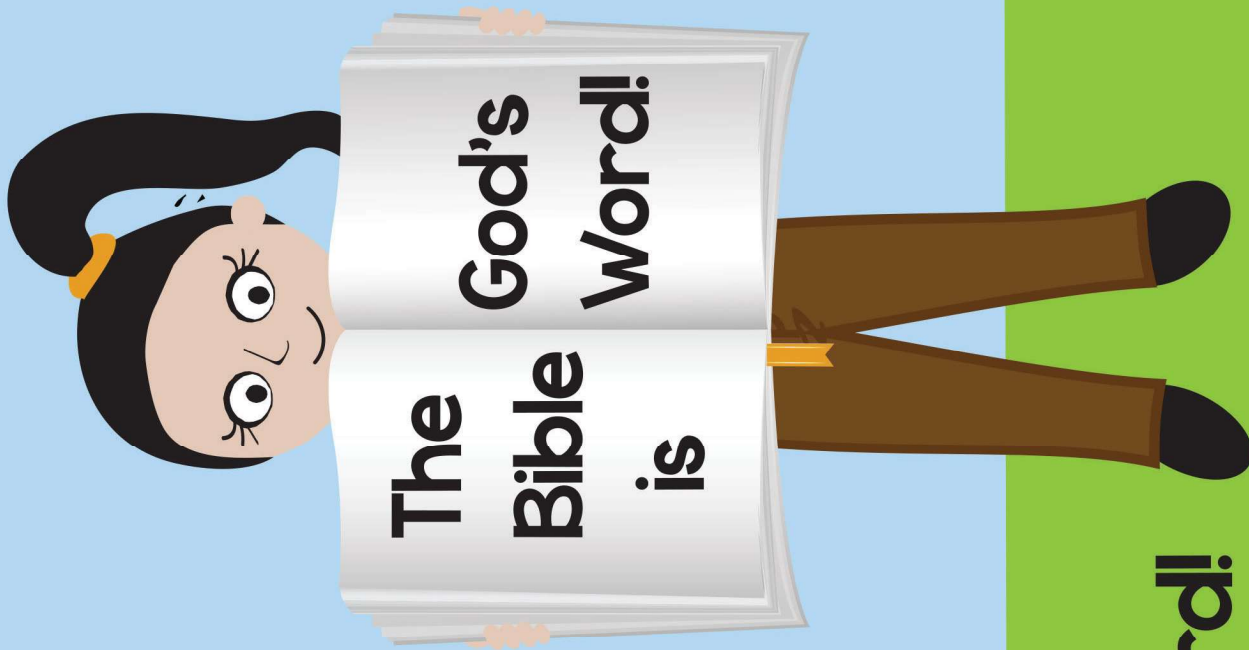




What's so special about the Bible?



ANSWER:

It alone is God's Word!

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The Big Question

*Hold up the Big Question sign for all the children to see,
and say:*

The Big Question we are investigating today is
Big Question Number 2:

What's So Special about the Bible?

and the Answer is:

It Alone Is God's Word!

Meaning:

There are millions of books in the world, but none is like the Bible. It alone is God's perfect Word! God made sure it was written down just right. It tells us everything we need to know God and to live for Him. It is powerful to do everything God wants it to do. Everything else in this world may come and go, but God's Word will last forever. It will always prove true.

Let's sing our Big Question Song: "

Big Q & A 2 Song

DDD NIV Songs 2, track 12

(adapted version of "Three, Blind Mice")

What's so special about the Bible?

It alone is God's Word!

It alone is God's Word!

It's always true,

It can make you wise,

It can work pow'r'f'ly in your life.

It alone is God's Word!

It alone is God's Word!

