



Detective Dan's Big Question Box



**Big Question #12, Bible Truth 5:
The Case of the Lost Treasure**



"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 fifth of eight missions in this Big Question. Look for your clue in my badge. See if you can find the answer in God's Word. See you soon, Detective Dan!"



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Q: HOW SHOULD GOD'S PEOPLE LIVE?

A: THEY SHOULD LIVE LIKE JESUS...

BY LEARNING GOD'S WORD AND ???? IT.

PSALM
119:11

Hint: "Doing what someone tells
you to do. Starts with an "O"
and rhymes with "okay."

The Deep Down Detectives found the clue, and read: "How Should God's People Live? They Should Live Like Jesus... By Learning God's Word and ???? It. Psalm 119:11" Hint: "Doing what someone tells you to do. Starts with an "O" and rhymes with "okay."

Psalms 119:11

**"I have
stored up your
word in my
heart,**

**that I
might not sin
against you."**



**I Have Stored Up
Your Word
Psalms 119:11,15-16**

The kids knew what to do next. They opened their Bible to Psalms 119:11, and read: "I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you."



Just then, Detective Dan walked in. "Kids! Have you figured out this fifth truth about how God's people should live?" he asked. "We think so! God's people learn God's Word so that can know God and how to obey Him."

Big Q & A 12
Simple
Song



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BY LEARNING GOD'S WORD AND OBEYING IT.

"Our Big Question is: How Should God's People Live? And the answer is: They Should Live Like Jesus...
By Learning God's Word and OBEYING It." "Great job, kids! You did it!"



"Jesus knew God's Word and obeyed it. God's Word gave Jesus strength to fight temptation and to keep on obeying God, His Father, no matter what. God's people need to know God's Word, too. It tells them about God and how He wants them to live. God's Holy Spirit works in the hearts of His people as they hear His Word, helping them understand and giving them strength to obey. We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior."



Bible Chant
Song

"The Case of the Lost Treasure"

Deuteronomy; 2 Kings 22; 23:1-20; 24; 2 Chronicles 34:8-33



"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 Lost Treasure.' Listen for what lost book was found and why Josiah thought it was such a treasure."

"The Case of the Lost Treasure" 2 Kings 22, 23:1-20; 24; 2 Chronicles 34:8-33

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. What was the treasure? And why was it hidden?
2. Who found it and what did they do with it?

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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Psalms 119:1,15,16, ESV

"I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word."

