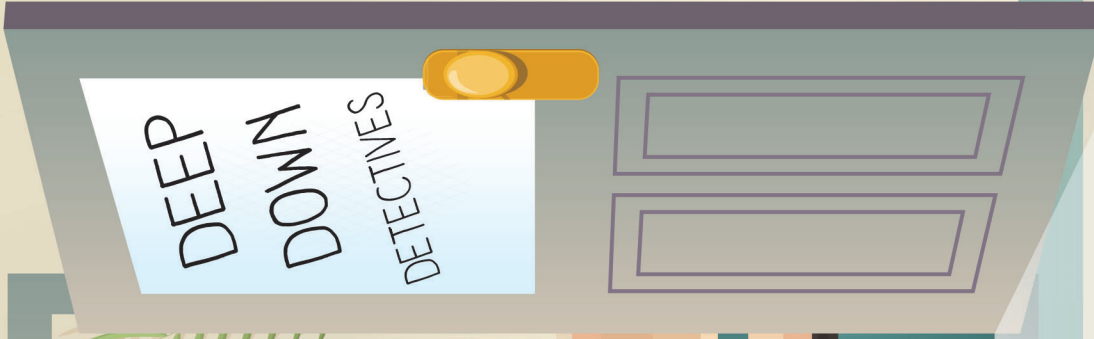
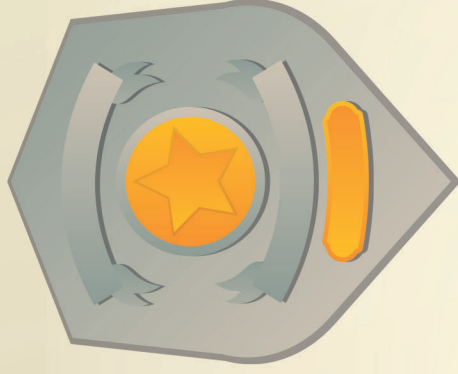


**Big Question #6, Bible Truth 2:  
The Case of the Sadness that Didn't Stop**





Deep Down  
Detectives Theme



**"Hi! Welcome to Deep Down Detectives! We're so glad you've joined us. Detective Dan is going to help us dig deep down into God's Word, the Bible. Come on. Let's go!"**





"Wow, look at this! It's Detective Dan's briefcase with a new case for us. His Big Question is: 'How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World?' Come on, everybody. Let's unlock it and read his clue."







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





DEEP  
DOWN  
DETECTIVES

Q: HOW DID BAD THINGS COME TO GOD'S GOOD WORLD?

A: BAD THINGS CAME THROUGH SIN...

WHEN SIN SPREAD TO THE WHOLE ???.



Hint: Another word for "Earth."  
It rhymes with "curled."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue and read: "How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World? Bad Things Came through Sin... When Sin Spread to the Whole ??? Chose to Disobey God." Psalm 14:3." Hint: Another word for "Earth." It rhymes with "curled."





The LORD Looks Down  
from Heaven  
Psalm 14:2,3

**Psalm 14:3**

**“All have  
turned  
away...**

**There is no  
one who  
does good,  
not even  
one.”**

The kids knew what to do next! They opened their Bible to Psalm 14:3, and read: “All have turned away...There is no one who does good, not even one.”