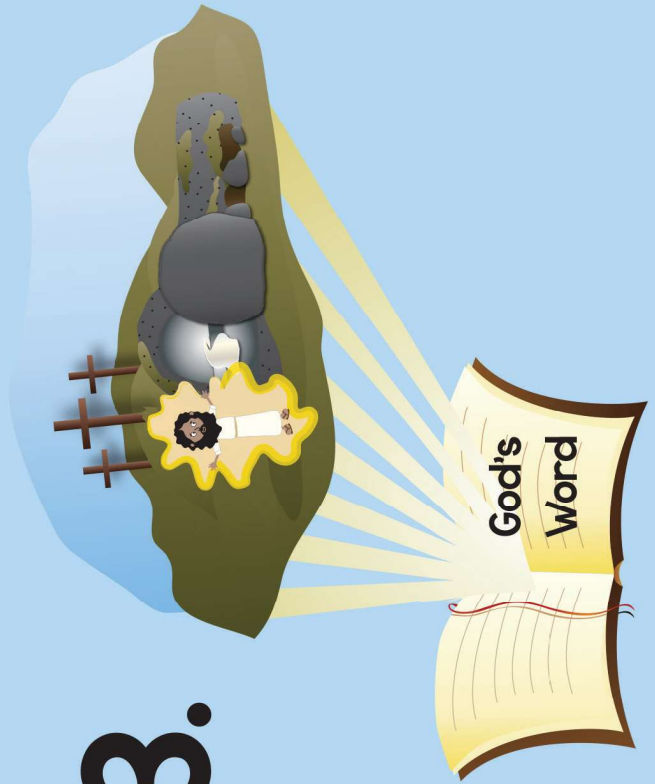
BIG QUESTION 2: Four ways God's Word Is Special

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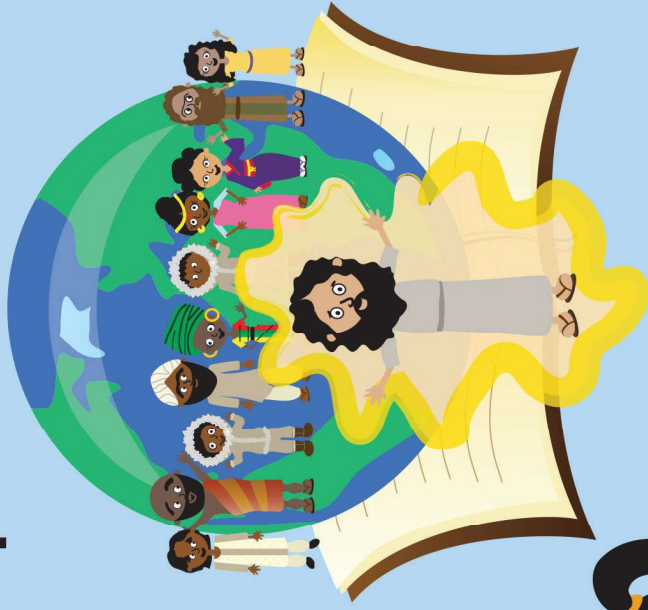
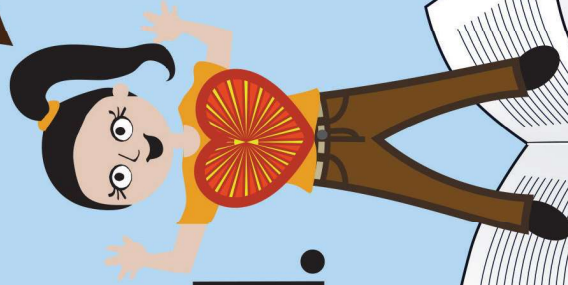
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This Unit's Bible Truths

"Knowing that the Bible alone is God's Word is a good beginning, but there's so more to learn. So it's time for us to dig down even deeper for more answers to our Big Question about God. We're going to be learning **FOUR** Bible truths that all tell us more about what makes the Bible so special.

Let's look at our Bible Truth Clue and figure out which of these four truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

Choose a child to get it out and hand it to you. Then hold it up and show them the pictures of the four truths they will be learning.

After everyone has had a good look, say...

"Ok, we've learned two ways the Bible is so special. They are: God made sure it was written down just right; and, It tells us about God and His plans. (Point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth.) Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue and see if we can figure out which of these four truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue and hand it to you.

CAN YOU GUESS BIBLE TRUTH 3?

