



Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #12, Bible Truth 4:
The Case of the Faith that Faced Fire**



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



"Wow, look at this! It's Detective Dan's briefcase with a new case for us. The Big Question is 'How Should God's People Live?' Come on! Let's unlock it and see what clue he gives us."



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

Big Q & A 12
Simple
Song



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Q: HOW SHOULD GOD'S PEOPLE LIVE?
A: THEY SHOULD LIVE LIKE JESUS...

PROVERBS
3:5

BY TRUSTING GOD AND BEING ???? WITH WHAT HE WANTS.



Hint: "The opposite of being sad.
Starts with an "H" and
rhymes with "snappy."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "How Should God's People Live? They Should Live Like Jesus... By Trusting God and Being ???? With What He Wants. Proverbs 3:5." Hint: "The opposite of being sad. Starts with an "H" and rhymes with "snappy."

Proverbs 3:5

**“Trust in the
LORD with all
your heart.”**



Trust
Proverbs 3:5-6

The kids knew what to do next. They opened their Bible to Proverbs 3:5, and read: “Trust in the LORD with all your heart.”



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this fourth truth about how God's people should live?" he asked. "We think so! God's people know God has good planned for them. He wants them to trust Him and be happy with His plans, even if they don't understand them."

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"Our Big Question is: How Should God's People Live? And the answer is: They Should Live Like Jesus... By Trusting God and Being HAPPY With What He Wants." "Great job, kids! You did it!"



"Jesus trusted God, His Father, completely. He knew that what His Father wanted Him to do was always best, even when it was very hard. God wants His people to trust Him like Jesus did, even when it is very hard. He wants them to be happy and keep on believing that He is doing what is best for them. God helps His people keep trusting in Him by His Holy Spirit working in their hearts. We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior."



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Faith that Faced Fire"

Daniel 1-3



"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 Faith that Faced Fire.' Listen for who trusted God knew what was best even when they were being thrown in the fiery furnace."

"The Case of the Faith that Faced Fire" Daniel 1-3

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who did the king order to be thrown into the fire?
2. What did God give them faith to do?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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Proverbs 3:5- 6, ESV

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."

1. Who had to trust in the LORD in ways far bigger than they could understand?
2. How did the LORD show His faithfulness to them?

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

Something to Grow Into



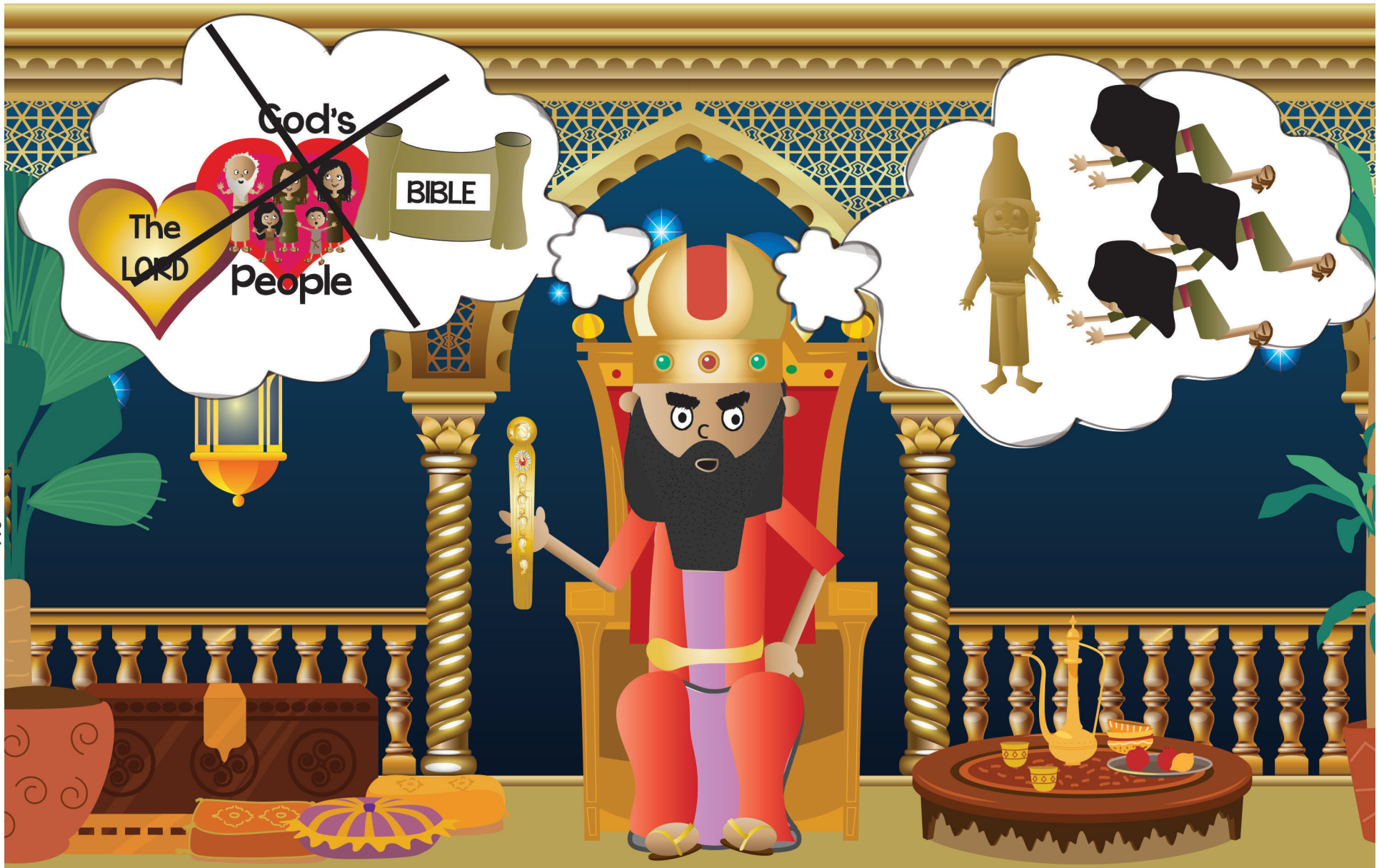
I. "Turn back to Me," the LORD told the people of Judah many times through the prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel. But the people kept on worshipping fake gods. So, the LORD let their enemies come, destroy their city, and take them away to be slaves in faraway Babylon.