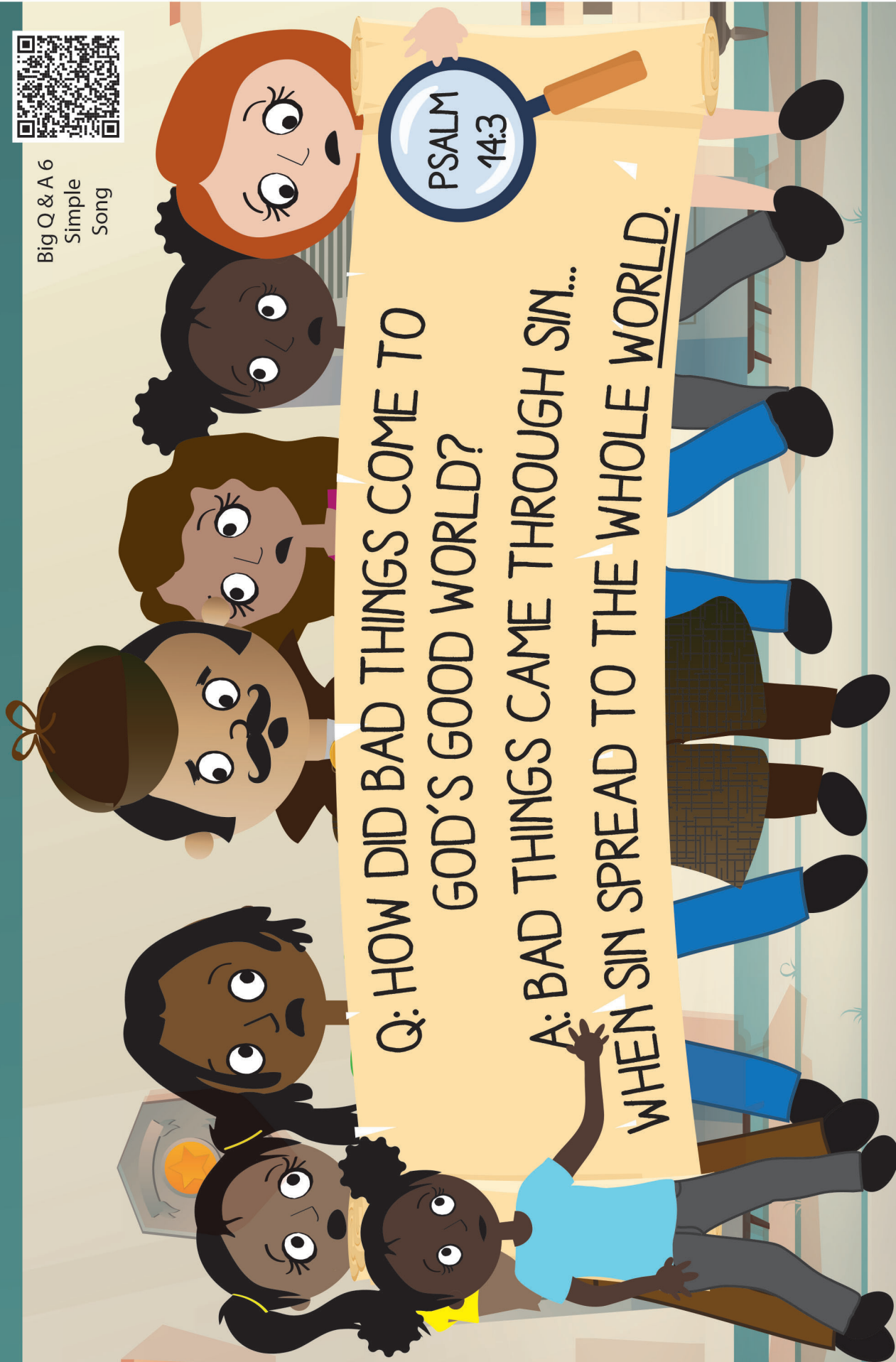


Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out the second way bad things came to God's good world?" he asked. "We think so! The sin that started with Adam and Eve spread to all people. We all have sinful hearts. We all choose to disobey God."





Big Q & A 6  
Simple  
Song



"Our Big Question is: How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World? And the answer is: "Bad Things Came through Sin... When Sin Spread to the Whole WORLD." "Great job, kids! You did it!"







Big Question 6  
Tell Me More  
Song



Sin began with Adam and Eve, but it didn't stop there. It spread out to everything in God's good world, and into the hearts of all people. That's why even you and I have sinful hearts and deserve God's punishment. But God is so merciful! He sent Jesus to be the Savior we need. He died on the cross to pay for the sins of all who turn from their sins and trust in Him as their Savior.





