Hide 'n' Seek Kids

Unit 10

Curriculum:

The Holy Spirit, the Indwelling God

Session Prep (especially good for newbies!)

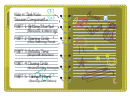
Pray!

Pray for the Holy Spirit to be at work in your heart and the children's hearts.

Review

If new to the curriculum, look at the **Getting Started with Hide 'n' Seek Kids section of this book** (p.5) It will be especially helpful to read through the Hide 'n' Seek Kids section of **The Praise Factory Tour: Extended Version Book.** This is a visual way to understand what goes on in the classroom. (A pdf of the book is found in the samples section on the website.)

Look through and Learn the Lesson



Read over **lesson plan**. Practice any **songs or action rhymes** you are using. Choose/make up motions to go with these. Choose less with younger children and more with older preschoolers. **Practice the lesson with the visual aids** and using the Big Question Box/Briefcase.

Read and Rehearse the Bible Story with Pictures

Read the Bible story from the Bible. Read the curriculum version. Practice telling it with the storyboard pictures. (If you have not previously laminated the story pictures, do that now.)

Let There Be Music

Download the music and listen to the songs. Choose which of the songs you will use with the children. If using live musicians, make sure they have the sheet music (found in Appendix A).

Put the Props in Place

1. Prepare your Visual Aids. Put the Bible Verse, Listening Assignment, Bible Story in one side of the Bible folder. Keep out the Big Question sign.
2. Get out your storyboard. Put all background pictures in place (they have a BG by the number). Put the rest of the storyboard pictures (these have a SB by the number) in order of use in the other side of the Bible folder.
3. Put the HSK Bible Folder as well as the Big Question sign in the Big Question Box/Briefcase and shut it. If your box/briefcase has locks and you want to use the unlocking the box as part of your session, lock it now....but make sure you have the key or know the code first.
4. Prepare the music CD or sheet music or mp3 device for use in your session.

Set Out Free Play Activities

Choose and set up free time activities you will use with the children. Choose a variety of different activities that will be enjoyed by different types of children. Rotate the activities you provide to keep them interesting and fresh to your children. (Suggestions in Appendix D, Core Curriculum books.)

Prepare Any Activities

Choose which (if any) of the unit games and crafts activities you want to use in the session. Bear in mind your time frame as well as the developmental abilities/attention span of your children as you decide what/how many to prepare. **Look over the Discussion Sheet** and choose a few questions you might use to spark discussion with the children as they do their activities (especially good for ages 3's+). Pray for God to give you opportunities to talk about these things with the children.

Let Them Take It with Them

Make copies of the craft/take home sheets, if you are not already using them as one of your activities. You may also want to make copies of the story (see take-home version of each story included in Appendix C with the other take home resources) to have for parents to use with their children at home. There's a link on each craft/take home sheet to the story, if you don't make hard copies.

Store It

After your session is over, collect the resources and store them for future use. This curriculum can be used over and over for years to come.

Unit 10 Overview of Key Concepts

UNIT 10: The Holy Spirit, the Indwelling God

Unit Big Question (and Answer): "What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?"
"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.

Unit 10 Bible Verse: Ezekiel 36:26

"I will give you a new heart and a new spirit I will put in you."

Meaning:

Each of us likes to have our own way—even if it means doing something that God doesn't want us to do. This is called sin and it comes from deep inside us in our hearts. We need a new heart, alive with love for God, if we are to be God's people. Only God can give us this new heart, by His Holy Spirit. This is how He changes our heart: His Holy Spirit comes to live within us, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Unit 10 ACTS Prayer

A God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.

C God, we confess that we like to have our own way--even when it is disobeying You. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need the Holy Spirit to change our hearts to love You and live for You!

T Thank You, God for being able to change our hearts. Thank You for offering the gift of Your Holy Spirit to live within us and help us to know You and live for You.

S God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send Your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts that we might know You and love You more and more.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Unit 10 Story

The Case of the Heart Helper
Acts 1-2

Songs Used in Unit 10

Big Q & A 10 Song
Big Question 10 Song: What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?
Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: I Will Give You a New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, NIV 1984
Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: A New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, NIV 1984 (other version)
Unit 10 Hymn: The Church's One Foundation, v.1
Unit 10 Praise Song: Create in Me a Clean Heart

Hide 'n' Seek Kids NIV Songs 10 Track Numbers

This is a listing of all songs mentioned in the unit curriculum. You may or may not choose to use all of the songs. They are listed in easy-reference order--NOT in the order used in the curriculum.

You may choose to simply burn a CD/load them onto an mp3 device in this order. Or, you may want to do what we do: choose the songs we want to use and create a play list of them in that order. Then, we burn a CD/upload the play list onto an mp3 device. A teacher only has to click forward to the next song, instead of hunting for the right track. The track number have been included as part of the title of each song, so teachers will still have a reference to the track number listed in the curriculum (same as those listed below), even if you change the order on your customized play list.

SONGS USED EVERY UNIT OF THE CURRICULUM

1 The Classroom Song v.1
2 The Classroom Song v.2
3 The Classroom Song v.3
4 The Classroom Song v.4
5 Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song
6 The Classroom Rules Song
7 Let's Pray Song
8 The Big Question Box Song
9 The Bible Chant Song
10 ACTS Prayer Song (Short Version)
11 ACTS Prayer Song (Full Version)

Why the Extra Songs?
Hide 'n' Seek Kids is a curriculum used by children of different ages. Sometimes one of the other songs is a better fit for your kids. Or, you may simply want to teach them more songs on the same Bible Truth. Use as many or as few as you want.