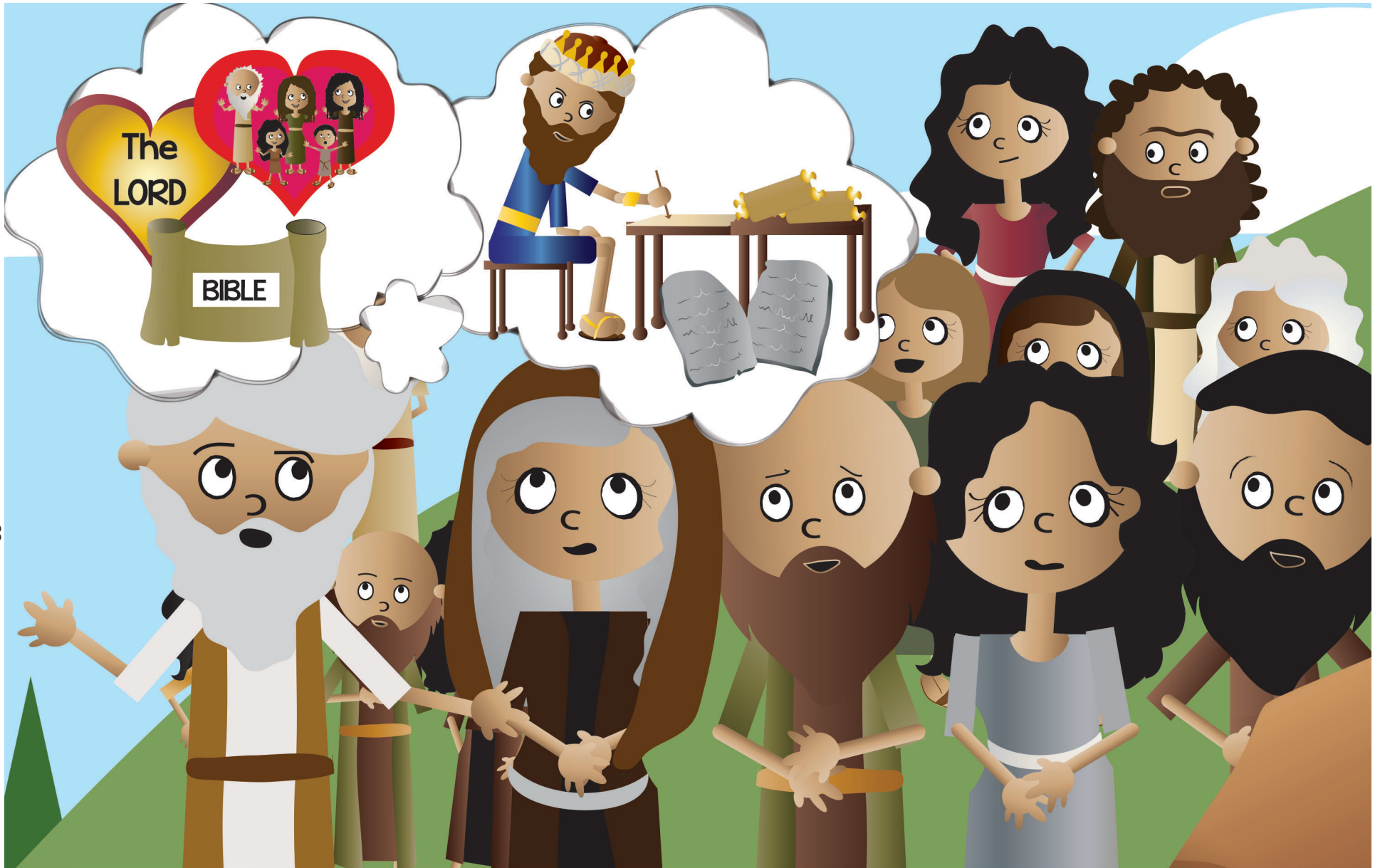
1. Who was supposed to hide God's Word in their hearts by writing down their very own copy of it? Why?
2. What happened when they did this? What happened when they didn't do this?

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

Something to Grow Into



1. Moses was a very old man. He wrote down God's Word and taught God's laws. He had led the people of Israel through the wilderness to the Promised Land. And now, he would soon go to be with the LORD forever. So, he gathered the people together to teach them one last time.



2. "Love the LORD with all your heart, mind, and strength. Keep remembering His laws. Have each king write down his own copy of God's Word, so they won't forget it," Moses urged the people of Israel. "If you keep obeying the LORD, you will enjoy Him and His blessings your whole lives."



3. “We will learn God’s laws and obey them. We will tell our kings to write them down and obey them, too,” the people promised Moses and the LORD that day. Did the people keep their promises? Sometimes. And oh, how God blessed them with many good things when they did!



4. But many times, the people and their kings forgot the LORD and broke their promises. They stopped learning and obeying God's Word. They let the Temple, the LORD's special worship place, fall apart, and worshipped fake gods instead. And oh, what sad times came when they did!



5. This is how things were when young Josiah became king. Josiah's father, Amon, had been one of the bad kings. He worshipped fake gods and ordered the people to worship them, too. He forgot about God's Word and let it be lost. What a terrible king he was!



6. But Josiah led the people in turning back to the LORD. "Get rid of the fake gods! Repair the Temple!" Josiah told his workers. "Smash, crash," the workers broke the fake gods. Then, "Whack, thump," up went new wood and stone as they fixed broken places in the Temple.



7. All that work cost a lot of money, but it was worth it. Soon, they could worship the LORD in the Temple again. But when Hilkiah went to get the money, he found something worth more than all the riches in the world: God's Word, the Bible. It had been long forgotten and thrown away!



