

### 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 3:

What Is the Gospel?

and the Answer is:

## It's Salvation through Faith in Jesus Christ!

#### Meaning:

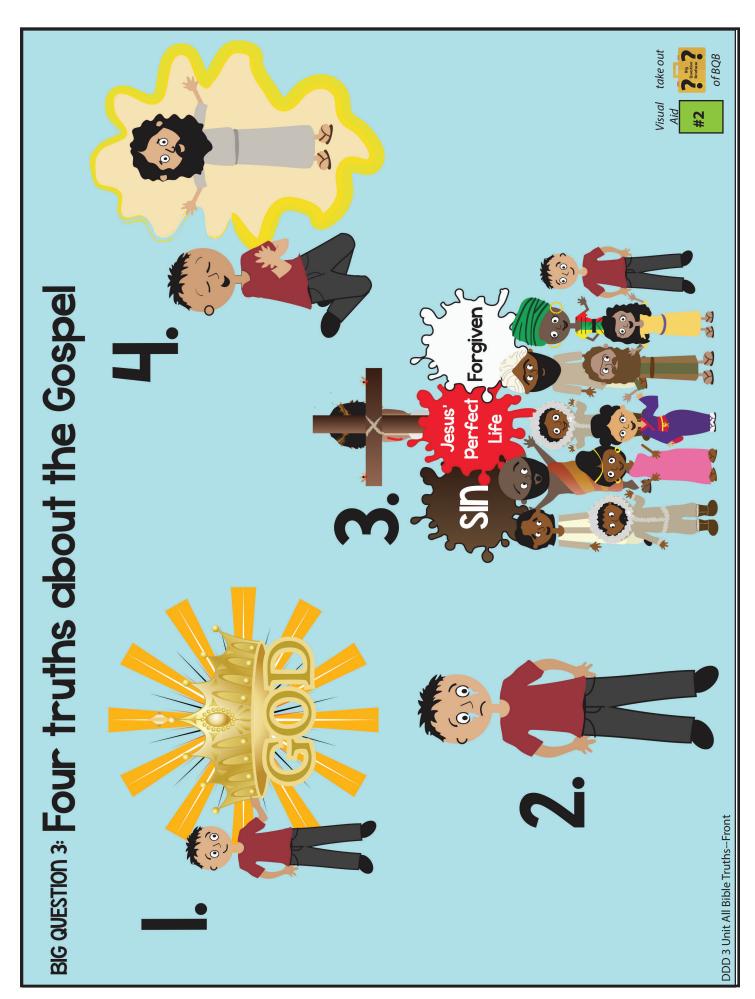
Gospel means "good news." In the Bible, the gospel is the good news that God sent His Son Jesus to save sinners like you and me from the punishment we deserve for our sins. That salvation is ours when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our own Savior. Now that is good news indeed!

Let's sing our Big Question Song:

### Big Q & A 3 Song

DDD ESV Songs 3, track 12 (adapted version of "Oh, My Darlin' Clementine")

What's the gospel?
What's the gospel?
Can you tell me what it is?
It's salvation through faith in Jesus,
That's what the gospel is. (repeat)



#### about God. We're going to be learning FOUR Bible truths that all tell us more about the wonderful good news of Goddig down even deeper for more answers to our Big Question beginning, but there's so more to learn. So it's time for us to "It's salvation through faith in Jesus Christ" is a good This Unit's Bible Truths

-the gospel. Who would like to hand me the picture with our four Bible

truths on it? It's in the Big Question Box/Briefcase." Choose a child to get it 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...

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

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



# 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 Is the Gospel?

It's Salvation through Faith in Jesus Christ!
God made us and we should ???? Him!"

We're missing one word. Here's the hint to what the missing word is. It says: "Doing what someone tells us to do. It rhymes with "today."

Can you guess? It's "obey."