UNIT 10: THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE INDWELLING GOD

12 Big Q & A 10 Song
13 Big Question 10 Song: What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?
14 Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: I Will Give You a New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, NIV 1984
15 Extra Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: A New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, NIV 1984 (other version)
16 Unit 10 Hymn: The Church's One Foundation, v.1
17 Unit 10 Praise Song: Create in Me a Clean Heart

Lesson Plan: Big Question

use with all FIVE lessons

1. GETTING STARTED

Intake Activity Ideas	***Choose one of these open-ended activities to include children as they join the class:***
Free Play Time *suggestions in Appendix D*	(usually best for 2 year olds) Offer your own or some of the easy-to-make, free play activities suggested in Appendix D.
OR Sing-along Music Time *lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A*	Music *from* Hide 'n' Seek Kids (HSK) NIV Songs 10: Big Q & A 10 Song — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 12* Big Question 10 Song — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 13* Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: I Will Give You a New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, NIV 1984 — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 14* *Extra* Unit 10 Bible Verse Song: *A New Heart Ezekiel 36:26, NIV 1984 (other version)* — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 15* Unit 10 Hymn: The Church's One Foundation, v.1 — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 16* Unit 10 Praise Song: Create in Me a Clean Heart — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 17* *Add more fun to Sing-along Music Time by adding a Music, Movement & Memory Activity. These activities are listed on p. 8 of this lesson plan with the Response Activities. Instructions found in Appendix B.*
***OR* Bible Verse Memory Game** *instructions found in Appendix B*	Lesson 1 Game: Duck, Duck, Goose Lesson 2 Game: Detective Mission Madness Practice Lesson 3 Game: Block Clapping Lesson 4 Game: Meet, Greet and Keep It Up Lesson 5 Game: Lily Pad Jump *These activities are also included on p.8 of this lesson plan with the Response Activities.*

2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME *(introduce the Bible Truth and tell the related Bible story)*

Gathering the Children *lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A*	*Sing verse 1 of The Classroom Song to gather the children for Circle Time.* **The Classroom Song, verse 1** — *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 1* Let's gather together to worship God, Let's gather together to worship God, Let's gather together to worship God, Come gather here with me!
Welcome to Hide 'n' Seek Kids!	"Welcome to Hide 'n' Seek Kids! We're so glad you've joined us! We're here to seek God and learn His Word and hide it in our heart so that it will always be with us. And we're here to HIDE His Word, the Bible, in our hearts. We ask big questions about God and dig deep down in the truths of God's Word to find them."

2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"Let's sing our Hide 'n' Seek Kids theme song."

Hide 'n' Seek Kids Theme Song *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 5*
Come along, we're gonna hide 'n' seek!
Hide God's Word in our heart and Him, we'll seek,
God loves to show us the truths of His Word,
That we might know Him
and live out what we've learned.

Classroom Rules Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

There are two very important things that Hide 'n' Seek Kids do together: we worship God and we love one another. Our Classroom Rules Song reminds us how we should act. Let's sing it."

Classroom Rules Song *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 6*
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.

Opening Prayer Time

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"Children, we need God's help to keep these rules. Let's ask Him to help us right now. Let's get ready and pray."

Let's Pray *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 7*
1-2-3!
Fold your hands,
Bow your head,
Close your eyes.
Let's pray! *(repeat)*

"Let's pray:"

Opening Prayer
Dear Lord,
We're so glad to get to gather together to worship You!
Please help us keep the classroom rules.
Please help us to love You and learn about You today.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Reveal the Big Question

Introduce the Big Question Box/Briefcase

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"It's time to get down to business, Hide 'n' Seek kids! Let's see what our Big Question for today is. It's right inside our Big Question Box/ Briefcase."

The Big Question Box Song *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 8*

We've got a big box,
All closed up and locked,
Filled with the truths of God's Word.

We've got a brief case,
There's no time to waste,
Come on, kids, let's open it up!

The Big Question under Investigation

VISUAL AID #1 *take out* *of BQB*

Big Question & Answer Sign, front side

**found in the HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV Book*

Ok, who would like to open it up for me and pull out the Big Question?"

Choose a child to open the box/briefcase, take out the Big Question and hand it to you. Then 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!"

Big Question 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.

Big Question Songs

Big Q & A 10 Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"Let's sing our Big Question Song:

Big Q & A 10 Song *HSK NIV 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 hearts!

2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Learning about the Big Question

Repeat the Big Question and Answer again:
"What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus!"

Say: "Hmmmm, I wonder what that means… Let's do our action rhyme/sing our song that explains it."

Then sing the song using any of the optional motions suggested, if desired.

Big Question (Action Rhyme) Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

Big Question 10 Action Rhyme/ Song *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 13*

	(POSSIBLE ACTIONS)
Refrain	
What does the Holy Spirit do in God's people?	
What does the Holy Spirit do in God's people?	
He changes their hearts, He changes their hearts,	*Place hand on heart*
He changes their hearts to be like Jesus!	
Verse 1	
He gives life to the hearts of God's people,	
He gives them the gifts of repentance and faith,	*make prayer hands and bow head*
He puts love in the hearts of God's people,	
He helps them love God and others always. *Refrain*	*point up to heaven and out to others*
Verse 2	
God gives power to the hearts of people,	*hold up your arms and flex your muscles*
He gives them the courage to live boldly for Him,	
He gives wisdom to the hearts of God's people.	
He reveals His Holy Word to them. *Refrain*	*make an open Bible with your two palms*

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2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Learning the Bible Verse

The Bible Chant Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"And how do I know this is true? God tells me so in His special book, the Bible."