8. Hilkiah brought God's Word to Shaphan, King Josiah's helper. "I have found God's Word in the Temple. Take it." Shaphan took it and read it. Then, HE took it to King Josiah to read to him.



9. For the first time, Josiah heard how LORD created the world and how He rescued the people of Israel from Egypt. He heard about God's good laws and the covenant promises the LORD and the people made to each other. Josiah loved God's Word. It was a treasure, better than gold.



10. But Josiah's happiness turned to fear. The people and their kings had broken their promises to the LORD. They had not learned or obeyed His Word. "Oh, no! What should we do?" exclaimed King Josiah. "We deserve God's terrible punishment for breaking our promises to Him!"



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King Josiah

II. "Since you want to learn my Word and obey it, I won't punish the people as they deserve," the LORD told Josiah. Amazing! The LORD was merciful and would keep them as His people. And Josiah promised to be a good king who would teach God's Word to the people and help them obey it.



12. So, Josiah gathered the people together and read God's Word to them. As they listened, God worked in their hearts, helping them turn back to Him. All together they prayed, "LORD, we will worship You. We will learn Your Word and obey it." And they did, all the days Josiah was king.

"The Case of the Lost Treasure"

Q: "What lost book was found and why did Josiah think it was such a treasure?"

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younger
kids



GOD'S PEOPLE SHOULD LIVE LIKE JESUS...

By Learning God's Word and Obeying It!

A: "The Bible was found. Josiah treasured it because it was God's Word."

"The Case of the Lost Treasure" 2 Kings 22; 23:1-20; 24; 2 Chronicles 34:8-33

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

1. What was the treasure? And why was it hidden?
It was a book: the Bible, God's Word. It was hidden because King Amon and the people didn't care about it. They put it in a room and forgot about it until it was lost.

2. Who found it and what did they do with it?
King Josiah's workers found it. They gave it to the king to read. He asked God for forgiveness and helped the people obey it again.

For You and Me:
God's Word is filled with good things for God's people, who lived long ago. But it is filled with good things for us, too. God's Word can teach us. From it, we can learn about God and how He wants us to live. He can use it to help us turn away from our sins and put our trust in Jesus as our Savior. It can be a great treasure that God uses to bless us every day of our lives.

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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Psalms 119:11,15,16, ESV

"I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word."

1. Who was supposed to hide God's Word in their hearts by writing down their very own copy of it? Why?

The kings so they would know God's Word and lead the people in loving and obeying God.

2. What happened when they did this? What happened when they didn't do this? God helped them to love Him. He helped them obey it. He blessed the people. But, when they didn't, they turned away from loving God and obeying His Word. The people suffered.

For You and Me:

God didn't just want people long ago to know His Word and obey it from their hearts. He wants us to, also. God loves to work in our hearts as we learn His Word. He loves to use it to help us turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He loves to use it to help us know Him and to live for Him. Ask Him to use His Word to work in your heart! He loves to answer this prayer.

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Something to Grow Into

How Should God's People Live?
They Should Live Like Jesus...
By Learning God's Word and Obeying It!

The Gospel

There is so much to love about the Bible, God's Word! Through it, we can learn the truth about God and about ourselves. We learn that we have all chosen to disobey God and deserve His punishment.

But God's Word also tells us about God's mercy in sending Jesus, His Son, to be the Savior we need. It tells us that Jesus lived a perfect life, then on the cross, He gave it up to pay for the sins of God's people. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead. He had really beaten sin and death for them!

Best of all, the Bible tells us that now, whoever turns away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior can become God's people. Their sins are forgiven. They get to know God in their hearts, now. And one day, they will go live with Him forever.

God can help you become one
of His people, too. Ask
Him! He loves
to help us!

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Gospel Songs

Something to Grow Into



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

A Prayer

We praise You, LORD. You gave us Your Perfect Word, the Bible.

Thank You that You use Your Word to help us know and obey You.

Work in our hearts. Help us to learn Your Word and obey it. 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



Something to Grow Into

A Prayer

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A God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Word, the Bible. Through it, we can see how amazing You are!

