

Deep Down Discussion Sheet

use with all THREE lessons

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response activities
for deeper learning**P.1***Questions to aid discussion of the key concepts and for use in games*

Be familiar with these questions and answers. Look for opportunities to ask questions and discuss their answers, such as while the children work on their coloring pages, as part of their response games, or during play time. Remember: your goal isn't to ask all these questions or only talk to the children about these things. It's to be deliberate in having good conversations with them, however much or little you have.

BIG QUESTION	Why Do God's People Go to Church? To Worship God and Love One Another!
Meaning	A church is God's people gathering together. Some churches meet in special buildings. Some churches meet in homes. Some meet outside. No matter where they meet, when God's people gather together, they are a church. When God's people gather together as a church, they worship God. They worship Him for being the one, true God who is not like anyone else. They worship Him for saving them through Jesus. They sing songs and pray to God. They listen to the Bible and learn how to obey it. God's people also gather together to love one another. They talk with each other, and take care of each other, and pray for each other. The Bible tells us that God's people are to meet together often. It tells us that when they gather together, Jesus will be there with them in a special way. We can be God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, we will gather together with God's people to worship God and love one another, too!
Discussion Questions	1. Why do God's people go to church? <i>To worship God and love one another.</i> 2. What is the name of God's people meeting together? <i>A church.</i> 3. Where do churches meet? <i>Sometimes in buildings, sometimes in homes, sometimes outside.</i> 4. Who do God's people worship when they meet together? <i>God.</i> 5. What kinds of things do they worship about God? <i>He is the one, true God. He is their Savior.</i> 6. What kinds of things do they do when they meet together? <i>Sing and pray; listen to the Bible and learn how to obey it; love each other.</i> 7. Who promises to be with God's people in a special way when they gather together? <i>Jesus.</i>
<i>choose a few</i>	
BIBLE TRUTH	To Worship God and Love One Another... By Remembering Jesus Died to Save Them! When God's people gather together, they remember how Jesus died to save them. They do this with a special meal called "the Lord's Supper." It's called this because Jesus shared it with His own special followers on the night before He died on the cross.
Meaning	There are only two, little pieces of food eaten at the Lord's Supper: a little piece of bread and a little grape juice or wine. That's because it's not really about eating a whole, big meal. It's about remembering what Jesus did for God's people when He died on the cross. The bread stands for Jesus' body, that He offered up for the sins of God's people. He took in His body, the punishment they deserved from God for their sins. He did this so they would never have to know that punishment themselves. The grape juice or wine stands for Jesus' blood shed when He died on the cross. Blood was a part of every big, covenant promise. It reminded everyone that this promise must be kept, no matter what. Jesus said the juice/wine was to remind God's people of His blood given to make a new covenant/forever promise with God. It meant that no matter what, His payment for their sins was enough. They would always be forgiven. They would always be God's people, having special closeness with Him now. And one day, living with Him forever. When God's people take the Lord's Supper, it is a very special time. People are usually very quiet. Many think about the ways they have disobeyed God and ask for His forgiveness. Many thank God for sending Jesus to save them. Jesus told God's people that they were to keep on celebrating this special meal until He comes back at the end of time. Only God's people who repent of their sins, trust in Jesus as their Savior, and are baptized should take the Lord's Supper. We can become God's people, too, when we repent of our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.
Discussion Questions	1. What is the name of the special meal God's people take to remember Jesus' death? <i>The Lord's Supper.</i> 2. Why is the Lord's Supper called that? <i>Because it was the special meal that Jesus ate with His special followers right before He died.</i> 3. What does the little piece of bread stand for? <i>Jesus' body given for His people on the cross.</i> 4. What does the little bit of juice/wine stand for? <i>Jesus' blood poured out to make the forever promise with God to save them.</i> 5. What do God's people think about when they take the Lord's Supper? <i>How they have disobeyed God. How thankful they are that Jesus died to save them.</i> 6. How long did Jesus tell God's people to take the Lord's Supper? <i>Until He comes back.</i> 7. Who is to take the Lord's Supper? <i>God's people when they gather together as a church. Your parents and the godly leaders who lead your church can help you know if you are ready to take it.)</i> 8. How can we become God's people? <i>By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.</i>
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THE GOSPEL	What is God's good news for you and me? <i>The gospel! We have all disobeyed God and deserve His punishment. But God is so merciful that He sent His Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. Jesus lived a perfect life and offered it up as the full payment for the sins of God's people when He suffered and died on the cross. Then, on the third day, Jesus rose from the dead in victory. He had really beaten sin and death for God's people. Now, all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior are saved and become God's people. This is what God's people celebrate when they take the Lord's Supper together-- the amazing love of God for them. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. And if you do this, then one day, you, too will get to join God's people in remembering how Jesus died to save you by eating this special meal. What a great day that will be! Ask God to help you!</i>
BIBLE TRUTH BIBLE VERSE	"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood." -- Luke 22:19,20, ESV
Meaning	Learn a Little: "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." What does that mean? When God's people gather together at church, they remember how Jesus died on the cross to save them. They remember that He let His body be hurt and His blood be spilled out as He suffered and died for their sins. How do they do this? The way Jesus told His disciples to: with a special little meal of bread and wine or grape juice. The bread is eaten as a way to remember how His body for broken on the cross for their sins. The wine or grape juice is drunk as a way to remember that it was His blood that paid for their sins so they could be forgiven by God. God's people have this special meal often, just like Jesus told them to. How thankful they are for Jesus and all He did for them! We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.
Discussion Questions <i>choose a few</i>	1. Who died to save God's people from their sins? <i>Jesus did.</i> 2. What did Jesus tell God's people to do to remember how He died for them? <i>To eat the Lord's Supper.</i> 3. What food and drink are used at the Lord's Supper? <i>Little pieces of bread and grape juice/wine.</i> 4. Of what does the bread remind God's people? <i>Of Jesus' body. He chose to suffer and die on the cross for them.</i> 5. Of what does the grape juice/wine remind God's people? <i>Of Jesus' blood that was the perfect payment for the sins of God's people.</i> 6. Who should take the Lord's Supper? <i>Only God's people.</i> 7. How can we become God's people? <i>By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.</i>
BIBLE STORY	The Case of the Remembered Rescue
Discussion Questions <i>choose a few</i>	1. What did the people of Israel gather together every year to celebrate? <i>How God had rescued them from their strong enemies, the Egyptians, long ago.</i> 2. What did the Egyptians do to the Israelites? <i>They forced them to work for them and wouldn't let them go.</i> 3. What did God do to rescue the people of Israel? <i>Many amazing things.</i> 4. What did God tell the people of Israel to do on the night before He was going to free them? <i>To take the blood of a lamb and put it on the door of their house. To cook their bread flat. To pack up and get ready to go. They were to eat the lamb and eat the bread at dinner and celebrate what God would do for them.</i> 5. What was the even greater thing that the LORD did for His people? <i>He sent Jesus to be their Savior.</i> 6. What did Jesus do at the Passover dinner? <i>He shared with His close friends, the disciples, that told them what He was about to do? He told them that they were now to remember His body when they ate the flat bread. He was going to give it up for them on the cross. They were now to remember His blood when they drank the Passover wine. He was going to shed His blood on the cross to make a new promise with God to save His people from their sins. His blood would be the perfect payment needed.</i> 7. Why do people at your church still celebrate the Lord's Supper? <i>Because Jesus told us that God's people should keep on remembering Him this way until He comes back.</i> 8. How can we become God's people? <i>By turning from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. If we do, one day we will get to take the Lord's Supper with the believers at our church, too.</i>