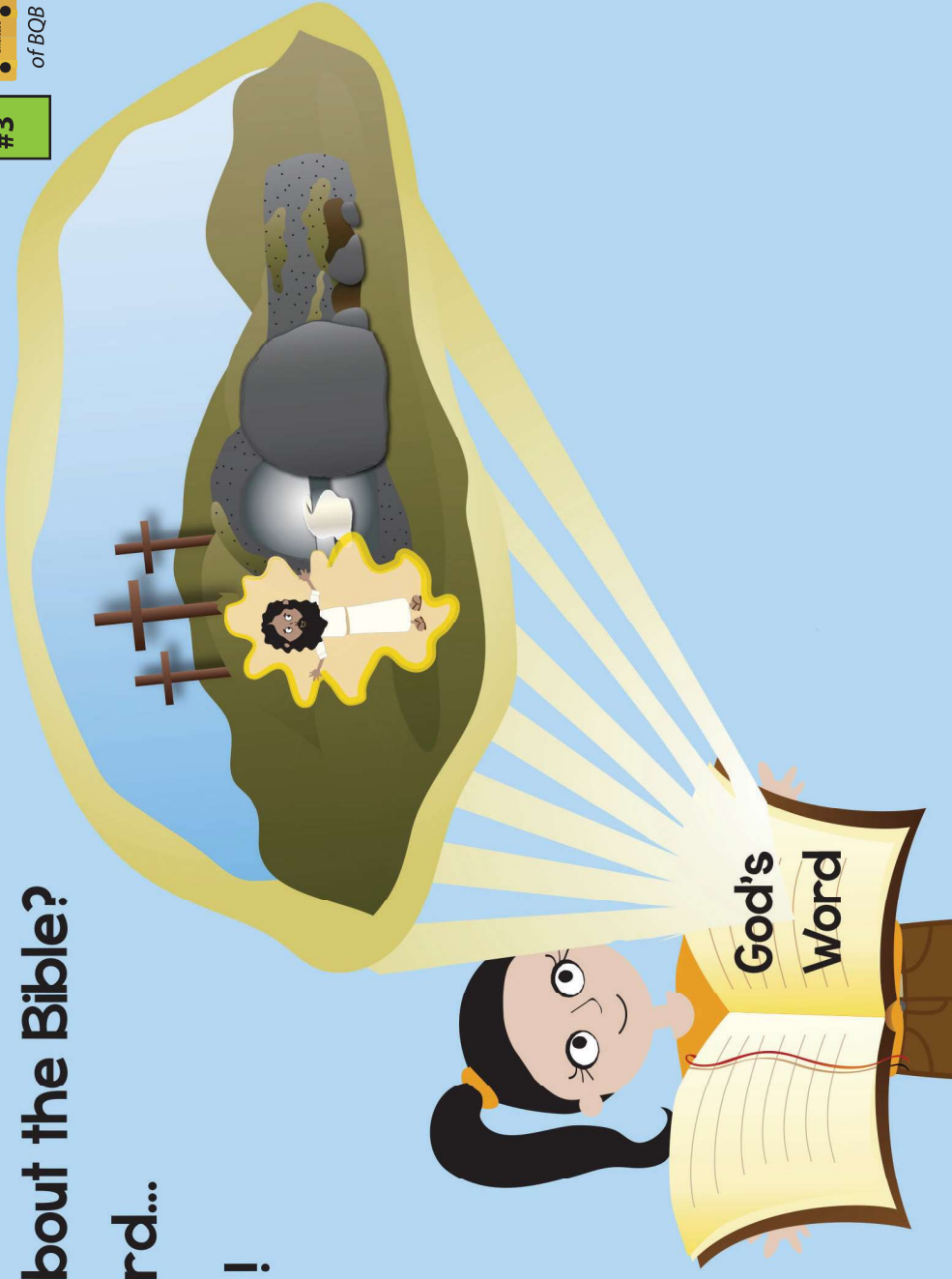
What's So Special about the Bible?

It Alone Is God's Word...

God uses it to ??? us!

HINT: What God does for us
through Jesus.
It rhymes with "brave."

ANSWER:
God uses it to SAVE us!



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Revealing the Bible Truth

We Are Learning

Hold up the front side for the children to see. Cover up the answer, written along the bottom, and say:

**“What’s So Special about the Bible?
It Alone Is God’s Word...
God uses it to ??? His people!**

We are missing one word. Here’s the hint to what the missing word is. It says: “What is the Bible word for God forgiving our sins and making us His people? It rhymes with “brave?”

Can you guess? It’s save”!