Say or sing the Bible Chant Song.

The Bible Chant Song *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 9*

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!

The Bible Verse in the HSK Bible Folder

HSK 6 Bible Verse-front side (in the HSK Bible folder)

VISUAL AID #2 — *Place verse in* HSK Bible Folder — *take out* Big Question Briefcase *of BQB*

HSK Bible Folder

**found in the HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV Book*

"Who would like to get our Bible folder out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the "Bible" folder and hand it to you. Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:

Ezekiel 36:26, ESV
"I will give you a new heart and put a a new spirit I will put in you."

Bible Verse Meaning

HSK 10 Bible Verse-back side

What does that mean?
Each of us likes to have our own way—even if it means doing something that God doesn't want us to do. This is called sin and it comes from deep inside us in our hearts. We need a new heart, alive with love for God, if we are to be God's people. Only God can give us this new heart, by His Holy Spirit. This is how He changes our heart: His Holy Spirit comes to live within us, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Bible Verse Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

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

I Will Give You a New Heart: Ezekiel 36:26 *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 14*

I will give you a new heart,
And a new spirit I'll put within you.
I will give you a new heart,
And a new spirit I'll put within you.
Ezekiel Thirty-six, twenty-six.

You might also enjoy:

A New Heart, Ezekiel 36:26
HSK NIV Songs 10, track 15

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Getting into the Case	"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?"
Listening Assignments *Place in* HSK Bible Folder *take out* Big Question Briefcase *of BQB*	**NOTE: Listening assignments are most suitable for ages 3+. Skip straight to the Bible story (see bottom of this page), if working with 2 year olds.** "Let's open up our listening assignment and see what we are supposed to figure out today. *Choose a child to take out the Listening Assignment (from the HSK Bible Folder) and hand it to you. Read Detective Dan's letter to the children that includes the listening assignment. The listening assignments are summarized below:*
VISUAL AID #3 *HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV*	**Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:** I need to find out: 1. Who was the helper who was coming? 2. Whose heart would he come to live inside of?
VISUAL AID #4 *HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV*	**Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:** Our Bible verse is Ezekiel 36:26: "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put in you." As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out: 1. What did God promise to give to His people? 2. Who would this new spirit be? What would He do?
VISUAL AID #5A,B,C **Listening Assignment #3 includes the Assignment Sheet, plus 4 clue pictures* HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV*	**Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:** I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story. They are: a heart, an apple, wind, and something like fire. Hold up each of the four 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 of these things was not in our story today? 2. How were the other three things important in our story?
VISUAL AID #6 *HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV*	**Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:** As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out: 1. Who did the disciples ask God to send? 2. Did God answer their prayers right away or did they have to wait? Why?
VISUAL AID #7 *HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV*	**Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:** As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out: 1. Who did God give the Holy Spirit to? 2. What did the Holy Spirit help God's people do?
Tell the Bible Story *Place story & pics in* HSK Bible Folder *take out* Big Question Briefcase *of BQB* *HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV* ***Bible Story included in this book, immediately after the Lesson Plan and with the Visual Aids***	***Then say,*** "Ok, Hide 'n' Seekers! Put on your best listening ears and see if you can find the answers to Detective Dan's questions. When I finish telling the story, we'll see what we come up with." **Bible Story: The Case of the Heart Helper** *Acts 1-2* *Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. Then, have the children answer the listening assignment. Present the the gospel and lead in prayer.* *Answers to questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are included with the story text.*

2. OPENING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Story Response Song(s)

Hymn

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

As attention span and time allow, you might want to end with one of the following songs which also tie in with the unit. If desired, use the Music and Movement activity ideas while singing, listed with the Response Activities.

The Church's One Foundation *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 16*

Verse 1
The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation,
By Spirit and the Word;
From heav'n He came a sought her,
To be His holy bride,
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.

Tie-in: "Church is the Bible word for God's people. How did God's people become God's people? It's all because God sent Jesus. Jesus came from heaven to live a perfect life, then give it up as the perfect payment for the sins of God's people. With His very own blood He paid for all of their sins. Jesus rose from the dead on the third day and went back up to heaven. He had beaten sin and death for them. Now they could be God's people! Jesus went up to heaven, but He leave God's people alone. He left His Word for them to read. And, He sent the Holy Spirit to come and live in their hearts so they might know God and love Him more and more. And one day, when they die, they will go to live with Him forever. What a wonderful day that will be! They will be as happy as a groom with His bride, happily married at last. You and I can be part of God's Church, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior."

Praise Song

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

Praise Song: Create in Me a Clean Heart *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 17*
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Tie-in: "We all have hearts that choose disobey God. We have all broken the special closeness with God that He created us to enjoy. But it does not have to stay that way. We can ask God to work in our hearts and give us a new heart--a clean heart--that knows and loves Him. God loves to answer these prayers by sending His Holy Spirit to change our heart and make it new. Yes! God's Holy Spirit does wonderful things in our heart that we could never do on our own!

3. TAKING ACTION: Response Activities *(choose from among these activities)*

Transition to Activities

Well, Hide 'n' Seek Kids, you've done a great job diggin' deep down for answers in the truths of God's Word. Now it's time to enjoy some activities."

Tell children what activity/s you are providing for them: either free play or some of the response activities listed below. When you are ready to dismiss them, use this song to help the children transition in an orderly fashion to their next activity.