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

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

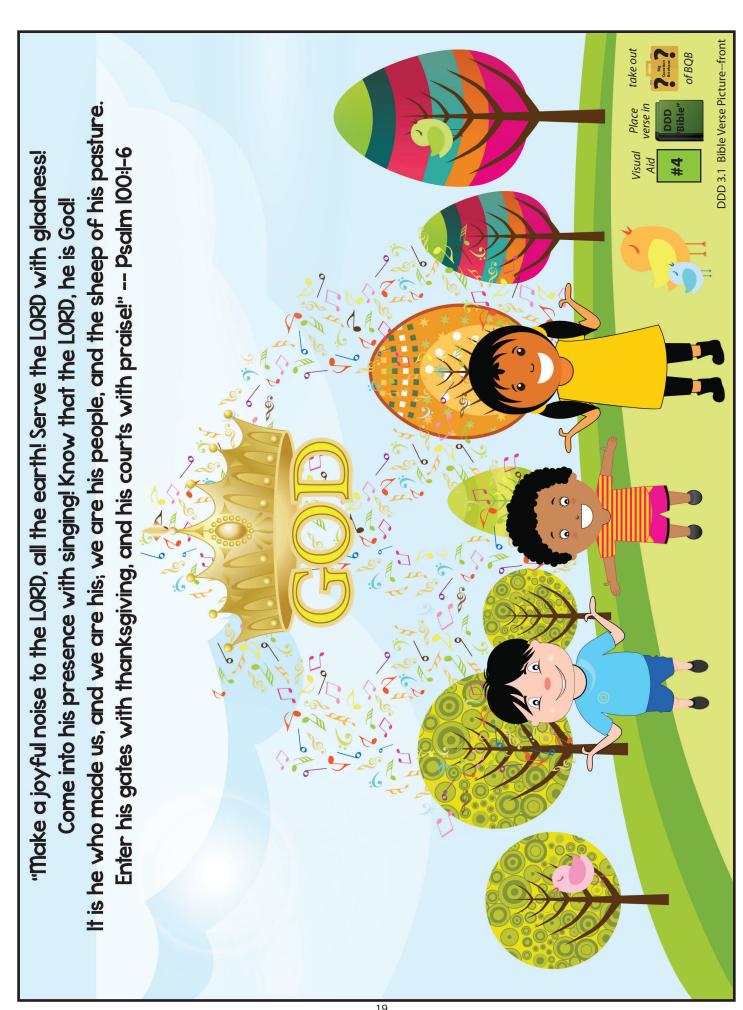
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It's Salvation through Faith in Jesus Christ! God made us and we should OBEY Him!"

And here is what this Bible Truth means:

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

Who made the world and everything in it? God did! He made it perfectly, back in the very beginning! Everything He made was good. There was no sin in it. It was all just exactly as He planned. Not only did God make us and the world we live in, He rules over it all. He takes care of us and keeps the world going. He gives us good laws to live by--and consequences if we disobey Him. God is our good King. He knows what is best for us and wants us to live that way. We should worship, love and obey Him.



## Bible Truth | Bible Verse

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

Psalm 100:1-6 tells us

#### Psalm 100:1-6, ESV

"Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!"

**Learn a Little:** "Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us."

#### What does that mean?

God is the good King and Creator of us all. God's people love to praise Him and tell Him how much they love Him and how wonderful He is. They are so happy to be His people who He cares for and loves. They thank Him for being so good to them.

Because God's people are so happy about being His people, it's not enough for them to quietly worship Him. They want to make a joyful noise and sing loudly to Him. They want everyone--the whole earth--to praise God along with them. They want them to gather together with them at church and sing, sing, sing to the LORD, the great and good king!

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#### Nake a Joyful Noise: Psalm 100:1-6

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DDD ESV Songs 3, track 19

#### Refrain:

Make a joyful noise, make a joyful noise, Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Make a joyful noise, make a joyful noise, Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Know that the LORD, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his. Refrain

We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O, Enter His gates, His gates with thanksgiving, And his courts with praise! Refrain

Psalm One-hundred, one through six.

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DDD 3.1 Bible Verse Picture--Back



## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

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

"The Case of the God Who Was Different."



I. Who was the God who was different?
AND

2. What made Him so different?

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 was the god who was different? The LORD was the god who was so different.
- **2. What made Him so different?** He was the one, true, living God. He was no fake god, like those the people of Athens worshipped.

#### For You and Me:

The people of Athens worshipped many gods, but only the LORD was the one, true God who created them and they should obey. Paul told the people of Athens how they could the LORD as their God, by turning away from worshipping their fake gods and trusting in Jesus as their Savior.

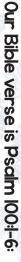


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"The Case of the God Who Was Different."