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

(uncover answer from bottom of sign, show it to them and say:)

**“What’s So Special about the Bible?
It Alone Is God’s Word...
God uses it to SAVE His people!**

And here what this Bible Truth means:

(read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:)

We read books to know things. We read the Bible to know things, too. The Bible tells us about God and His plans to save sinful people like you and me. It tells us that God is good, but that we have all disobeyed Him. It tells us of how Jesus came to save us from our sins. These are very, very good things for us to learn from the Bible.

But the Bible does more than just help us LEARN about God and His plans. God has made it powerful to DO wonderful things inside of us. God uses His Word to save us from our sins and make us His people. God does this through His Holy Spirit, working in our hearts as we think about His Word. The Holy Spirit helps us to want us to turn to God and ask for His forgiveness. He helps us put our trust in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to work through His Word and save people. He can work through His Word and save us, too. Ask Him!



Holy Spirit

**"You have been born again,
not of perishable seed
but of imperishable,
through the living and abiding
word of God." of God."**

1 Peter 1:23

Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse

Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:

1 Peter 1:23 tells us:

"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."

Learn a Little: "You have been born again... through the word of God."

What does that mean?

When we become one of God's people, God calls that being born AGAIN. No, our mothers don't give birth to us again. No, we don't become little babies like we were. But, it IS a new beginning of life--only this time it's life with God.

How do we have this new beginning of life with God? God's Holy Spirit works in our hearts as we think about God's Word. He helps us want to turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as our Savior. We tell God about our sins and He forgives them all. He gives us a new heart that knows Him and loves Him and wants to live for Him.

This new life with God makes us a new person on the inside--in our heart. That's why God says we are born again when we become His people. And the amazing thing about this new life with God is that it never ends. We will NEVER perish! When we die, we will go to live with God forever! God loves to help us have this new life. Ask Him to help you!

"We've said our Bible verse, now let's sing it!"

For You Have Been Born Again: 1 Peter 1:23

DDD ESV Songs 2, track 26

You have been born again, not of perishable seed,
But through the living and abiding word of God.
You have been born again, not of perishable seed,
But through the living and abiding word of God.
First Peter One, verse twenty-three.

"Now it's time to do a bit more deep down investigating. Let's read what Detective Dan wants us to help him figure out. Would someone like to get it out for me?"

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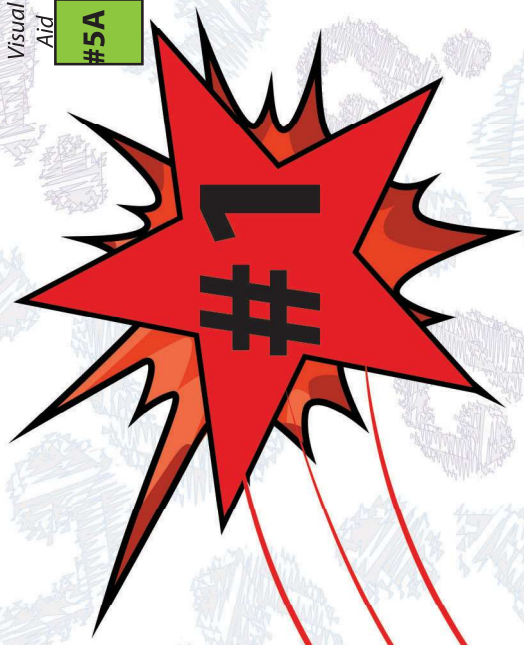


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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

Detective Dan's

Listening Assignment #1



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm working on a brand-new case called:

"The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed."

I need to find out:

1. Who were the fishermen?

AND

2. Who did they follow? What happened to them as they heard God's Word?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!

Detective Dan

Then say, "Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all of his questions."

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it.

At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Answers:

