



Unit 10
Bible Truth 3 Resources

BIBLE TRUTH 3 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."

Bible Truth 3 Concept: The Holy Spirit Gives God's People Wisdom

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 set aside time to regularly read God's Word and pray. They know this keeps their heart open to hear the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. This is also one of the reasons 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 them 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.

Bible Truth 3 Bible Verse

Meditation Version: Ephesians 1:17

"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."

Bible Truth 3 ACTS Prayer

A God, we praise You for being the Giver of wisdom through Your Holy Spirit.

C God, we confess that many times we chose not to ask You for wisdom. Instead we choose to do things our own way. We need Jesus to be our Savior! We need Your Holy Spirit to change our hearts to love You and live for You!

T Thank You, God for all the wisdom You offer us from Your Holy Spirit. Thank You for this wisdom You have given us through the Bible, godly parents and friends, our teachers at church, and directly to our hearts as we pray.

S God, work in our hearts, that we might turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Send the Holy Spirit to live in our hearts. Give us wisdom to know how to love You and others; and, to know how You want us to live. Help us to live out the wisdom You give us!

Bible Truth 3 Stories

Lesson 1: The Case of the Abandoned Highway (New Testament)

Acts 7-8

Lesson 2: The Case of the Hungry Cannibals (Story of the Saints)

Lesson 3: The Case of the Wonderful Wiseman (Old Testament)

I Kings 1-3; 2 Chronicles 1

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 are 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 NIV 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 NIV 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 NIV 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 NIV 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 might also enjoy this version:
A New Heart: Ezekiel 36:26,
NIV
PFI NIV Songs 10, Track 6*

"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 NIV Songs 10, Track 5

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

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

When we repent of our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, we become God's people. Not does He save His people from the punishment they deserved from their sins, but He changes them. He gives them a new heart--one that knows Him and loves Him. One that wants to please Him. God's Holy Spirit, Himself, comes to live inside them in this new heart. He is the one who brings about the wonderful changes in God's people. He helps them to know and love God. He helps them understand what God wants them to do and helps them to do it. He comforts them and reminds them of God's promises to them. His life in their heart is just a tiny taste of the wonderful life they enjoy with God when they go to live with Him in heaven forever.

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN: Key Concept and Story (introduce the Bible Truth and tell the related story)**Bible Truth 3**

"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 have learned some already. Can you remember any of them? (The Holy Spirit Lives in God's People and The Holy Spirit Gives God's People Courage.)

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

The Holy Spirit Gives God's People Wisdom.

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 set aside time to regularly read God's Word and pray. They know this keeps their heart open to hear the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. This is also one of the reasons 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 them understand God's truths and how God wants them to live them out.

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2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued**Bible Truth 3
Hymn**

"Long ago, a man named Daniel ben Judah Dayyan was thinking about this Bible truth, too. He wrote this hymn based on an ancient Hebrew song of praise. He called it "The God of Abraham Praise." We're going to learn a verse from it."

The God of Abraham Praise*PFI NIV Songs 10, Track 15***Verse 2**

His Spirit floweth free,
High surging where it will:
In prophet's word He spoke of old,
He speaketh still.
Established is His law,
And changeless it shall stand,
Deep writ upon the human heart,
On sea or land.

God's Holy Spirit is powerful to teach us and give us wisdom. Whether it is the words of the prophets or the laws or the words of the Psalms in the Old Testament; or, the words of Jesus in the gospels or the letters of people like Paul in the New Testament, God's Holy Spirit uses God's Word, the Bible, to give us His wisdom. And the wonderful thing is, He doesn't just help us understand it with our minds. We can ask Him to "write it on our hearts"--which means, change us by His wisdom that we love and live for God

**Bible Truth 3
Bible Verse
and Song**

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

Ephesians 1:17

"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."

God's people pray many things for each other. One of the best things they can pray for each other is for God to give them more of the Holy Spirit. He lives inside them and can give them God's wisdom. He reveals God's truths to them so they can know how to live. He reveals God, Himself, to them so they can know Him better.

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

I Keep Asking*PFI NIV Songs 10, Track 16*

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.

*You might also enjoy
this extra song:*

If Any of You: James 1:5

PFI NIV Songs 10, Track 17

And

*If Any of You Lacks Wisdom
James 1:5*

PFI NIV Songs 10, Track 18

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

New Testament Story:

The Case of the Abandoned Highway
Acts 7-8

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

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

- 1. Where was the Abandoned Highway? Who was told to go there?**
- 2. Who did this person find on the Abandoned Highway? What was he doing? How did the Holy Spirit work in him and in the person sent to him?**

(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. Where was the Abandoned Highway? Who was told to go there? It was the old road that lead south through Gaza.

2. Who did this person find on the Abandoned Highway? What was he doing? How did the Holy Spirit work in him and in the person sent to him? Philip found the Ethiopian official riding in his chariot and trying to understand God's Word. The Holy Spirit helped Philip explain the passage about Jesus and He helped the Ethiopian official understand it, repent of his sins and trust in Jesus as his Savior.

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

LESSON 2 STORY

Story of the Saints:

The Case of the Hungry Cannibals

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

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

- 1. Why was it so risky to go to live with cannibals? What are they known to eat?**
- 2. Who went to live with the cannibals in our story? How did the Holy Spirit give him wisdom?**

(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. Why was it so risky to go to live with cannibals? What are they known to eat?

They are known to eat people! Enemies and strangers, particularly, would be the kind of people they would choose to eat.

2. Who went to live with the cannibals in our story? How did the Holy Spirit give him wisdom? C.T. Studd went to live with a tribe of cannibals in Africa. The Holy Spirit confirmed his desire to risk his life to take the gospel to these people. Every day, C.T. prayed and read His Bible, seeking the Holy Spirit to give him wisdom to teach these people about Jesus.

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

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued**LESSON 3****Old Testament Story:****The Case of the Wonderful Wiseman**
*1 Kings 1-3;
2 Chronicles 1*

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

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

- 1. Who was the Wonderful Wiseman? Why did he want to be wise?**
- 2. Who gave him wisdom? How did he use his wisdom? How did he not use 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. Who was the Wonderful Wiseman? Why did he want to be wise?? David was the King Solomon. He knew he could not rule Israel on his own. He needed God's wisdom to rule well.

2. Who gave him wisdom? How did he use his wisdom? How did he not use it?

The Holy Spirit gave him wisdom. The Holy Spirit gave Solomon an especially wise mind. But, He also used Solomon's reading of God's Word and learning from the wisdom of others. Solomon used his wisdom to rule the people well in many ways and to teach others wisdom. He did not always live out what he learned. It was as he went against the wisdom God gave him that many troubles came to him and to Israel.

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.