2. But not everyone forgot the LORD. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego kept on obeying Him and trusting His promises: “This punishment will turn the people back to Me. My Spirit will change their hearts. One day, I’ll bring them home. Best of all, I’ll send a Savior to save them from their sins.”



3. Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were young, smart and handsome, the very kind of workers Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, wanted. "Go to the king's school and learn about the king and his gods," they were told. "You'll wear rich clothes, eat good food, and help the king."



4. What a good life the king was offering them! But Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego knew this was just a tricky trick. The king wanted them to forget the LORD, and honor him and his fake gods instead. And what would happen if they didn't honor the king or his gods? Time would tell.



5. "I'm the greatest king in the world!" King Nebuchadnezzar boasted. "Everyone should honor me and my gods," he decided. "Build me a great, golden statue," he told his builders. "Make it as high as a tall building. Put it where everyone can gather around and worship," he ordered.



6. The workers built the great, golden statue. Then, the king sent word to all the people: "Gather and worship at my great statue. When you hear the music, fall down and worship me and my gods," he ordered. "And if you don't, you'll be thrown into a hot, fiery furnace," he warned.



7. When the musicians played their music, everyone fell down before the statue and worshipped. All, that is, except Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They knew the LORD was the one, true God, not the king or his gods. They would worship only Him and trust Him to take care of them.



8. Yes, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego stood while everyone else bowed down. Someone noticed and told the king. Nebuchadnezzar was furious! The three men were brought before him, and he said, "Bow down, or be thrown into furnace! What God can rescue you then?"