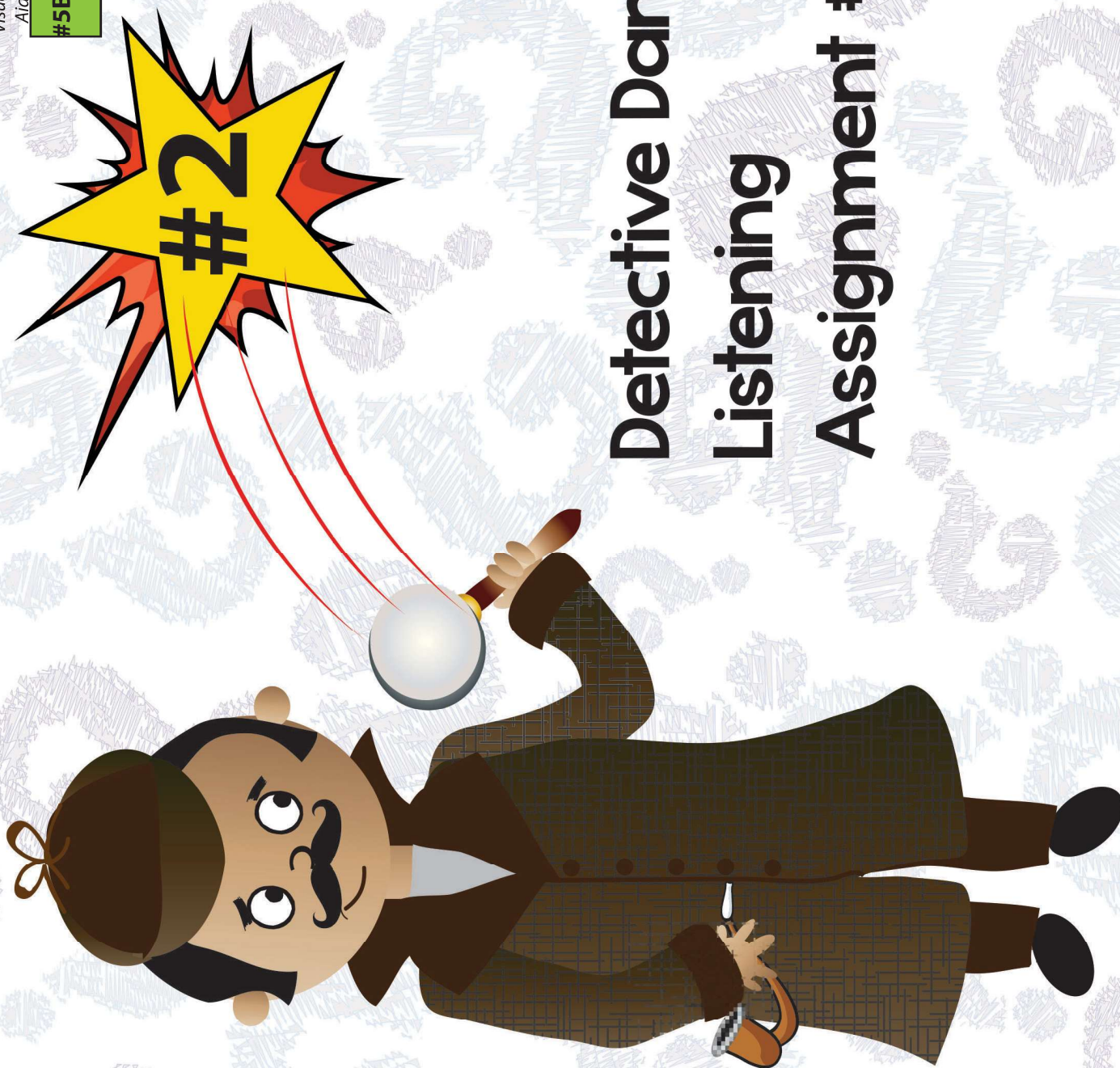
1. Who were the fishermen? Peter, Andrew, James and John.

2. What happened to them as they heard God's Word? Who did they follow?

God's Holy Spirit worked in their hearts and they began to believe in Jesus. They became Jesus' disciples--His special friends who followed Him as He taught God's Word and did amazing things.

For You and Me:

God can work in our hearts, too, when we hear God's Word. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.



Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed."

Our Bible Verse is 1 Peter 1:23:

"You have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God."

When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus, this is called being born again. That's because this is how God gives us a new life as one of His people. God uses His Word, the Bible to do this wonderful thing inside our hearts.

1. What happened as the fishermen listened to Jesus teach from God's Word, the Bible?

AND

2. What did God's Holy Spirit help some of the fishermen write down? Which of the fishermen wrote down the words to our Bible verse?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks for your help!

Detective Dan

Then say, "Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all of his questions."

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Answers:

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When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus, this is called being born again. That's because this is how God gives us a new life as one of His people. God uses His Word, the Bible to do this wonderful thing inside our hearts.