Classroom Song, verse 2

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"Children, let's sing our Time to Play Song. When we are finished you may get up and walk over to our next activity."

Classroom Song, verse 2 *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 2*
We've gathered together to worship God,
We've gathered together to worship God,
And now it's time to play.

Dismiss the children to whatever activities you have prepared for them to do.

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3. TAKING ACTION: Response Activities *(choose from among these activities)*

Response Activities

Choose one or more activities appropriate for your children, based on classroom time and developmental needs. ***Add the Discussion Sheet to any activity for deeper learning.***

Bible Verse Memory Game

game directions, Appendix B

Though listed with the opening activities, you may choose to use this Bible verse game here instead (or as a repeat).

- Lesson 1 Game: Duck, Duck, Goose
- Lesson 2 Game: Detective Mission Madness Practice
- Lesson 3 Game: Block Clapping
- Lesson 4 Game: Meet, Greet and Keep It Up
- Lesson 5 Game: Lily Pad Jump

Use the Discussion Sheet with these activities for even deeper learning

Unit Discussion Questions for Activities Discussion Questions

Music, Movement & Memory Activity

game directions, Appendix B

A music activity that uses the songs from the Bible Truth and Big Question unit.

- HSK Songs for Unit, plus:
- Lesson 1 Activity: Sing, Dance and Fall Down
- Lesson 2 Activity: Bottle Shakers
- Lesson 3 Activity: March 'n' Say
- Lesson 4 Activity: Clap, Tap and Say
- Lesson 5 Activity: Block Clappers

Use the Discussion Sheet with these activities for even deeper learning

Unit Discussion Questions for Activities Discussion Questions

Bible Story Review Game

game directions, Appendix B

A game that uses the storyboard pictures from the story to review the story.

- Lesson 1 Game: Pony Express
- Lesson 2 Game: Clothespin Line Up and Drop
- Lesson 3 Game: Fix Up the Mix Up
- Lesson 4 Game: Who's in the Basket?
- Lesson 5 Game: Run to the Grocery Store

Use the Discussion Sheet with these activities for even deeper learning

Unit Discussion Questions for Activities Discussion Questions

Coloring Pages/ Take Home Sheets

in Appendix C

A coloring page related to the lesson assignment questions is provided for each lesson. On the back of each are the key concepts, a few questions and a song for parents to use with their children. (If desired, include a copy of the Bible story with the Take Home Sheet.)

NOTE: Upgrade your coloring sheet to a more interesting craft by offering simple embellishments, such as jiggly eyes, craft sand, glitter, glitter glue, colored paper dots (made with a hole punch), fabric scraps, etc. Make cut-to-size glued-on clothes, hair, etc for characters by using a copy of the coloring sheet, cutting out the selected portions and making them the patterns for whatever you want to cut out of fabric, paper, foil, etc.

- Lesson 1 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: Bible Truth
- Lesson 2 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: Bible Verse
- Lesson 3 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: Bible Truth
- Lesson 4 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: ACTS Prayer
- Lesson 5 Coloring Sheet Emphasis: The Gospel

Use the Discussion Sheet with these activities for even deeper learning

Unit Discussion Questions for Activities Discussion Questions

Extra Crafts:

Big Question Craft

in Appendix C

Bible Verse Craft

in Appendix C

Bible Story Puzzle

in Appendix C

These crafts are slightly more complex than the coloring sheets:

The Big Question Craft is a color, glue and stick craft of the Big Question and Answer.

The Bible Verse Craft is a craft that gives the Bible verse and explains it, also involving gluing and sticking and a few other, simple craft supplies.

The **Storyboard Picture Placement Page** has been made into a puzzle that can be cut out and re-assembled by the children. This provides a nice summary of the story.

Use the Discussion Sheet with these activities for even deeper learning

Unit Discussion Questions for Activities Discussion Questions

Free Play Activities

ideas in Appendix D

Offer your own or some of the easy-to-make, free play activities suggested in Appendix D.

Lesson Plan: Big Question 10

use with all FIVE lessons

4. CLOSING CIRCLE TIME *(End-of-session activities for the last 5-10 minutes of class time)*

Transition to Closing Circle

Classroom Song, verse 3

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

Use this song to help the children transition in an orderly fashion. Sing the song, then ask the children to gather with you for Closing Circle Time.

Classroom Song, verse 3 *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 3*

It's time to get ready to go and tell,
It's time to get ready to go and tell,
Come gather here with me.

Closing Circle Time

Classroom Song, verse 4

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

When children are settled in the circle, say:
"It is almost time for your parents to come pick you up. And do you know what that means? It means…. (draw this out to build anticipation and excitement)…that it's almost time to go home and….it's almost time to…Go and Tell! We have learned some big news about God today. God wants us to take and tell it to the whole world!"

Classroom Song, verse 4 *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 4*

So what's our big news to go and tell,
So what's our big news to go and tell,
Can you tell me now?

Big News to Tell

Big Question 10

VISUAL AID **#1**

**found in the HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV Book*

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

"Let's see....there's so much big news to tell! There's so much we've learned!

Can you tell me the answer to our **Big Question: "What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?"**
(Show them the Big Question and Answer picture.)

Say the answer with me:
"He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus!"

(If desired, you can sing the Big Q & A Song.) *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 12*

"And how do I know this is true? Can you tell me?

Big Question 10 Bible Verse

VISUAL AID **#2**

**found in the HSK Vol. 3 Visual Aids, NIV Book*

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

Say it with me: **"The Bible tells me so!"**

That's right!