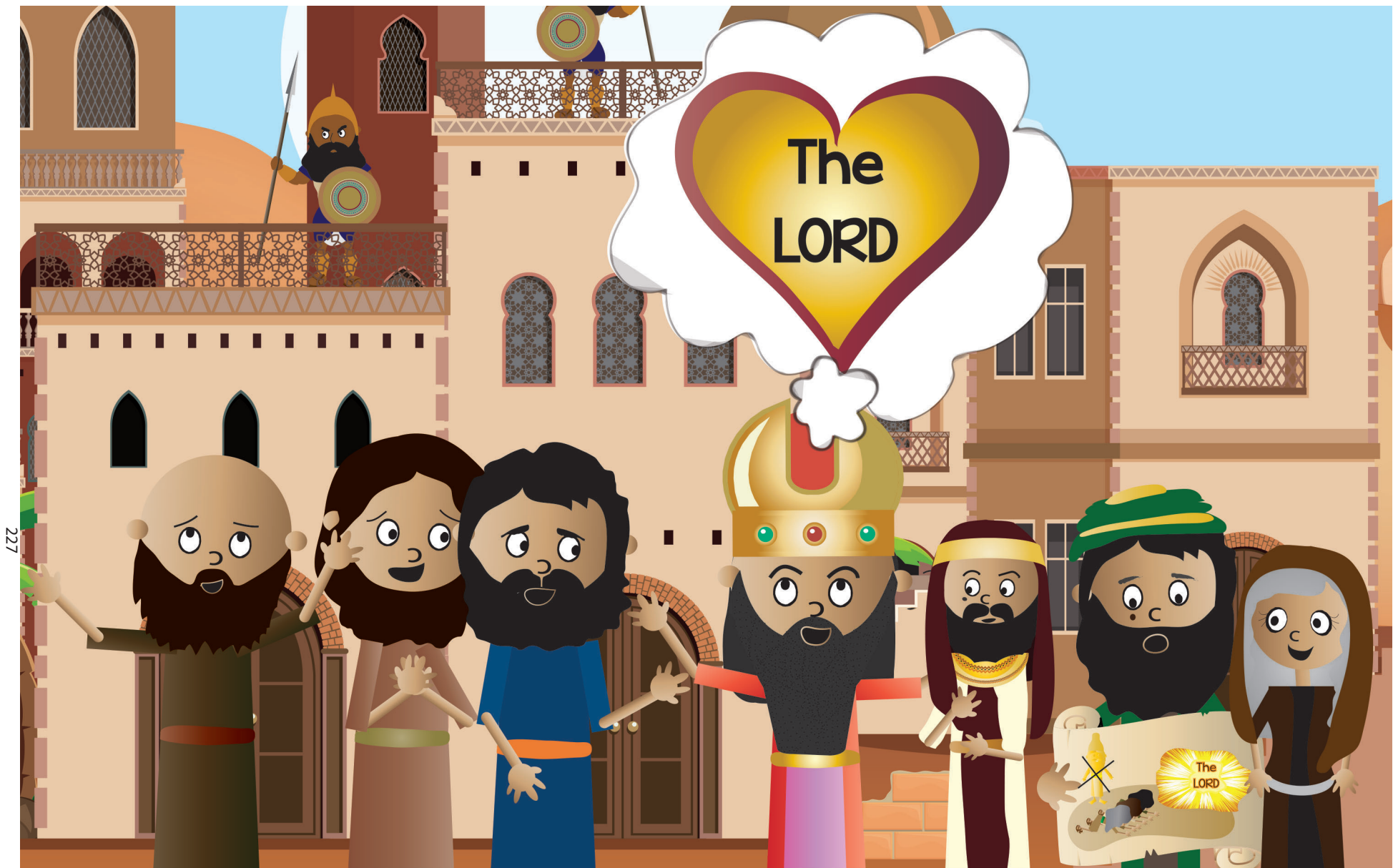
9. "You're wrong, oh king," the men replied. "The LORD, the God we serve, can deliver us if He wants to. And even if He doesn't, we'll keep worshipping Him and be happy with what He wants," they said. "The LORD is the one, true God. He knows and does what's best!"



10. Now, King Nebuchadnezzar was even angrier! "Make the furnace seven times hotter! Tie up these men and throw them in!" he ordered. Soon, the fire was raging hot. It was so hot that the king's men died from the heat as they threw Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego into the flames.



II. Then, King Nebuchadnezzar looked into the furnace and was amazed. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were alive! And there was a fourth, heavenly person, in the furnace with them! "Come out of the fire," the king ordered the men, and they came out, completely unharmed.