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### king? Paul did. 1. Who urged the people to worship the LORD and serve Him as their

their fake gods. a few others worshipped the LORD. The rest laughed and kept worshipping 2. Who did worship the LORD? Who did not? Dionysius and Damaris and

#### For You and Me:

just like the people of Athens heard. and doing. He is the one, true God! He has made us and wants us to know Like the people of Athens, we have so much to worship the LORD for being Him and love Him. He has offered us to be saved from our sins through Jesus,



## Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3

Hi, Deep Down Detectives!
I'm still working on the case called:
"The Case of the God Who Was Different."

I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story. They are: a camera; a temple; a stone altar; a sword; the world; and, laughing people.

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:

- I. Which FOUR pictures belong in the story and which TWO do NOT?
- 2. What did the people of Athens need to confess to the LORD? Did any do this?

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

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**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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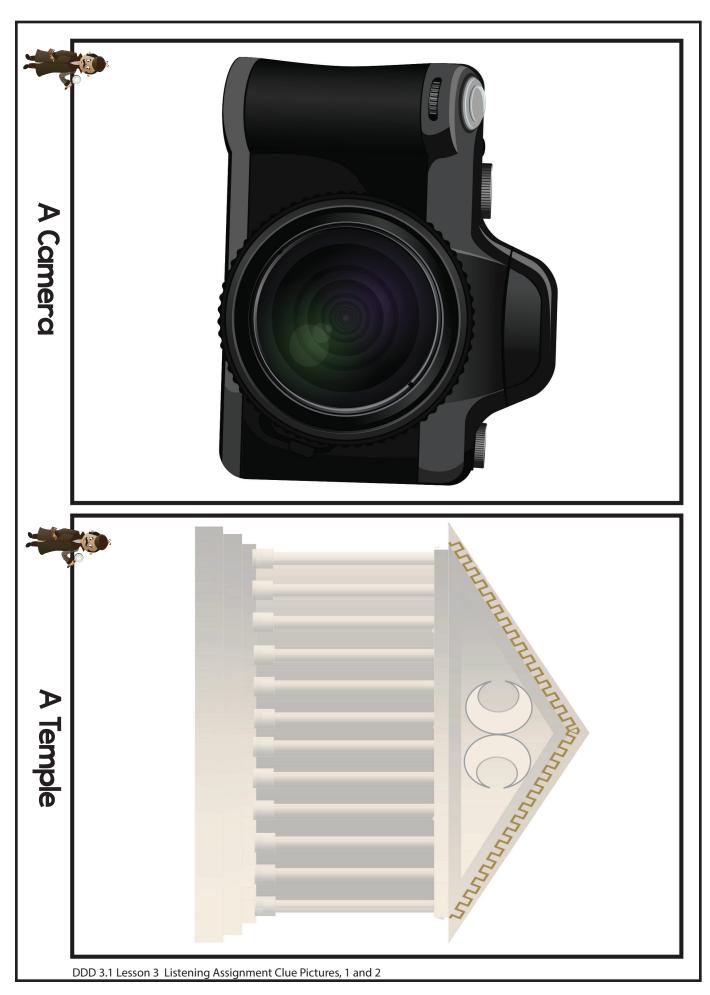
# 1. Which four pictures belong in the story and which two do not?

The temple; stone altar; world; and laughing people belong in the story. The camera and the sword do not.

2. What did the people of Athens need to confess to the LORD? Did any do this? The people of Athens needed to confess that they had worshipped fake gods, not the LORD, the one, true God. They needed to trust in Jesus as their Savior. Dionysius, Damaris and others did this.

#### For You and Me:

Like Damaris and Dionysius, we should also confess our sins to God. Perhaps we have not worshipped fake gods like they did, but we have all disobeyed God and lived our own way. We all deserve His punishment. But, if we confess our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will forgive us and make us His people, just like He did for Dionysius and Damaris, long ago.





