



BIBLE TRUTH 1 OVERVIEW

Unit 10: The Holy Spirit, The Indwelling God

Big Question and Answer: What does the Holy Spirit do in God's people?
He changes their hearts to be like Jesus!

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

Bible Truth 1 Concept: The Holy Spirit Lives in God's People

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And God continues to give His Holy Spirit to His people--all those who turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. He gives them each a new heart, filled with His Holy Spirit. He comforts them and helps them live for God, too. God can do this in our hearts, too!

Bible Truth 1 Bible Verse

Meditation Version: 1 Corinthians 6:19, ESV

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God?"

Bible Truth 1 ACTS Prayer

- A** God, we praise You for being the Giver of Your Holy Spirit to Your people.
- C** God, we confess that our rebellious hearts that do not love or serve You on our own. 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 changing Your people's hearts to love You by giving them the Holy Spirit inside their hearts.
- 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.

Bible Truth 1 Stories

Lesson 1: The Case of the Watchful-Waiters (New Testament)

Acts 2

Lesson 2: The Case of the Unbelievable Boldness (Story of the Saints)

Lesson 3: The Case of the Big Thaw (Old Testament)

Exodus 19:1-7; Ezekiel 36:24-37:14; Acts 2

1. GETTING STARTED: Welcome and Opening Songs (*introduce unit and get kids moving with these songs*)

<p>Welcome</p>	<p>“Welcome to Praise Factory. We’re so glad you’ve joined us! Here at the PFI, we’re investigators. (That’s what the “I” stands for!) Investigators look for answers to questions. In PFI, we look for answers to big questions about God. We dig deep down in the truths of God’s Word to find them.”</p>
<p>Praise Factory Theme Song</p>	<p>“Let’s sing our Praise Factory Investigator’s theme song.”</p> <p>PFI: Praise Factory Investigators <i>PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 1</i></p> <p>We’re PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, That’s PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, We’re looking for answers to very big questions, Big questions about God, If you’re looking for answers to very big questions ‘bout God, come along, Join PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, That’s PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word. Deep down, diggin’ down, Let’s go diggin’ down, Deep down, diggin’ down, ‘Til answers to all our Big Questions we’ve found. We’re PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word, That’s PFI: Praise Factory Investigators, Diggin’ deep down for truths in God’s Word.</p>
<p>Classroom Rules Song</p>	<p>An important part of Praise Factory is helping us worship God and love one another. Our WoGoLOA song reminds us how we should act. Let’s sing it.”</p> <p>WoGoLOA Rules Song <i>PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 2</i></p> <p>Refrain: WoGoLOA means “Worship God and love one another,” WoGoLOA means “Worship God and love one another.”</p> <p>WoGo means “Worship God.” Sound off, 1,2,3, Joyfully take part, Listen to others, Obey your teachers. (<i>Refrain</i>)</p> <p>LOA means “Love One Another.” Sound off, 1,2,3, Be kind, Be encouraging, Help others, help others. (<i>Refrain twice</i>)</p>

1. GETTING STARTED, continued

Opening Prayer	"Let's ask God to help us obey these rules, and to help us worship Him and love one another as we learn more about Him today. Let's pray." <i>Pray.</i>
Big Question Under Investigation: Big Question 10 and Songs	<p>"Now it's time to turn today's Big Question Under Investigation.</p> <p>It's: What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People?</p> <p>The Bible tells us that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He is three Persons, but just one God. God, the Holy Spirit, carries out God's plans--especially God's plans to work inside His people and change their hearts. The Holy Spirit is God's wonderful gift to His people! He is their helper and their comforter. He helps them know and love God. He helps them live for Him.</p> <p>So the answer to our Big Question, 'What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? is: He Changes Their Hearts to Be Like Jesus!'</p> <p>"Let's sing our Big Question Song(s): <i>choose one or both</i></p> <p>Big Q & A 10 Song <i>PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 3</i> <i>(adapted version of "Pop! Goes the Weasel)</i> What does the Holy Spirit do inside of God's people? What does the Holy Spirit do? He changes their heart!</p> <p>What Does the Holy Spirit Do in God's People? <i>PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 4</i></p> <p><i>Refrain</i> 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, He changes their hearts to be like Jesus!</p> <p>Verse 1 He gives life to the hearts of God's people, He gives them the gifts of repentance and faith, He puts love in the hearts of God's people, He helps them love God and others always. <i>Refrain</i></p> <p>Verse 2 God gives power to the hearts of people, 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. <i>Refrain</i></p>

1. GETTING STARTED, continued**Unit 10
Bible Verse**

You may also enjoy these songs:

A New Heart:
Ezekiel 36:26, ESV
PFI ESV Songs 10,
Track 6

Within You:
Ezekiel 36:26, ESV
PFI ESV Songs 10,
Track 7

You Shall Be Clean:
Ezekiel 36:25-27, ESV
PFI ESV Songs 10,
Track 8

"How do I know this is true? The Bible tells me so!

Ezekiel 36:36 tells us: "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you."

Big Question 10 Bible Verse Song

PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 5

I Will Give You a New Heart: Ezekiel 36:26

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

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 heart. We need a new heart, alive with love for God, if we are to be His people. Only God can give us this new heart, by His Holy Spirit. This is how He changes our heart.

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN: Key Concept and Story (introduce the Bible Truth and tell the related story)**Bible Truth 1**

"It's time for us to dig down deeper for answers to our Big Question. We're learning **FOUR** Bible Truths that all tell us something about the Holy Spirit. We are learning the first one today.

The Bible Truth we are going to be thinking about today is:

The Holy Spirit Lives in God's People.