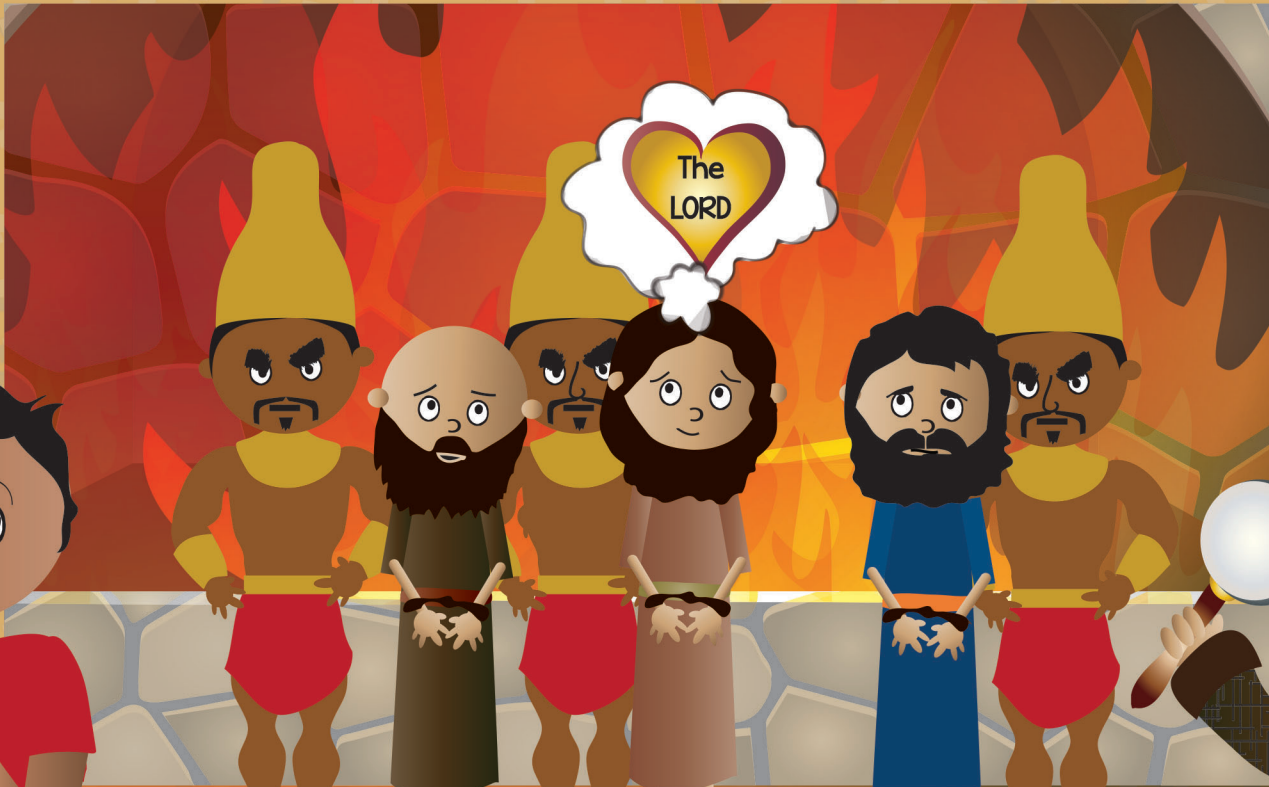


12. No longer did the king want anyone to bow down before him or his statue. He sent out a new order to the people, "Praise to the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They trusted in Him rather than worship my statue. Honor the LORD, their God. What a great God He is!"

"The Case of the Faith that Faced Fire"

Q: "Who trusted God knew what was best, even when they were being thrown into the fiery furnace?"

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GOD'S PEOPLE SHOULD LIVE LIKE JESUS...

By Trusting God and Being Happy with What He Wants!

A: "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego did."

"The Case of the Faith that Faced Fire" Daniel 1-3

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. Who did the king order to be thrown into the fire? Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

2. What did God give them faith to do?
To NOT bow down to the golden statue, but to keep believing and trusting in Him with their whole lives.

For You and Me:

Like Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, the LORD wants us to trust Him and be happy with what He wants, even when it is very hard. The LORD is always good, and His plans are always right, even if we don't understand them. And, He promises to always help His people keep trusting in Him, no matter what. How can we become God's people? By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you trust in Jesus as your Savior, and to help you trust Him with every day of your life! He loves to answer these prayers!

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Proverbs 3:5- 6, ESV

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."

1. Who had to trust in the LORD in ways far bigger than they could understand? Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.

2. How did the LORD show His faithfulness to them?

He helped them to NOT bow down to the golden statue, but to keep on believing and trusting in Him with their whole lives. He protected them from dying in the fiery furnace, too.

For You and Me:

The LORD can always be trusted. He is always up to good. His plans are always perfect. And because He is so much bigger and greater than us, there will be many times when we don't understand the good things He's up to. That's why God's people are told not to lean on their own understanding, but to keep trusting in the LORD. The LORD knows they can't do this on their own. They need His help. And He is happy to give it! He will always give His people everything they need to keep trusting in Him and be happy with what He wants. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, God will help us trust Him and be happy with what He wants for our lives, too.

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Something to Grow Into

How Should God's People Live?

They Should Live Like Jesus...

By Trusting God and Being Happy with What He Wants!

The Gospel



God is always good and we can always trust Him and His plans. But sadly, we all have chosen to doubt God and His good plans. We have all chosen to do things our own way. And for this, we all deserve God's punishment.