Bible Chant  
Song

# ***“The Case of the Sadness that Didn’t Stop”***

Genesis 4,6-9



**“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 Sadness that Didn’t Stop.’ Listen for who the sadness of sin spread to in God’s good world.”**

## "The Case of the Sadness that Didn't Stop" Genesis 4:6-9

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older kids



### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Where did the sadness come from?

2. Who did it spread to? Who would come to stop it one day?

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### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalms 14:2-3, ESV

"The LORD looks down from heaven on the human race to see if there is one who is wise, one who seeks God. All have turned away; all alike have become corrupt. There is no one who does good, not even one."

1. What did the LORD see in the hearts of people?

2. What did they deserve? How did the LORD show His mercy to them?

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

## Something to Grow Into





I. When Adam and Eve disobeyed God, **EVERYTHING** God created was broken by sin. Not only was it broken, but sin grew worse and worse. Especially in people. The whole world became a place filled with people disobeying God and hurting one another. It was terrible!







2. The LORD hated the sin in His good world, but He is so patient. He waited years and years for people to turn back to Him. But at last it was time: He would send a flood to do away with all who still refused to obey Him. And with them, the creatures would be swept away, too.





3. This sounded like the end of God's world, but it wasn't. God isn't **ONLY** fair and good. He is merciful, too. God would save one man who fought his sin and sought to love and obey Him --Noah. And with Noah, God would save Noah's family and some of every kind of creature.







4. "I'm sending a huge flood because of the sin in the world," God told Noah. "Build a big, wooden boat. Fill it with food. I'll keep your family and some of every creature safe in it," God promised. A huge flood? A big boat filled with creatures? Could it really be? Would Noah believe and obey?





5. Yes, he would! Noah didn't have to understand God's plans for them to be true. God was pleased with Noah's faith and accepted him.





6. Chop, chop! Saw, saw! Hammer, hammer! Noah and his sons worked on the huge ark. People came to see what Noah doing. Noah warned them about the flood God was sending. "Turn back to God and be saved!" he told them. But no one did. Not even one! How sad!