We learned: **Ezekiel 36:26**
"I will give you a new heart and put a a new spirit I will put in you."
(Show them the Bible Verse picture.)

The Bible tells us that we need a new heart if we are to know and love God. And who will give us this new heart? God, Himself will! He loves for us to ask for this new heart. He wants us to know and love Him!"

(If desired, you can sing the Bible verse song.) *HSK NIV Songs 10, track 14*

4. CLOSING CIRCLE TIME, continued

Closing ACTS Prayer Time

ACTS Prayer Chant

lyrics and sheet music, Appendix A

Let's ask God to help us to remember this and even tell others this good news. Let's get ready and pray our ACTS prayer.

And what does ACTS mean? Let's sing/say our ACTS Prayer Chant!

ACTS Prayer Chant Song *HSK NIV Songs 10, tracks 10,11*

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.

That's the ACTS prayer, my friend,
Bow head, Close your eyes, Shhh,
Let's begin!

Closing ACTS Prayer

"Let's pray!"

Lead the children in the ACTS prayer for this unit.

A God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.

C God, we confess that we like to have our own way--even when it is disobeying You. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need the Holy Spirit to change our hearts to love You and live for You!

T Thank You, God for being able to change our hearts. Thank You for offering the gift of Your Holy Spirit to live within us and help us to know You and live for You.

S God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send Your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts that we might know You and love You more and more.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

5. TAKING IT HOME *(Take Home Sheet)*

Clean up and Dismissal

"Now it's time to work together and clean up."
Have the children join you in cleaning up the room.

Coloring Pages/ Take Home Sheets

in Appendix C

Give out the craft/take home sheet and any other papers from the session, as you dismiss children from class.

(Reminder: The back side of the coloring page is the take home sheet for each lesson.)

Bible Story to Take-Home

in Appendix C

You may also want to include a copy of the story along with the take home sheet. (However, each coloring sheet/take home sheet includes a note to parents telling them where they can download the story from the Parent Resources section on the website.

Big Question 10 Bible Story

use with all FIVE lessons

Place story in HSK Bible Folder *take out* Big Question Briefcase *of BQB*

The Case of the Heart Helper

Acts 1-2

Story-telling Tips

Ahead of time:
1. Read the Bible verses and story. Pray!
2. Choose story action cues and/or prepare storyboard pictures, if using. (Included in Visual Aids book)
3. Practice telling story with the pictures, timing your presentation. Shorten, if necessary to fit your allotted time.

During your presentation:
1. Maintain as much eye contact as possible as you tell the story.
2. Put up storyboard figures/add story action cues as you tell the story. Allow the children to help you put them on the board, if desired.
3. Include the children in your story with a few questions about what they think will happen or words/concepts that might be new to them.
4. Watch the kids for signs that their attention span has been reached. Shorten, if necessary.

INTRODUCTION/ LISTENING ASSIGNMENTS

"Our story is called: The Case of the Heart Helper. Here is your listening assignment... "

Read from Detective Dan's Listening Assignment signs, but questions are summarized below:

(Note: These questions are most appropriate for older preschoolers)

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

I need to find out:
1. Who was the helper who was coming?
2. Whose heart would he come to live inside of?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Ezekiel 36:26: "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put in you."

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:
1. What did God promise to give to His people?
2. Who would this new spirit be? What would He do?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story.
They are: a heart, an apple, wind, and something like fire.
Hold up each of the four 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 of these things was not in our story today?
2. How were the other three things important in our story?

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:
1. Who did the disciples ask God to send?
2. Did God answer their prayers right away or did they have to wait? Why?

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:
1. Who did God give the Holy Spirit to?
2. What did the Holy Spirit help God's people do?

Read the questions, THEN SAY,

"Ok, Hide 'n' Seekers! 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 the questions."

Big Question 10 Bible Story — use with all FIVE lessons — p.2

"The Case of the Heart Helper" Acts 1-2

Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold, *optional interaction cues in italics) Numbers correspond to storyboard pictures and placement upon the storyboard. Alway feel free to use less pictures, if it's best for your kids. Simply, black out the numbers next to pictures you do not plan to use. All pictures are found in the Visual Aids book. Put BG (background) pictures on storyboard ahead of time. SB pictures (listed below in story text) are added to board as you tell the story. These numbers are also found on the back of each picture.*
Tip: Stack pictures in numerical before telling story for easy use. Use sticky-back velcro to attach pictures to storyboard felt. Use sticky-tac putty to stick a picture on top of another picture.

Walk, talk, show and tell. For (SB1) one, two, three years Jesus had walked around the land of Judah and talked to many people about God. He showed them what God was like and He did many amazing things, like (SB2) heal sick people without medicine and even (SB3) raise the dead. Jesus told the people that He was the (SB4) Messiah, the special one sent to save God's people from their sins.

Can you say, "Messiah"? That's the special Bible word for Jesus, our Savior.

Walk, talk, show and tell for one, two, three years...and now it was all going to end! Jesus (SB5) gathered together His special friends, the disciples, and told them what was about to happen: "The time has come for Me to leave you. My enemies are coming to get Me tonight. They will kill Me." Jesus told them. "And when they come for Me, you will all run away and leave Me."

What (SB6) sad news this was for Jesus' friends! Jesus was going to leave them and die…and they wouldn't even be brave enough to stay with Him! This was so terrible that they could hardly believe it!

Can you show me your saddest face? That's how Jesus' friends felt about what was going to happen to Jesus.

