

## 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 10:

What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? and the Answer is:

He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus...

#### Meaning:

God's Holy Spirit works in our heart as we hear God's Word, the Bible. He gives us the gift of faith in Jesus. He helps us to turn away from living for ourselves and to live for God instead. This is how we become God's people.

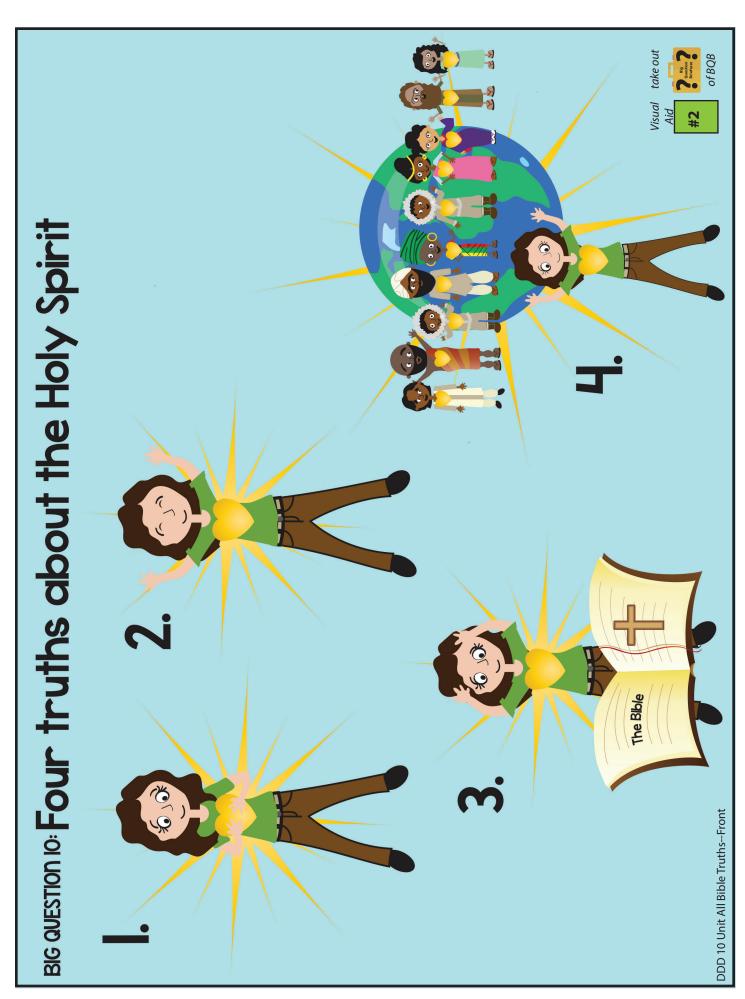
But that's just the beginning of what the Holy Spirit does in God's people! He goes on living inside of them their whole lives, helping them and changing their hearts. He helps them to know God and obey His laws. He helps them to love God and others like Jesus did. He comforts them when they are sad and helps them to be brave when they are scared. He helps them know the right way to live. The Holy Spirit in our hearts is a wonderful gift that God loves to give to us when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Let's sing our Big Question Song:"

## Big Q & A IO Song

DDD ESV Songs 10, track 12 (adapted version of "Pop, Goes the Weasel")

What does the Holy Spirit do, Inside of God's people? What does the Holy Spirit do? He changes their heart!



## This Unit's Bible Truths

"He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus" 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 the Holy Spirit.