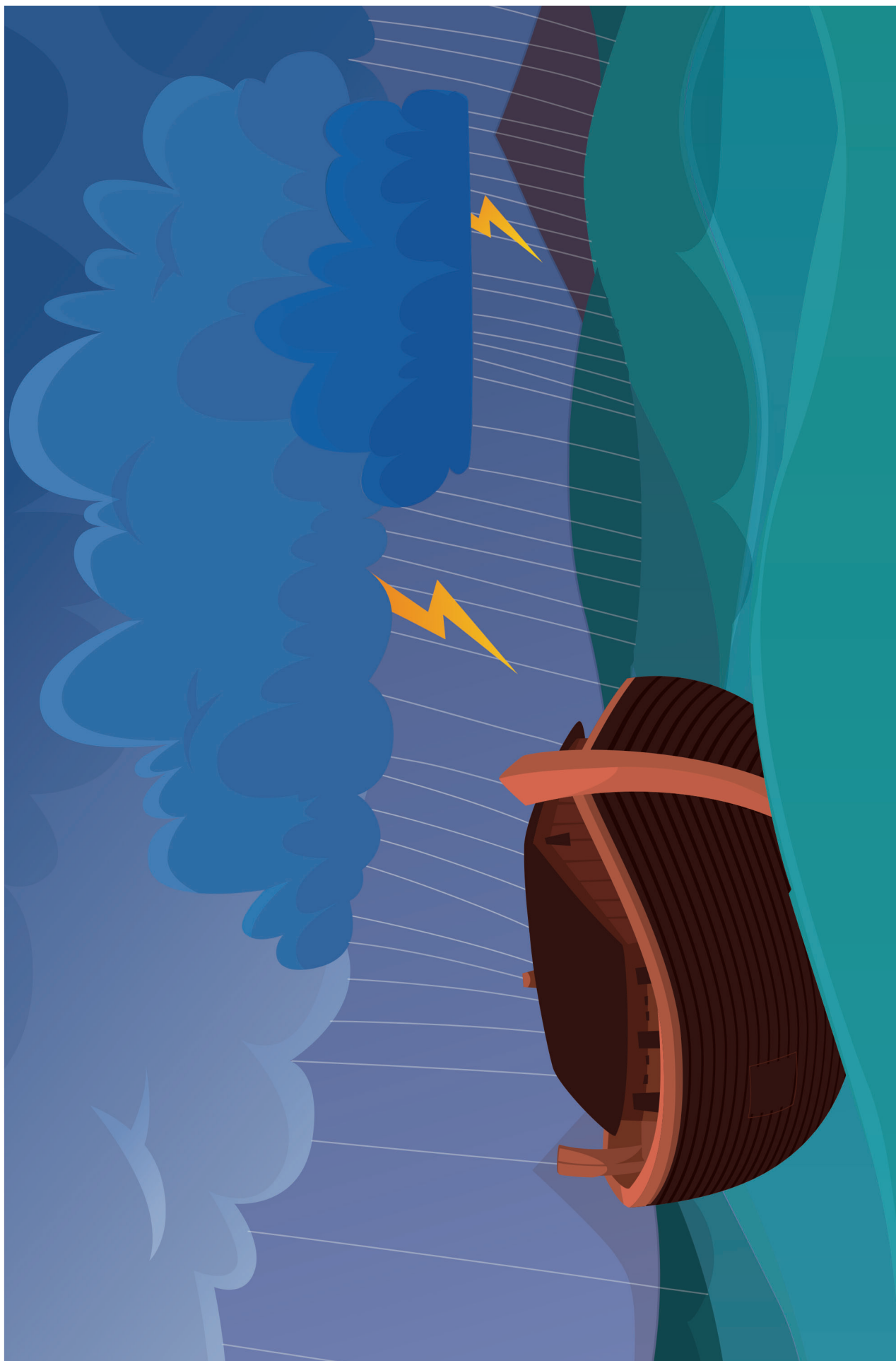






7. At last, the boat was finished and the food all loaded. Then the LORD, in His wonderful, mysterious way, led some of every creature to join Noah and his family in the ark. When everyone was safe inside, the LORD, Himself, shut them in. Then, the rain began.





8. Forty days and nights it rained. The water rose higher and higher until the land was completely covered up. Inside the ark, all were safe; but outside, everyone was swept away.







9. At last, God's judgment was finished. He sent a big wind to dry up the waters. "It's time to begin again. Fill the earth, like Adam and Eve and the creatures did, long ago," God told Noah. Noah happily obeyed. It was good to get off that ark and stand on dry ground again!





10. And what did Noah do first when he got off that ark? He gave God a worship gift of thanks for saving them. God was pleased, and said: "Never again will I destroy the whole earth with a flood. When it rains, look for a rainbow in the sky as a reminder of My promise."







II. A new beginning for the world! How wonderful! But sadly, the flood didn't wash sin from people's hearts. They still all disobeyed God. But there were always some, like Noah, who fought their sin and turned to God. They looked forward in faith to the day the Savior would come.







12. The Savior did come --Jesus, God's Son. Jesus lived a perfect life, then died on the cross, giving His life as full payment for the sins of God's people. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, beating sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.