The disciples weren't just sad; they were (SB7) scared, too. They had walked and talked with Jesus day after day for three, whole years. If He left, who would show and tell them about God? They were so scared! How could they live without Jesus with them?

Jesus knew how sad and scared the disciples were. He comforted them: "Yes, My enemies will go through with their bad plans and they will kill Me, but God is up to His good plans in it ALL! When I die, I'm going to make the way for you to go to heaven and live with (SB8) God forever," Jesus told them. "I'm going there to prepare a place for you to come and be with Me," He promised them.

Think of your favorite place to go and your favorite people to be with. Life with God in heaven will be much, much better than that!

"And, even though I'm going away, I won't leave you alone. God, my Father will send you the (SB9) Holy Spirit to help you. He will comfort you and make you bold and give you wisdom. He will always be with you and He won't talk and walk alongside you like I did. No! He will come and live INSIDE YOU, showing and telling you what God is like…and that's even better!" Jesus told them.

What new place would God's Holy Spirit come to live and stay? Inside of God's people! How wonderful!

Later that night, everything started happening just like Jesus said it would—both bad and good. (SB10) Jesus' enemies came for Jesus and (SB11) Jesus' disciples ran away. His enemies took Jesus away to (SB12) suffer and die on a cross. How terribly did He hurt! But as He hurt, Jesus paid for all the sins of God's people with His perfect life so they could be forgiven by God. Jesus died that day and was buried in a cave grave. But on the third day (SB13) He rose up from the grave. He had really done it, He had really beaten sin and death for God's people!

Yay! Jesus beat sin and death for God's people! Let's clap and cheer!

Jesus appeared to (SB14) His friends, the disciples, on that wonderful, third day and on many more days afterwards. For forty, whole days Jesus walked and talked with them. He showed them and told them even more amazing things about God and His good plans. How happy the disciples were! Oh, how wonderful it was to have Jesus with them again, walking, talking, showing them and telling them about God!
Smile your biggest smile for how happy the disciples were to have Jesus with them again.

Big Question 10 Bible Story

use with all FIVE lessons

***Story with lines separating paragraphs (text in bold,** optional interaction cues in italics*

But on Day Forty, it was time for Jesus to go back home to heaven. Up to a hill called the Mount of Olives, Jesus took (SB15) his friends to say goodbye: "I'm going home to heaven now, and I'm sending YOU out into the (SB16) whole world. Now it's time for you to walk and talk…and show and tell everyone about Me! I want them to know how they can be saved from their sins by trusting in Me as their Savior. "

"This is BIG job. You can't do it on your own…but you don't have to!" Jesus promised them. "I am sending (SB17) the Holy Spirit to come and live inside of you. He will change you. He will give you wisdom to know what to say and to understand God's Word, the Bible. He will make you bold to do all the things I want you to do. Go to the big city of Jerusalem. Gather the other disciples. I will send Holy Spirit to you there," Jesus told them. Then right before their eyes, the disciples watched Jesus rise off the ground, and go up, up, up through the clouds and up to (SB18) heaven.

Jesus was gone. That was so sad! But the Holy Spirit was coming! That was so happy! "Come on! Let's go to Jerusalem and gather the others!" the disciples exclaimed. "Let's get ready for the Holy Spirit!"

So off to Jerusalem the disciples went and (SB19) gathered together the others in a house—over a hundred of God's people, all huddled together, waiting and excited! Day after day they waited and prayed, prayed and waited. When would the Holy Spirit come? No one knew exactly, but they hoped it would be soon!

Close your eyes and fold your hands in prayer.

At last the day did come! And God made sure everyone in Jerusalem knew about it...in a very big way!

As the disciples gathered, something that sounded like a (SB20) great wind began to blow right inside their room! Then, something that looked like (SB21) fire rested on each of them. Wow! Then came the wonderful, wonderful gift: God sent (SB22) His Holy Spirit to live in their hearts. It was amazing! Now they would know God in a new, very close way in their hearts. Now He would be with them as they walked and talked and showed and told the world about Jesus. The Holy Spirit would help them do the great, big job of telling the world about Jesus—starting right then!

Then, on that extra special, amazing, first day, the Holy Spirit gave the disciples an extra special, amazing gift! He helped them speak to others in languages they had never learned! They burst out of the house and began speaking to (SB23) people about Jesus in these new languages. A (SB24) huge, noisy crowd gathered near the disciples and wondered," What in the world is going on???!!!"

"Shhh," the (SB25) disciple Peter exclaimed. "I'll tell you. This is a big, big day and God is doing these amazing things so everyone will know the wonderful news: God has begun to send His Holy Spirit to live inside His people in a new, special way! It's the gift He gives to everyone who believes in Jesus. If you turn away from your sins and believe in Jesus, God will save you and send His Holy Spirit to live inside you, too," Peter told them.

This was such exciting news! Imagine: God's Holy Spirit living inside your heart, helping you know God and live for Him! Thousands of people in the crowd turned away from their sins and believed in Jesus that day. And God filled them with (SB26) His Holy Spirit, too. Oh, how wonderful it was to have this new, special closeness with God in their hearts! Oh, how wonderful it was to have His comfort and His help!

Who could ever forget what God did that day when He sent the Holy Spirit to live inside His people-- all that whooshing wind, fiery flames and new languages? But far better than all those wonderful, big things God did that day, was who each one of God's people knew had quietly come to live in their hearts—God's Holy Spirit. And day after day, they knew that He would go on living inside them, changing their hearts making them wise and bold to do all that God wanted them to do. God would use His Holy Spirit to help His people walk and talk, show and tell the world about Jesus.