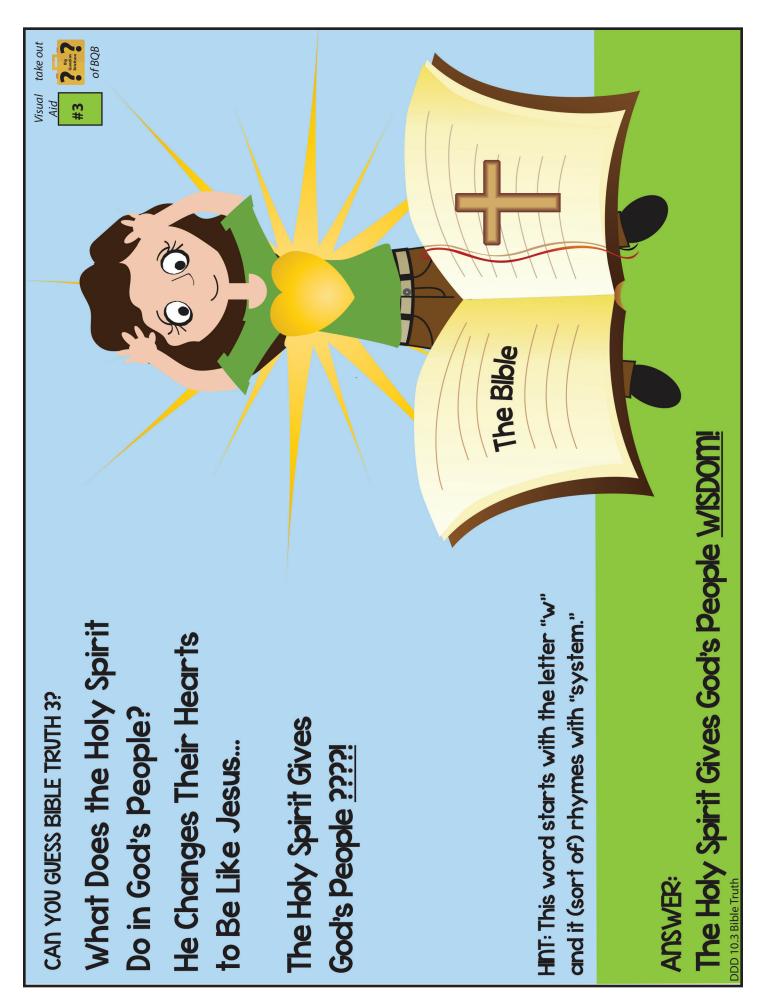
Who would like to hand me the picture with our four Bible truths on it? It's in the Big Question Box/Briefcase."

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...

"Ok, we've learned two truths about the Holy Spirit's work inside of God's people. They are: "The Holy Spirit Lives in God's People" and, "The Holy Spirit Gives God's People Courage" (point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth). Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue sign 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 sign and hand it to you.



# 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 Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?
He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus...
The Holy Spirit Gives God's People ????!"

We're missing one word. Here's the hint to what the missing word is. It says: This is a word for knowing the right thing to do. This word starts with the letter "w" and it (sort of) rhymes with "system."

Can you guess? It's "wisdom."

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

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

"What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?
He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus...
The Holy Spirit Gives God's People WISDOM!"

And here is what this Bible Truth means:

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

The Holy Spirit gives God's people the wisdom they need to know God and to live for Him.

How does the Holy Spirit give God's people wisdom? He works in their hearts as they read the Bible, when they listen to Bible teaching, when they talk with other Christians, and when they pray.

This is one of the reasons why God's people take time to read God's Word and pray. This keeps their heart open to hear the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. This is also one reason why God's people gather together in churches: so they can learn God's Word from godly leaders; and, so they ask each other for help understanding what God's Word means and how to live it out. The Holy Spirit especially uses these things to help God's people understand God's truths and how God wants them to live them out.

There may be many things about God and His plans that God's people do not completely understand, but God will always give them the wisdom they need to live for Him. They only need to ask, and He promises to give it to them. We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Ask Him to help you!



## 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:

Ephesians 1:17 tells us:

## **Ephesians 1:17, NIV 1984**

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better."

**Learn a Little:** "I keep asking that God may give you the Spirit of wisdom that you may know him better."

### What does that mean?

There are many times when God's people don't know what they should do, but there is always someone who promises to give them the wisdom they need--God! God promises to give them wisdom and to do so generously. That is, He will give them all the wisdom they need! And while some may get tired at being asked for advice or frustrated that they are being asked yet again, God never is. He is always happy to listen and to give them the wisdom they need. How does He give this wisdom? His Holy Spirit uses God's Word and prayer, and other godly people to speak God's wisdom to His people. We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

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

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### I Keep Asking: Ephesians I:17, NIV 1984

DDD ESV Songs 10, track 27

I keep asking, that the God of our Lord Jesus will give you, The Spirit of wisdom, I keep asking, that the God of our Lord Jesus will give you, The Spirit of wisdom, and revelation.

So that you may know Him, You may know Him, That you may know Him, better.

I keep asking,
that the God of our Lord Jesus will give you,
The Spirit of wisdom,
I keep asking,
that the God of our Lord Jesus will give you,
The Spirit of wisdom, and revelation.
Ephesians One, seventeen.

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### Listening Assignment #I Detective Dan's



Hi, Deep Down Detectives!

"The Case of the Secret Weapon Within." I'm working on a brand-new case called:



need to find out:

put it (Him)? l. What was the "secret weapon" and where did God

2. What did God use this secret weapon to do?

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

Thanks!

Detective Dan

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

them. Present the gospel and close in prayer 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

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

Answers:

Holy Spirit. He put it in the hearts of His people. 1. What was the "secret weapon" and where did God put it (Him)? The

God, how He wanted them to live, and how to tell others the good news of helplessness and fear after Jesus went to heaven. He helped them to know do to good inside His people. He used the Holy Spirit fight against their 2. What did God use this secret weapon to do? He used the Holy Spirit

#### For You and Me

God's Holy Spirit will come into our hearts and give us wisdom, too! What a know what to tell others about Jesus. He promises those gifts to us today, He gave them so many good gifts, including wisdom to know Him and to wonderful gift! too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, God sent His Holy Spirit to live inside Jesus' disciples who lived long ago.



# Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

Hi, Deep Down Detectives! I'm still working on the case called: "The Case of the Secret Weapon Within."



Our Bible Verse is Ephesians 1:17, NIV 1984

"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better."

### need to find out:

I. Who did Jesus promise to send to His disciples to help them know God and live for Him?

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2. What did this Helper give Jesus' disciples wisdom to do?

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."

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:

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"I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better."

### I need to find out:

- 1. Who did Jesus promise to send to His disciples to help them know God and live for Him? The Holy Spirit.
- 2. What did this Helper give Jesus' disciples wisdom to do? To know God; to know how God wanted them to live; and, to know what to say as they told others about Jesus.

#### For You and Me:

God sent His Holy Spirit to live inside Jesus' disciples who lived long ago. He gave them so many good gifts, including wisdom to know Him and to know what to tell others about Jesus. He promises those gifts to us today, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, God's Holy Spirit will come into our hearts and give us wisdom, too! What a wonderful gift!



# Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3

Hi, Deep Down Detectives!
I'm still working on the case called:
"The Case of the Secret Weapon Within."



I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story. They are: a hat, a heart, a leader, a ball, jail, and a school.

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 kind of help did the disciples thank God for giving them through His Holy Spirit?

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:

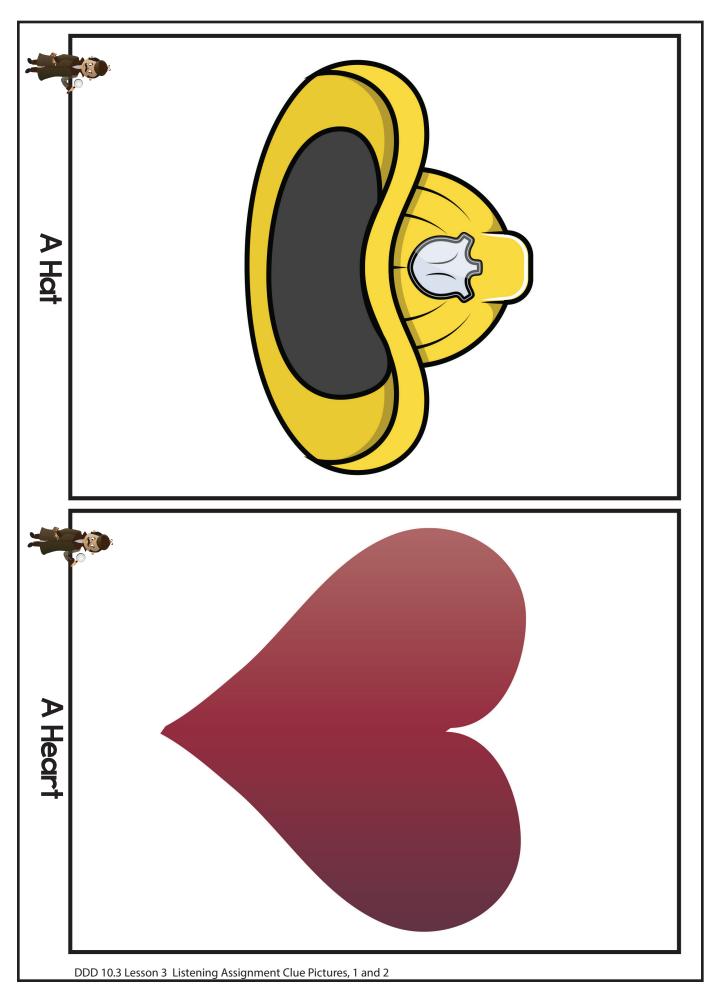
## 1. Which four belong in our story?

The heart, the leader, the jail and the school belong. The hat and the ball do not.

2. What kind of help did the disciples thank God for giving them through His Holy Spirit? For giving them peace and joy; giving them boldness and strength to tell others about Jesus and face their enemies; and, giving them wisdom to know what to say when they did.

#### For You and Me:

God sent His Holy Spirit to live inside Jesus' disciples who lived long ago. He gave them so many good gifts, including wisdom to know Him and to know what to tell others about Jesus. He promises those gifts to us today, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Then, God's Holy Spirit will come into our hearts and give us wisdom, too! What a wonderful gift!