C God, please forgive us for not loving Your Word as we should. Too many times we choose to not read Your Word but do other things instead. Too many times, even when we do read Your Word, we forget it and do not obey it. We need a Savior!

T Thank You, God, for telling us so much about Yourself and Your great plans through the Bible. Thank You for telling us about Jesus and how we can be saved. Thank You for showing us how to live and promising to help us through Your powerful Word.

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 Your Word, the Bible. Send Your Holy Spirit to help us understand it and obey it. Help us to live like You want us to live. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.



ACTS Prayer Song



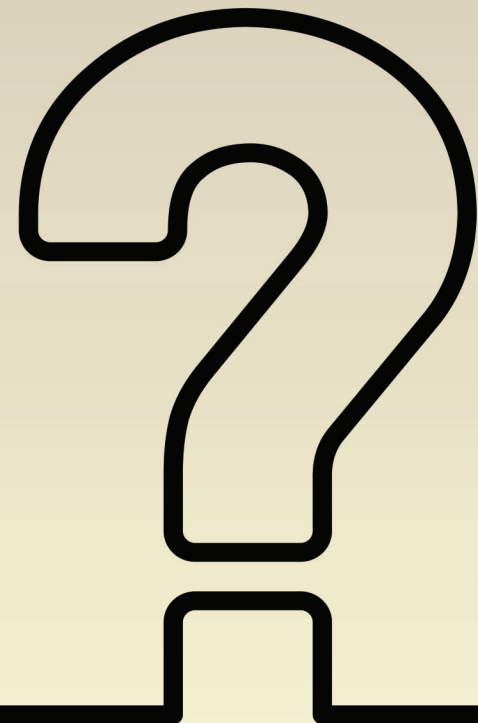


"Deep Down Detectives, it's almost time for me to go. But first, let's celebrate what we've learned with a little Wiggle and Worship Time. Stand up and let's get bouncy!"

Big Q & A #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?

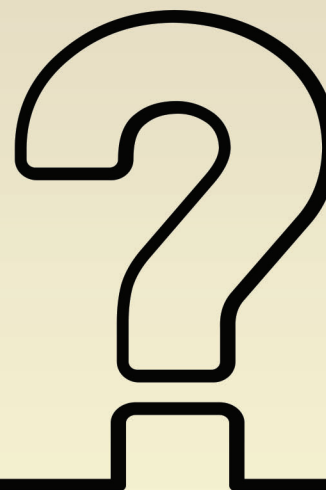
Refrain: How should God's people live?
How should God's people live?
How should God's people live?
They should live like Jesus!

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 5 Bible Verse Song:

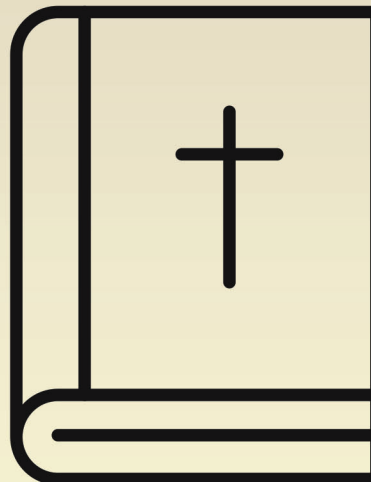
I Have Stored Up Your Word: Psalm 119:11,15,16



I have stored up your word in my heart,
That I might not sin against you,
I have hidden your word in my heart,
That I might not sin against you.

I'll meditate on your precepts,
And fix my eyes on your ways.
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I will not forget your word,

I have stored up your word in my heart,
That I might not sin against you,
I have hidden your word in my heart,
That I might not sin against you.
Psalm One-nineteen, eleven through sixteen.



"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,

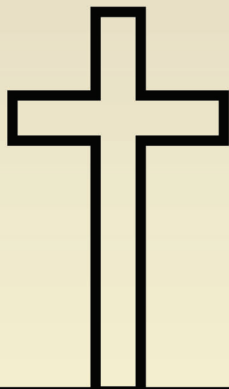


"Let's praise the Lord for being so good! Let's tell Him we want to live for Him!"

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.