But God is so merciful! He sent His Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. Jesus lived a perfect life. Then, on the cross, He gave it as the full payment for the sins of God's people. On Day Three, Jesus rose from the dead. He had really beaten sin and death for them.

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

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Gospel Songs



"The LORD made us to know Him and live for Him. Let's pray to Him now."

A Prayer

We praise You, LORD. You always do what's best.

Thank You that we can always trust You and Your good plans.

Work in our hearts. Help us to trust You. Help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior that we might be Your people.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



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A Prayer

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A God, we praise You for always being good and deserving of our trust. You are always wise and perfect in everything You do and plan.

C God, please forgive us for not trusting You when things happen that we don't like or don't understand. Many times, we start doubting that You know what is best when we should keep on trusting You. We need a Savior!

T Thank You, God, for always doing what is best. Thank You that we can always trust You and be happy with what You allow in our lives. Even if we don't understand, we know You do.

S God, please work in our hearts. Help us turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Help us to love You. Help us to trust You with everything in our lives. Help us to be happy with what You choose, even when it is hard and even when we don't understand.

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!)

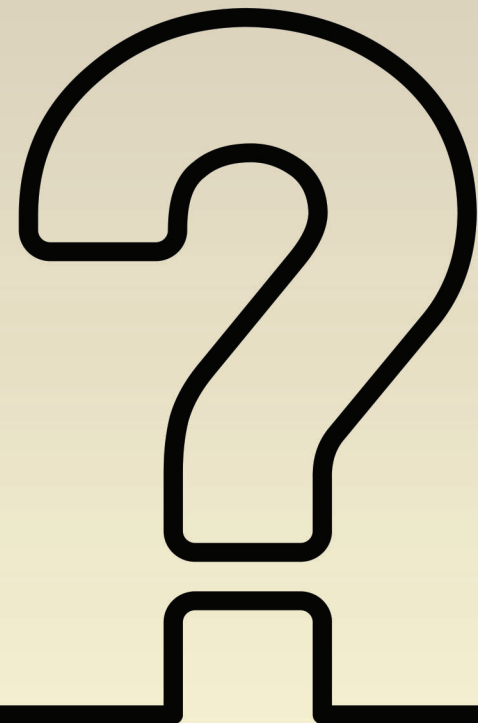


"Deep Down Detectives, it's almost time for me to go. But first, let's celebrate what we've learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let's get bouncy!"

Big Q & A #12

Simple Song

How should God's people live each day?
They should live like Jesus!
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How should God's people live each day?
How should God's people live each day?
They should live like Jesus!



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

Big Question #12 Tell Me More Song How Should God's People Live?

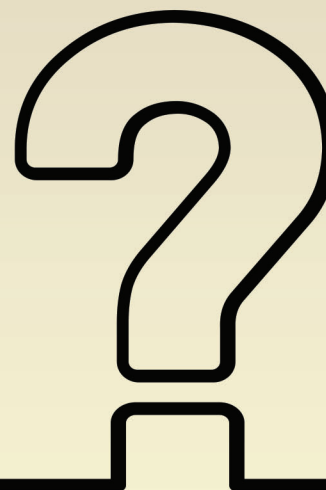
Refrain: How should God's people live?
How should God's people live?
How should God's people live?
They should live like Jesus!

Verse 1

Jesus loved God most of all,
He loved all people, too,
In all that He did and said and thought,
He loved them thru and thru.
Refrain

Verse 2

God's people should love God most of all,
They should love others, too,
And God the Holy Spirit,
Will help them in all they do.
Refrain



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

Big Question #12, Bible Truth 4 Bible Verse Song:
Trust: Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the LORD,
Trust in the LORD,
Trust in the LORD with all your heart,
And do not lean,
And do not lean,
On your own understanding,
In all your ways, acknowledge Him,
In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He will make straight your paths,
And He will make straight your paths.
Proverbs Three, five and six.



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Proverbs Three, five and six.



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

Big Question #12 Hymn
Trust and Obey, Refrain

Trust and obey,
For there's no other way,
To be happy in Jesus,
But to trust and obey.

Big Question #12 Praise Song
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
No turning back, no turning back,

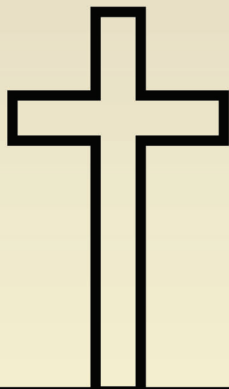


"Let's praise the Lord for being so good! Let's tell Him we want to live for Him!"

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.