Let's clap and praise God for giving His people this wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit living inside their heart!

Big Question 10 Bible Story

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Cracking the Case: (story wrap-up for Listening Assignments)

It's time to see how we did with our Listening Assignment.

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

1. Who was the helper Jesus promised to send?
The Holy Spirit.

2. How would He help God's people?
He would come to live in their heart, helping them to love God and live for Him.

For You and Me:
God sent the Holy Spirit to live inside God's people long ago; and, He still sends Him to live inside of them, even today. He is God's wonderful gift to all who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible verse is Ezekiel 36:26: "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put in you."

As you listen to the story, see if you can figure out:

1. What did God promise to give to His people? He would put a new heart/new spirit within them.

2. Who would this new spirit be? What would He do? God's own Holy Spirit. He would change their heart and help them to love God and live for Him.

For You and Me:
God wants us to love Him and live for Him, but He knows we cannot do this on our own. We need His Holy Spirit to live within us and change our hearts. God gives His Holy Spirit to all who turn from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found four clues, but one of them is NOT in the story. They are: a heart, an apple, wind, and something like fire.

1. Which of these things was not in our story today? An apple.

2. How were the other three things important in our story? Jesus promised to send His Holy Spirit to live inside His friends, the disciples, when He left them. He would be their helper. The disciples waited and waited for the Holy Spirit to come. At last He did, in a very exciting way. There was the sound of a great wind, then something that looked like fire appeared above their heads. Then, the Holy Spirit came into their hearts.

For You and Me:
God showed the world in an exciting way that He was sending the Holy Spirit to live inside His people's hearts. How amazing was that wind and fire! But the most important thing that happened that day was the Holy Spirit who came quietly into each person's heart to live. When we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, God will send the Holy Spirit to live in our hearts, too. There won't be wind and fire, like there was long ago. There will just be the Holy Spirit coming quietly into our hearts, helping us love God and live for Him.

Detective Dan's Lesson #4 Listening Assignment:

1. Who did the disciples ask God to send? His Holy Spirit.

2. Did God answer their prayers right away or did they have to wait? Why? They had to wait. God knew the best time for them to receive the Holy Spirit.

For You and Me:
God always knows what is best for us. He even knows when it is the best time for us to receive His good gifts.How wonderful it is to be one of God's people! We can know God is always caring for us in the best way. It truly is the best gift of allWe can be God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Detective Dan's Lesson #5 Listening Assignment:

1. Who did God give the Holy Spirit to? All who turned away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

2. What did the Holy Spirit help God's people do? He gave them a special closeness with God. He helped them love God and live for Him. He helped them tell others about Jesus.

For You and Me:
God will send the Holy Spirit to live in us, too, if we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He will come quietly to live in our hearts. Then He will help us to know and love God and live for Him.

The Gospel (story wrap-up if NOT using Listening Assignments)

Our Bible Truth is:
What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?
He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus!

The disciples were so sad when Jesus left! They missed Him so much! But what a wonderful gift the Holy Spirit was, when God sent Him to live in their hearts. The Holy Spirit gave them a new, special closeness with God. He helped them love God and live for Him. How excited the disciples were to tell others how they could be saved through Jesus and have the Holy Spirit live in their hearts, too.

We, too, can have the Holy Spirit live in our hearts. We can know God in this wonderful way, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to answer this prayer!

Close in prayer.

Closing Unit 10 ACTS Prayer

A=Adoration C=Confession T=Thanksgiving S=Supplication

A God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.

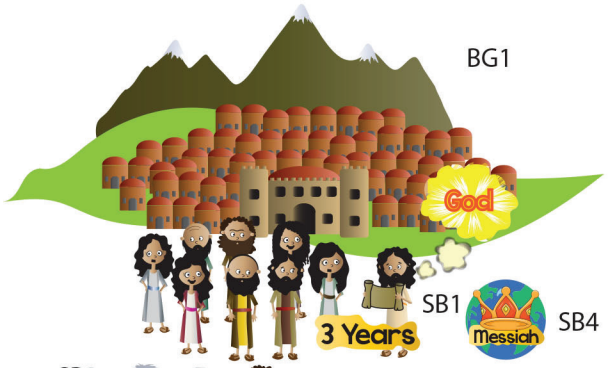
C God, we confess that we like to have our own way --even when it is disobeying You. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need the Holy Spirit to change our hearts to love You and live for You!

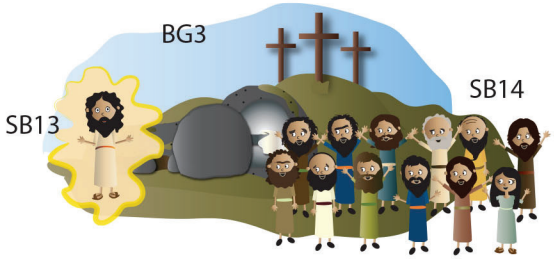
T Thank You, God for being able to change our hearts. Thank You for offering the gift of Your Holy Spirit to live within us and help us to know You and live for You.