1. What happened as the fishermen listened to Jesus teach from God's Word, the Bible? God's Holy Spirit worked in their hearts and they began to believe in Jesus. They became Jesus' disciples--His special friends who followed Him as He taught God's Word and did amazing things.

2. What did God's Holy Spirit help some of the fishermen write down? Which of the fishermen wrote down the words to our Bible verse? He helped them write down parts of His Word, the Bible. Peter did.

For You and Me:

God can work in our hearts, too, when we hear God's Word. We can ask our teachers and our parents to help us understand what we hear. We can ask God to work in our hearts and help us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.

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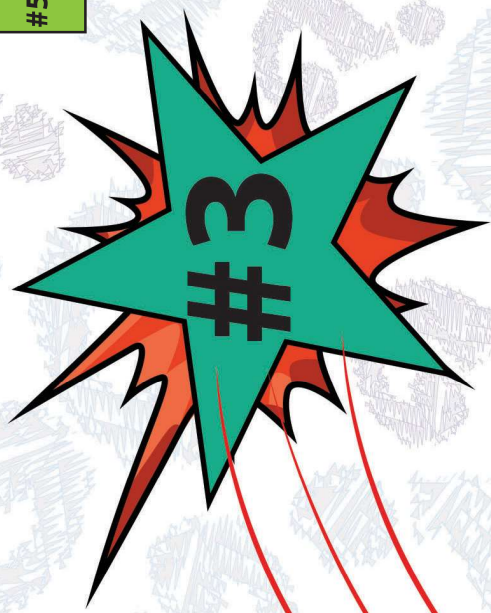


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Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3

Detective Dan's

Listening Assignment #3



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

I'm still working on the case called:

"The Case of the Fishermen Who Followed."

I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story. They are: a rabbit; a market; a net full of fish; the moon; a bad guy; and, a book.

Hold up each of the six pictures for the children to see as you identify them. Better yet, put them up on your flannelgraph board, off to one side.

I need to know:

1. Which FOUR pictures belong in the story and which TWO do NOT?

2. Who confessed to Jesus that he was a sinful man? What did Jesus do?

Can you help me? Listen carefully to the story and you might just hear the answers!

Thanks!

Detective Dan

Then say, "Ok, Deep Down Detectives! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can hear the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we will see if we can answer all of his questions."

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

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Answers:

1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't?

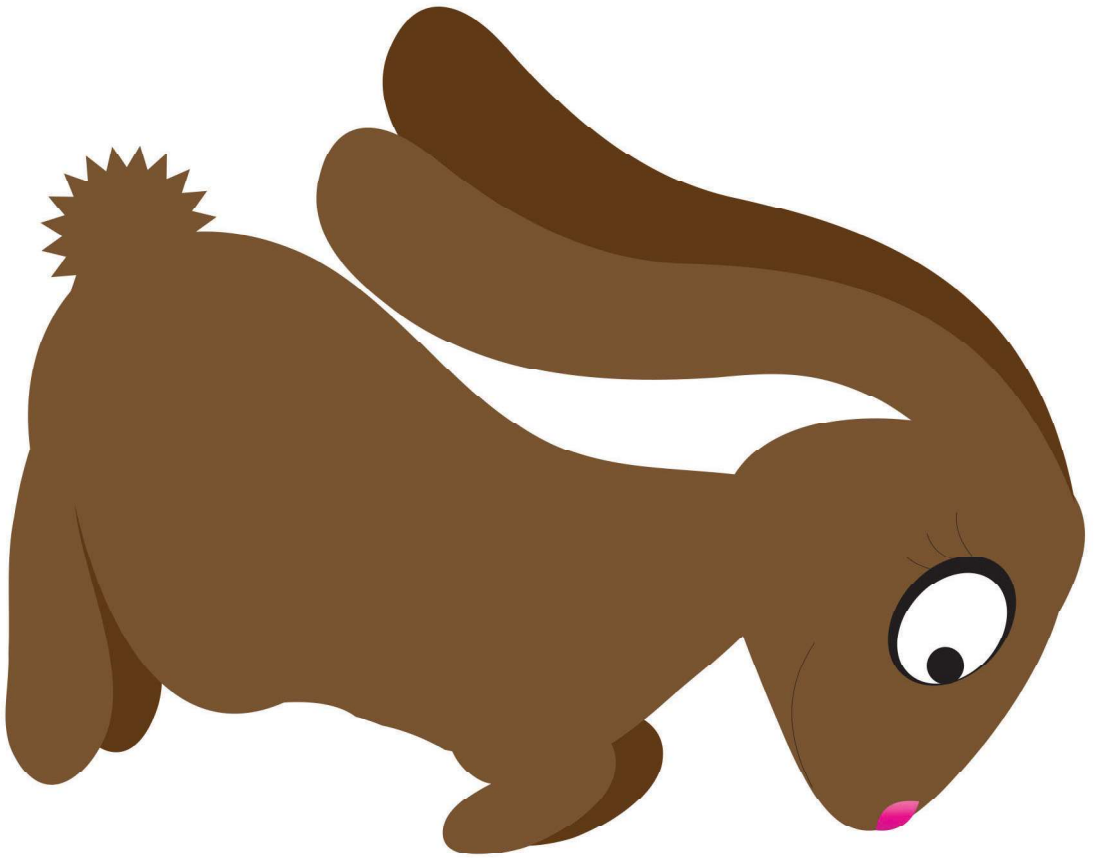
The market; the net full of fish; the moon and the book were in our story. The rabbit and the bad guy were not.