# The Case of the Sadness that Didn't Stop

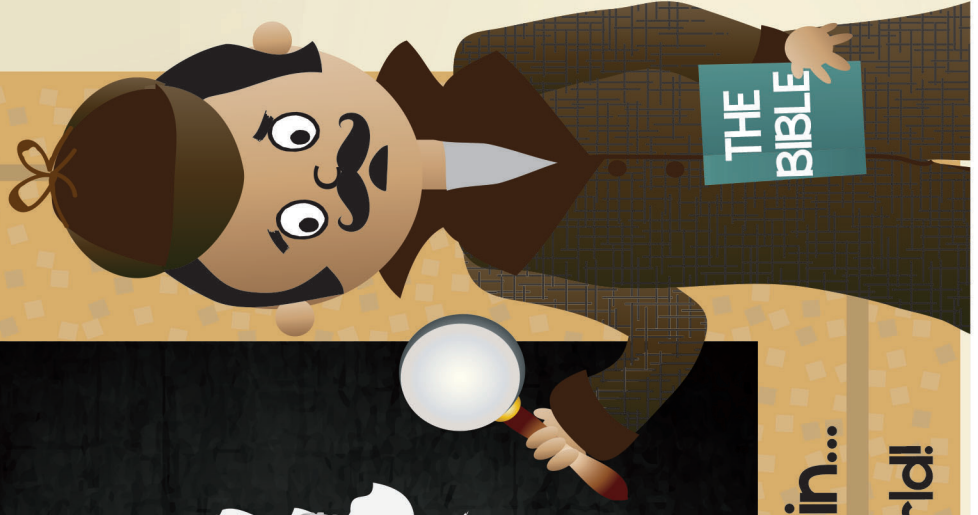
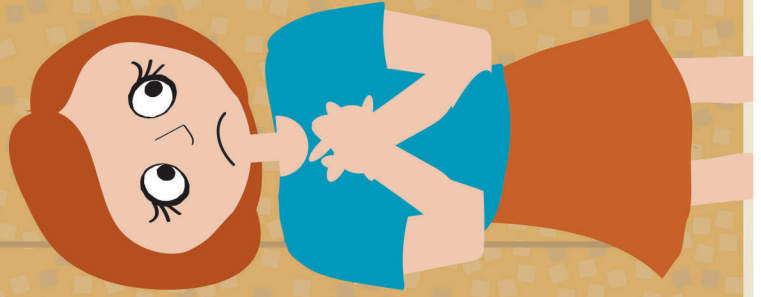
Q: "Who did the sadness of sin spread to in God's good world?"

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Bad Things Came Through Sin...

When Sin Spread to the Whole World!



A: "It spread to everything and everyone ...even to you and me!"



# "The Case of the Sadness that Didn't Stop" Genesis 4,6-9

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## SOLVED



### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Where did the sadness come from?  
It came from sin that came into the world when Adam and Eve disobeyed God.

2. Who did it spread to? Who would come to stop it one day? It spread to all people, all of Adam and Eve's children. God would send the Savior, Jesus, to stop it one day.

For You and Me:  
We are all Adam and Eve's children, and that means that their sin has spread all the way down to us, and all the way into our hearts. We need a Savior, just like they did. Jesus can be our Savior, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior. Ask Him to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

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### Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalms 14:2-3, ESV

"The LORD looks down from heaven on the human race to see if there is one who is wise, one who seeks God. All have turned away; all alike have become corrupt. There is no one who does good, not even one."

1. What did the LORD see in the hearts of people? He saw that they were all sinners who had chosen to disobey Him.

2. What did they deserve? How did the LORD show His mercy to them? They all deserved His punishment. They all deserved to be separated from Him forever. God showed them mercy by warning them through Noah to turn away from disobeying Him. And in Noah's case, God forgave him and saved him, when he turned away from his sins and trusted in the LORD.

For You and Me:

We are all Adam and Eve's children, and that means that their sin has spread all the way down to us...and into our hearts. We need a Savior, just like they did. God has warned us of the punishment we deserve for our sins. But, He also offers us to save us, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

## Something to Grow Into



How Did Bad Things Come to God's Good World?  
Bad Things Came through Sin...  
when sin spread to the whole world!

# The Gospel

Adam and Eve's sin spread to the whole world. None of us love God or each other as He tells us to. None of us deserve anything but God's punishment for our sins. God was kind to send Noah to warn about His coming punishment and to save Noah and his family. Noah was right to trust in God and to tell others to turn from their sins and trust in God, also.

Noah looked forward in faith to the Savior God promised to send --Jesus! Jesus lived a perfect life and took the punishment for the sins of God's people when He suffered and died on the cross. On Day Three, He rose from the dead in victory. Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior can be forgiven and become God's people. Ask God to help you become one of

His people, too. He  
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Gospel Songs

Something to Grow Into

**“The LORD is the one, true God we have all disobeyed. Let’s pray to Him now.”**

## **A Prayer**

**LORD, we praise You for being good and hating sin. We all deserve Your punishment.**

**Thank You for also being merciful and sending Jesus to be the Savior we need.**

**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.**



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ACTS Prayer Song



## Something to Grow Into

# A Prayer

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**A** We praise You, God, for being holy and just. You hate sin. You are fair in Your punishments for our sins against You and Your good laws.