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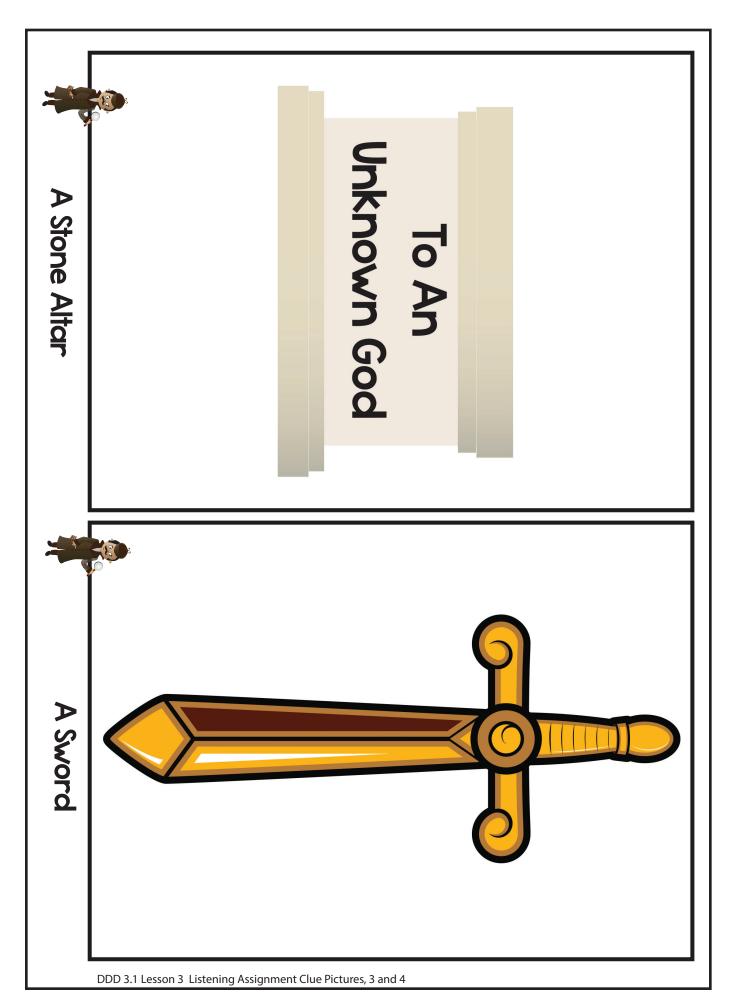
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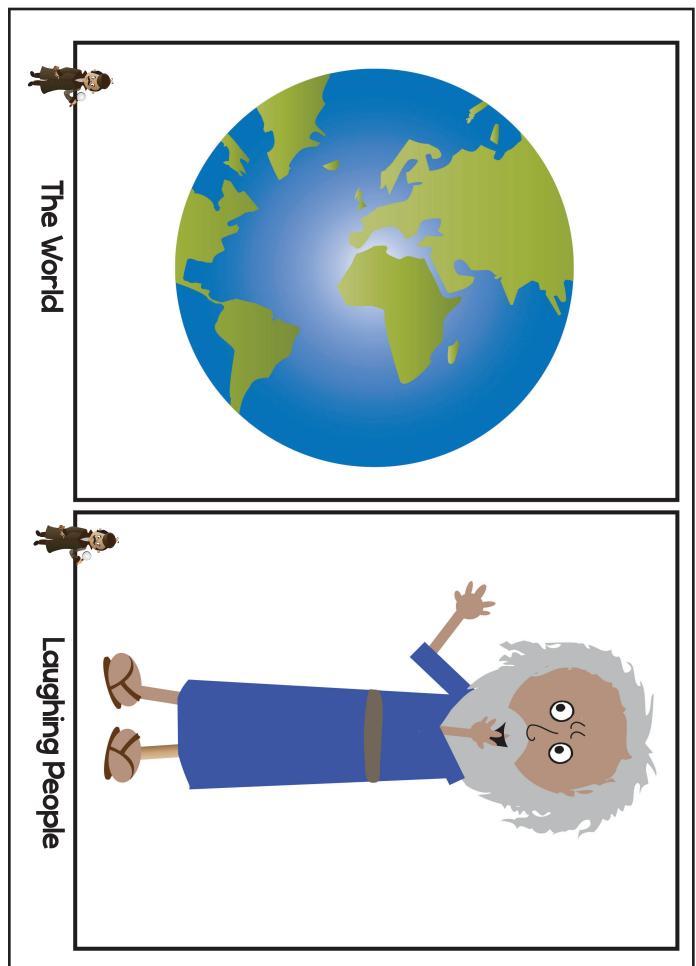
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