2. Who confessed to Jesus that he was a sinful man? What did Jesus do?

Peter confessed that he was a sinful man. Jesus would be Peter's Savior. He asked Peter (and the other fishermen) to come follow Him as His disciples.

For You and Me:

Like Peter, we are sinners who need to confess our sins and be forgiven. We can trust in Jesus as our Savior. We can be one of God's dearly loved people. God loves to help us do this! Ask Him!



A Rabbit



A Market



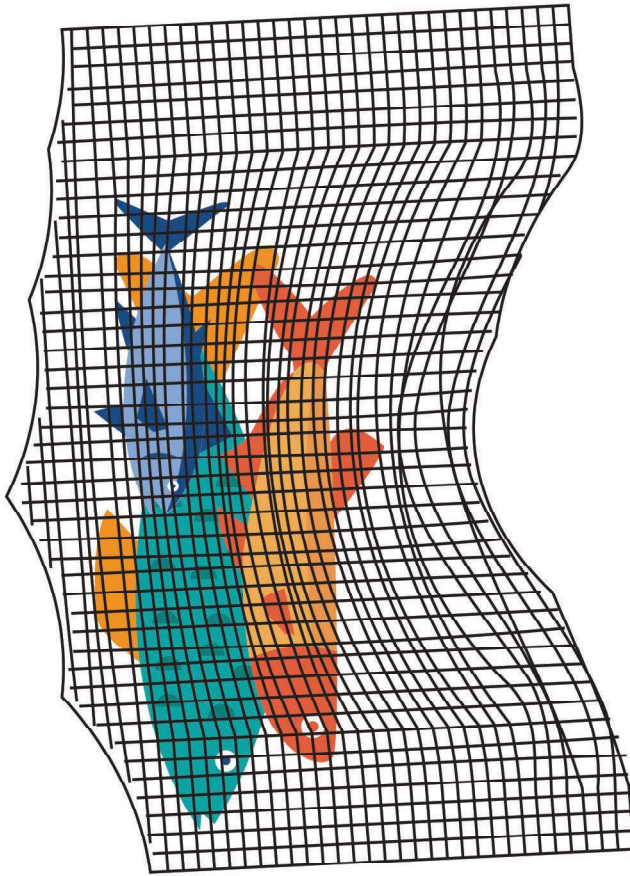
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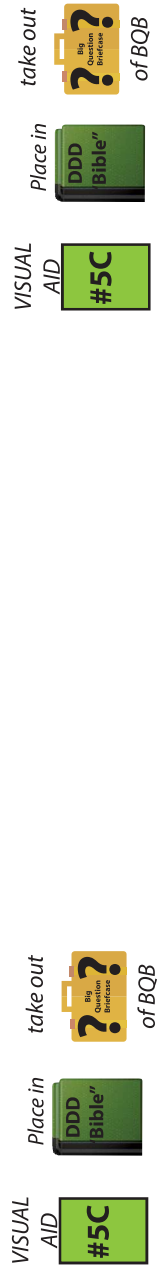