**C** God, we know that every one of us have sinful hearts. We are no different from those people who sinned against You, long ago. We have all chosen to disobey You. We need a Savior!

**T** Thank You, God, for sending Jesus to save us, when we should only get punishment for disobeying You. Thank You for promising to forgive all who turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as their own Savior.

**S** God, work in our hearts! Help us to turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to love You and live for You. Help us to tell others the good news of Jesus that they might be saved, too.

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!”

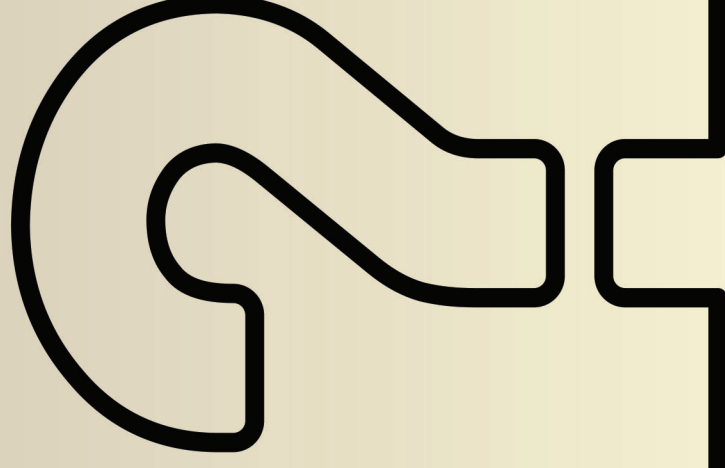


## Big Q & A #6

### Simple Song



How did bad things,  
How did bad things,  
Come to God's good world?  
Come to God's good world?  
Bad things came through sin,  
Bad things came through sin,  
That's how bad things came,  
That's how bad things came.



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

## Big Question #6 Tell Me More Song

Refrain:

Bad things, bad things,

How did bad things come to God's good world?

Bad things, bad things,

Bad things came through sin.

Sin is saying "no" to God,  
when we should say, "Yes,"

Satan said "no" to God

And so began the me-ee-me-ee-ess.

Refrain

Adam and Eve said "no" to God,

And so sin came to men,

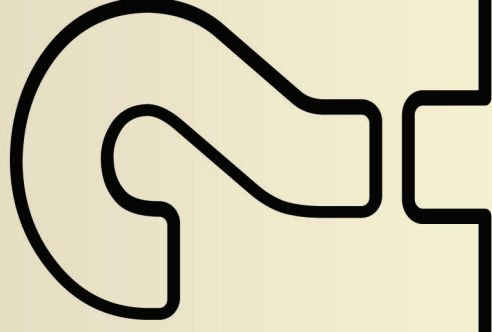
It spread to all of God's good world,

And down to their children-ee-en-ee-en.

Refrain

We all deserve God's punishment,  
Death is the wages of sin,  
But there's eternal life through Jesus Christ,  
For all who believe in Him-ee-im-ee im.

Refrain



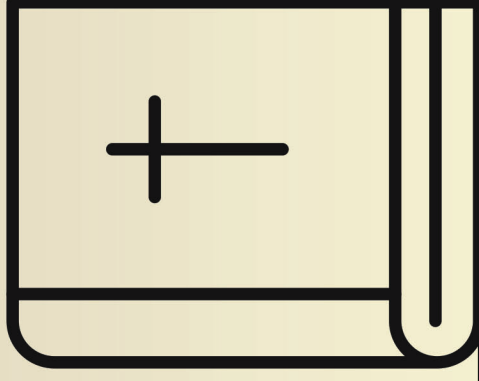
Here's a song that helps us dig even deeper into our Big Question.