God is one God, but three persons: God the Father, Jesus, the Son of God, and God, the Holy Spirit. Together they have always existed, delighting in wonderful fellowship together and working out the perfect plans of God. This is a wonderful truth, even though it is very hard to understand.

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2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued**Bible Truth 1
Hymn**

"Long ago, a man named Edwin Hatch was thinking about this Bible truth, too. He wrote the words a hymn called "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" We're going to learn two verse from it.

Breathe on Me, Breath of God*PFI ESV Songs 10, Tracks 9,10***Verse 1**

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

Verse 2

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with Thee I will Thy will,
To do and to endure.

We are all sinners. We were made to love and obey God, but we have all turned away from that most wonderful of lives. Only God can change us and He can, by His Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is nicknamed the "Breath of God." Our breath fills our body with the air that it needs to live. The Holy Spirit fills God's people with Himself so that they can know and love God and have His eternal life. God will send His Holy Spirit to work this way in us when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. This song is a prayer asking Him to do this.

**Bible Truth 1
Bible Verse
and Song**

"The Bible verse we are going to be digging down into for this Bible Truth is:

1 Corinthians 6:19

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God?"

God created every person with a body and a special heart, made to know and love God. When we become God's people, God fills that heart with His Holy Spirit. That makes their bodies like a temple--a special place of God's presence-- inside their bodies. What an amazing gift from God that we all can have!

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

A Temple of the Holy Spirit*PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 11*

Do you not know? Do you not know?
Do you not know, that your body is a temple?
Do you not know? Do you not know?
Do you not know, that your body is a temple?
A temple of the Holy Spirit within you,
A temple of the Holy Spirit within you,
Whom you have from God,
Whom you have from God.
First Corinthians Chapter Six, verse nineteen.

*You might also enjoy
this extra song:
Do You Not Know?
1 Corinthians 6:19
PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 12*

*I Will Ask the Father:
John 14:16-17, ESV
PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 13*

*Which Father Among You:
Luke 11:11-13
PFI ESV Songs 10, Track 14*

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued**LESSON 1 STORY**

New Testament Story:

The Case of the Watchful Waiters
Acts 2

"Now it's time for today's story called: **The Case of the Watchful Waiters.**

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

1. Who were the Watchful Waiters? Who were they watching and waiting for?

2. When did He come? What did He do? (If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)

Read story.

After reading story, ask for the children's answers to the questions.

1. Who were the Watchful Waiters? Who were they watching and waiting for?

The first believers in Jesus. They were watching and waiting for the Holy Spirit.

2. When did He come? What did He do?

He came on the Day of Pentecost. He came to live in their hearts.

Close in prayer. (prayer suggestions included at end of story)

LESSON 2 STORY

Story of the Saints:

The Case of the Unbelievable Boldness

"Now it's time for today's story called: **The Case of the Unbelievable Boldness.**

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

1. Who had Unbelievable Boldness? What did that boldness give them courage to do?

2. Where did the boldness come from? What did the boldness show others?

(If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)

Read story.

After reading story, ask for the children's answers to the questions.

1. Who had Unbelievable Boldness? What did that boldness give them courage to do?

Jim Eliot, and the men; Jim's wife Elizabeth and the other wives; and Dayuma. To try to tell the Aucas about Jesus, even though they would probably be killed.

2. Where did the boldness come from? What did the boldness show others? The Holy Spirit living in their hearts gave them courage to do what God wanted them to do, even though it might cost them their lives. God used their boldness to help the Aucas believe that the good news of Jesus was really true.

Close in prayer. (prayer suggestions included at end of story)

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued**LESSON 3****Old Testament Story:****The Case of the Big Thaw***Exodus 19:1-7;**Ezekiel 36:24-37:14;**Acts 2*

"Now it's time for today's story called: **The Case of the Big Thaw.**

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

1. What was hard and cold? How did this show?

2. Who could bring about the big thaw? Why could He do it?

(If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)

Read story.

After reading story, ask for the children's answers to the questions.

1. What was hard and cold? How did this show? The hearts of God's people to God and His good laws. It showed in how they broke His laws and turned away from His to worship other gods.

2. Who could bring about the big thaw? Why could He do it? Only God Himself could bring the big thaw to their hearts. He did it by sending Jesus to pay for their sins so that by faith they could be saved and the Holy Spirit could live in their hearts.

Close in prayer. (prayer suggestions included at end of story)

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

- **ACTS Prayer Activity:** Add your own prayer requests to the ACTS prayer
- **Sneaky Snack:** Story-related snack
- **Bible Truth Review Activity:** Game with questions related to the Bible Truth
- **Bible Truth Hymn:** Music activities to learn a portion of a Bible Truth-related hymn
- **Bible Verse Review Activity:** Game with questions related to Bible Truth Bible verse
- **Bible Verse Song:** Music activities to learn the Bible Verse song
- **Story Review Activity:** Game with questions related to the Bible Truth and Case
- **Case RePlay, Jr. and Sr.:** Two drama activities that review the story: one for younger children, one for older children.
- **Craft:** Story-related craft
- **VIPP (Very Important Prayer Person):** Game and a coloring activity to help children learn about people in your church and how to pray for them.

(VIP resources: found online or at back of this book)

4. TAKING IT TO OTHERS *Optional presentations for the last few minutes of class***Presenting to Other Children**

If you split the children into different response activities, you can gather the children together again and have each small group make presentations to show the other children what they learned. Presentation ideas are included in the resources for each activity.

Presenting to Parents

If you keep your children together for response activities, you can have them make a presentation of something they have learned to their parents when they come to pick them up from class. Presentation ideas are included in the resources for each activity.

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

Give out the PFI Pronto for the case story as well as any other materials as the children are dismissed.