A Net Full of Fish



The Moon

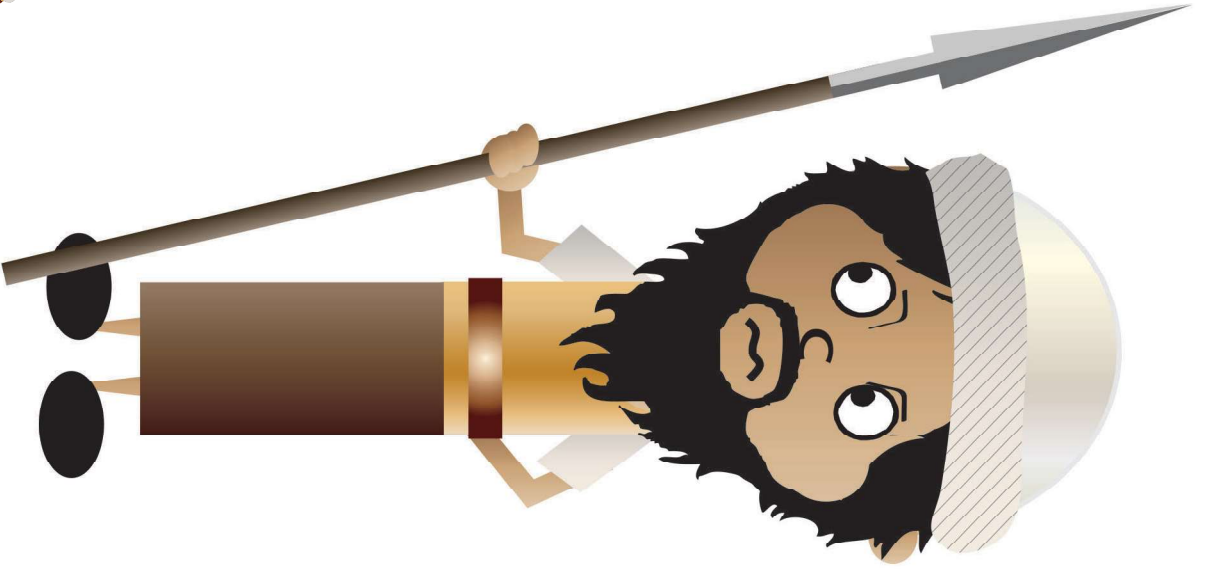




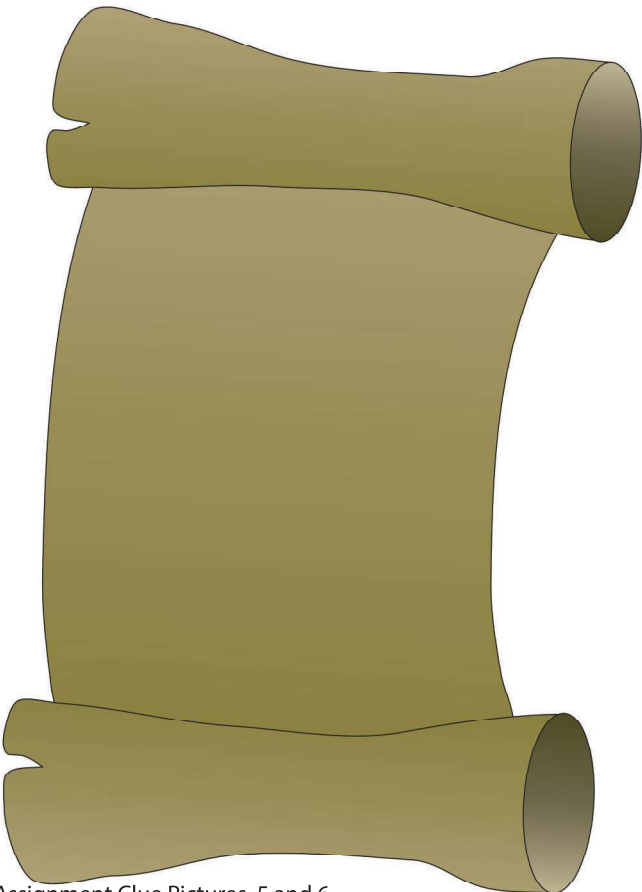
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A Bad Guy



A Book



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