**Big Question #6, Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse Song:  
The LORD Looks Down from Heaven: Psalm 14:2,3**



**The LORD looks down from heaven,  
On the human race  
To see if there is one who is wise,  
One who seeks God.**

**But all have turned away;  
All alike have become corrupt.  
There is no one who does good,  
No, not even one.  
Psalm Fourteen, two and three.**



**“Let’s hide God’s Word in our hearts! Let’s sing our Bible verse!”**

## Big Question #6 Hymn Nothing But the Blood

### Verse 1

What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

### Verse 2

For my pardon this I see,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus!  
For my cleansing, this my plea,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.



## Big Question #6 Praise Song I Will Sing of the Mercies

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord.  
With my mouth will I make known  
Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness,  
With my mouth will I make known  
Thy faithfulness to all generations.  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever,  
I will sing, I will sing,  
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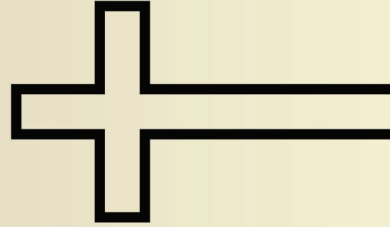
**"Let's praise the Lord for sending a Savior to save us from our sins."**



## 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.

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"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.



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## Detective Dan's (Shorter/Simpler) Version of Bible Story for Big Question 6, Bible Truth 2

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### The Case of the Sadness that Didn't Stop *Genesis 4,6-9*

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

1. When Adam and Eve disobeyed God, EVERYTHING God created was broken by sin. Not only was it broken, but sin grew worse and worse. Especially in people. The whole world became a place filled with people disobeying God and hurting one another. It was terrible!
2. The LORD hated the sin in His good world, but He is so patient. He waited years and years for people to turn back to Him. But at last it was time: He would send a flood to do away with all who still refused to obey Him. And with them, the creatures would be swept away, too.
3. This sounded like the end of God's world, but it wasn't. God isn't ONLY fair and good. He is merciful, too. God would save one man who fought his sin and sought to love and obey Him --Noah. And with Noah, God would save Noah's family and some of every kind of creature.
4. "I'm sending a huge flood because of the sin in the world," God told Noah. "Build a big, wooden boat. Fill it with food. I'll keep your family and some of every creature safe in it," God promised. A huge flood? A big boat filled with creatures? Could it really be? Would Noah believe and obey?
5. Yes, he would! Noah didn't have to understand God's plans for them to be true. God was pleased with Noah's faith and accepted him.
6. Chop, chop! Saw, saw! Hammer, hammer! Noah and his sons worked on the huge ark. People came to see what Noah doing. Noah warned them about the flood God was sending. "Turn back to God and be saved!" he told them. But no one did. Not even one! How sad!
7. At last, the boat was finished and the food all loaded. Then the LORD, in His wonderful, mysterious way, led some of every creature to join Noah and his family in the ark. When everyone was safe inside, the LORD, Himself, shut them in. Then, the rain began.
8. Forty days and nights it rained. The water rose higher and higher until the land was completely covered up. Inside the ark, all were safe; but outside, everyone was swept away.
9. At last, God's judgment was finished. He sent a big wind to dry up the waters. "It's time to begin again. Fill the earth, like Adam and Eve and the creatures did, long ago," God told Noah. Noah happily obeyed. It was good to get off that ark and stand on dry ground again!
10. And what did Noah do first when he got off that ark? He gave God a worship gift of thanks for saving them. God was pleased, and said: "Never again will I destroy the whole earth with a flood. When it rains, look for a rainbow in the sky as a reminder of My promise."
11. A new beginning for the world! How wonderful! But sadly, the flood didn't wash sin from people's hearts. They still all disobeyed God. But there were always some, like Noah, who fought their sin and turned to God. They looked forward in faith to the day the Savior would come.
12. The Savior did come --Jesus, God's Son. Jesus lived a perfect life, then died on the cross, giving His life as full payment for the sins of God's people. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead, beating sin and death for God's people. We can become God's people, too, if we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.