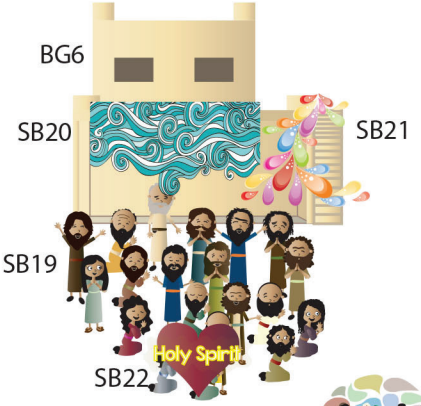
S God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send Your Holy Spirit to live in our hearts that we might know You and love You more and more.
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

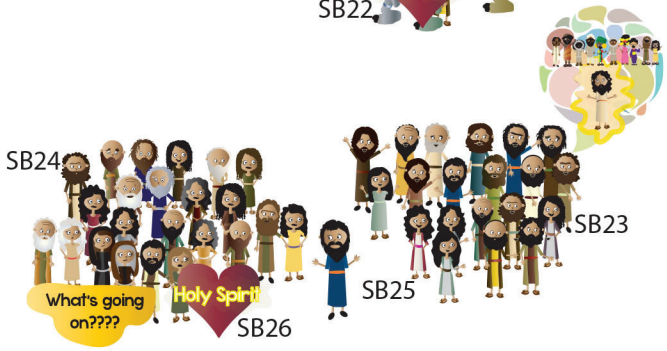
Return to page 7 of the Lesson Plan for the script of the rest of this lesson.

Note: Use sticky tac putty rather than velcro on back of pictures placed on top of other pictures.









HSK 10 Bible Story: The Case of the Heart Helper Acts 1-2

Suggested Picture Placement

Unit 10 Hide 'N' Seek Discussion Sheet

use with all FIVE lessons

Use with all response activities for deeper learning

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 talk about their answers, such as while the children work on their coloring pages, as part of their games, or during play time. Remember: your goal isn't to ask all these questions or to only talk to the children about these things. It is to be deliberate in having good conversations with them, as natural opportunities arise.

BIG QUESTION	What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? 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.
Discussion Questions	*choose a few* 1. What does the Holy Spirit do in God's people? *He changes their hearts to be like Jesus!* 2. Who works in our heart as we hear God's Word, the Bible? *The Holy Spirit.* 3. In whom does the Holy Spirit give us faith? *Jesus.* 4. How long does the Holy Spirit keep working inside of God's people? *Their whole lives.* 5. Who does the Holy Spirit help us know? *God.* 6. What does the Holy Spirit help us obey? *God's laws.* 7. How does the Holy Spirit help God's people when they are sad or scared? *He comforts them and helps them to be brave.* 8. How can we become one of God's people? *By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.*
THE GOSPEL	What is the good news that the disciples told the crowd on that wonderful day when God sent His Holy Spirit to live inside them? What is the gospel? *Peter told the crowd to turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. If they did, God would forgive their sins and send the Holy Spirit to live in their hearts, too.* *We, too, can have our sins forgiven and can have the wonderful closeness of the Holy Spirit in our hearts. We can know God in this wonderful way, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to answer this prayer!*

Unit 10 Hide 'N' Seek Discussion Sheet

use with all FIVE lessons

Questions to aid discussion of the key concepts and for use in games

BIBLE VERSE

"I will give you a new heart and put a a new spirit I will put in you." Ezekiel 36:26

Meaning

Each of us likes to have our own way—even if it means doing something that God doesn't want us to do. This is called sin and it comes from deep inside us in our hearts. We need a new heart, alive with love for God, if we are to be God's people. Only God can give us this new heart, by His Holy Spirit. This is how He changes our heart: His Holy Spirit comes to live within us, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Discussion Questions

choose a few

1. Who can give us a new heart? *God.*
2. What is the new spirit He can put in our heart? *His Holy Spirit.*
3. Why do we need God to put His Holy Spirit in our heart? *He is the only one who can change our heart from wanting to just have our own way to loving and living for God.*
4. What is the big Bible word for wanting to have our own way, instead of wanting God's way? *Sin.*
5. What can we ask God to help us to do? *To turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.*
6. Who will God send to live in our heart if we do? *He will send the Holy Spirit to live in our heart. He helps us to know and love God, and live for Him.*

BIBLE STORY

The Case of the Heart Helper

Discussion Questions

choose a few

1. What did Jesus show and tell people for three years? *He showed them what God was like and did many amazing things. He told them about God and that He was the Messiah, the special one sent to save God's people from their sins.*
2. What did Jesus gather together his special friends, the disciples to tell them? *That it was time for Him to suffer and die and go back to heaven.*
3. Why were the disciples sad and scared when they heard Jesus was going away? *They were sad because they always wanted Jesus to be with them. They were scared because they didn't know who would tell them about God and help them live for Him when Jesus left.*
4. Who did Jesus promise would come and help them when He left? *God's Holy Spirit.*
5. Where would the Holy Spirit live? *Inside of them, in their hearts.*
6. What did Jesus do as He suffered and died on the cross? *He took all the punishment for God's people's sins so they wouldn't have to.*
7. Who rose from the dead after He died? *Jesus did!*
8. What did Jesus do for forty days after He rose from the dead? *He walked and talked with His disciples, telling them many more things about God.*
9. What did Jesus tell His disciples to do right before He went up to heaven? *To go to Jerusalem and wait for the gift of the Holy Spirit.*
10. What special things did God do when He sent them the Holy Spirit that first time? *He filled the room with a strong wind and had something that looked like fire appear over their heads! Wow!*
11. What good news did the disciples tell others after the Holy Spirit came to live in their hearts? *They told others how they could have Jesus as their Savior and could also receive the wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit, living in their hearts.*
12. How can we become one of God's people? How can we have the Holy Spirit live in our hearts? *We can turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and send the Holy Spirit to live in our hearts.*