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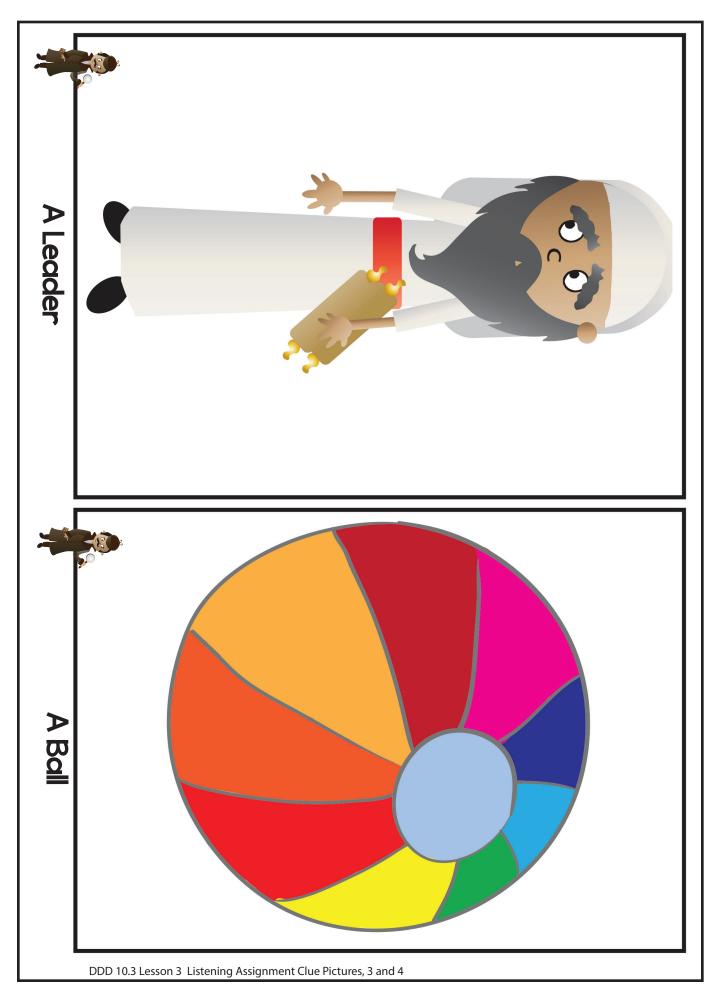
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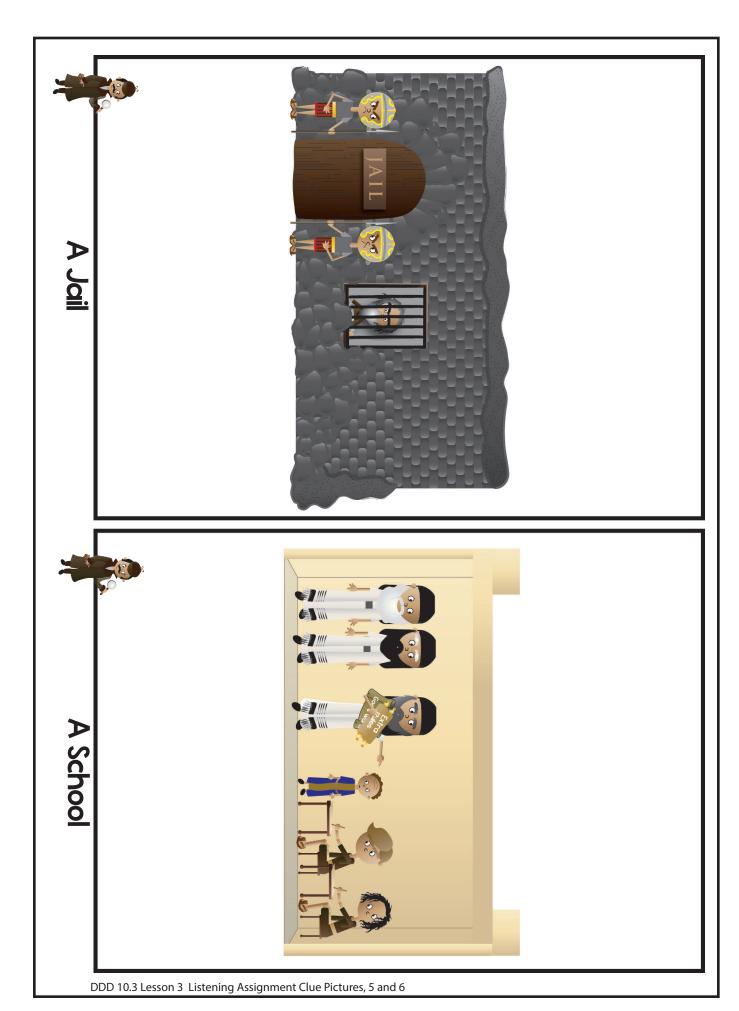
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