

BIBLE TRUTH 2 OVERVIEW

Unit 4: The God Who Reveals Himself

Big Question and Answer: "Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like? He's Not Like Anyone Else!" **Bible Verse:** "O LORD...there is no God like you, in heaven above or on earth beneath." 1 King 8:23

Bible Truth 2 Concept: The LORD Is the Only True God

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But God created people to worship Him. He is the only, true God. He is our Creator and our king. He deserves for us to worship Him. He deserves for us to choose loving and obeying Him over everything else in our lives.

Not only does God deserve our worship, but only when we worship Him, will we be truly happy and live life as it was meant to be. Seeking His glory is also for our best good!

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse

Meditation Version: Psalm 86:8-10

"There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God."

Alternate Memory Version: Psalm 86:8, 10

"There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God."

Bible Truth 2 ACTS Prayer

- **A** God, we praise You for being the only true God, worthy of all our worship.
- **C** God, we confess that we are tempted to worship many other things than You--other gods, people, other things, even ourselves. Please forgive us! We need a Savior!
- **T** Thank You, God for treating us with mercy, forgiveness and love when we turn away from the other things we are tempted to worship and worship You, instead. Thank You for being willing to work in our hearts and help us to worship You. Thank You for making Your glory also for our best good.
- **S** God, show us the wrong things we worship and help us turn away from them. Help us to love You most of all and live to honor You. Help us to trust in Jesus as our Savior.

Bible Truth 2 Stories

Lesson 1: The Case of the Heavenly Showdown (Old Testament)

Exodus 3-12,15; Acts 9:17

Lesson 2: The Case of the Curious Children (Story of the Saints)

Lesson 3: The Case of the Troublesome Tentmaker (New Testament)

Acts 19:23-20:1; Ephesians; Revelation 2

LESSON PLAN: BIBLE TRUTH 2 (1 Lesson Plan fo

(1 Lesson Plan for ALL 3 Lessons)

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

Welcome

"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."

Praise Factory Theme Song

"Let's sing our Praise Factory Investigator's theme song."

PFI: Praise Factory Investigators

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 1

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.

Classroom Rules Song

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."

WoGoLOA Rules Song

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 2

Refrain:

WoGoLOA means "Worship God and love one another," WoGoLOA means "Worship God and love one another."

WoGo means "Worship God."

Sound off, 1,2,3,

Joyfully take part,

Listen to others,

Obey your teachers. (Refrain)

LOA means "Love One Another."

Sound off, 1,2,3,

Be kind,

Be encouraging,

Help others, help others. (Refrain twice)

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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." *Pray*.

Big Question Under Investigation:

"Now it's time to turn to today's **Big Question Under Investigation**.

It's: Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?

"There are many gods that people worship, but none are like the LORD. He is the one, true God. He's not like anyone else! He's always been alive--and He will never die. He's completely good and loving. He's all-powerful and all-wise. And that's just the beginning of what the LORD is like. He is so great! There will always be more of Him to know.

So the answer to our Big Question, 'Can Anybody Tell Me What the LORD Is Like?" is: He's Not Like Anyone Else!

Big Question 4 and Songs

"Let's sing our Big Question Song(s): choose one or both

Big Q & A 4 Song (adapted version of "Have You Ever Seen a Lassie?")

Can anybody tell me,

Tell me, tell me,

Can anybody tell me,

What the LORD is like?

He's not like anyone else,

Anyone else, anyone else,

He's not like anyone else,

That's what the LORD is like.

Big Question 4 Song: Tell Me

Refrain:

Tell me, can anybody tell me,

Tell me, what the LORD is like?

Tell me, can anybody tell me,

Tell me, what the LORD is like?

He's not like anyone else,

He's Omniscient! (He knows all things)

Omnipresent! (He's everywhere you can be)

Omni-benevolent! (He's always good!)

and Omnipotent! (He can do all things!) Refrain

He's Immutable! (He never changes!)

He's Infallible! (He makes no mistakes!)

He's Infinite! (There's always more of Him to know!)

And purely Righteous! (He has no sin! Not even a teeny, tiny speck!) Refrain

You may also enjoy singing Inspector Graff's ABC's of God

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 5

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 3

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 4

LESSON PLAN: BIBLE TRUTH 2

1. GETTING STARTED, continued

Unit 4 Bible Verse

You may also enjoy these other versions of this verse: In Heaven Above (short version) PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 7 In Heaven Above and Earth Beneath PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 8 O, O LORD PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 9 I Am God PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 10

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

1 Kings 8:23 tells us: "O LORD there is no God like you."

Big Question 4 Bible Verse Song In Heaven Above 1 Kings 8:23

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 6

O LORD, there is no God like you. In heaven above or on earth beneath, O LORD, there is no God like you. In heaven above or on earth beneath. (repeat)

In heaven above or on earth beneath, There is no God like you. In heaven above or on earth beneath, There is no God like you. (repeat)

First Kings Eight, twenty-three.

"There may be many gods that people worship, but none is like the LORD. Why? Because He is the one, true God."

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

Bible Truth 2

"It's time for us to dig down deeper for answers to our Big Question. We're learning **NINE** Bible Truths that all tell us something about what the LORD is like. Can you tell me which one we have already learned? (The LORD Is a Glorious Spirit)

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

The LORD Is the Only True God.

To worship means to love, honor and testify to the worth of someone. It usually means that we choose it to be more important than anything else in our lives. Sometimes it is a god that people worship. Sometimes it is other people or things that they love. Sometimes, they really just worship themselves.

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LESSON PLAN: BIBLE TRUTH 2 (1)

(1 Lesson Plan for ALL 3 Lessons)

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2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued

Bible Truth 2 Hymn

"Long ago, a man named Reginald Heber was thinking about this Bible truth, too. He wrote the words to a hymn called "Holy, Holy, Holy." We're going to learn a verse from it."

Holy, Holy, Holy Verse 3

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 11

Holy, holy, holy,

Though the darkness hide Thee,

Tho' the eye of sinful man

Thy glory may not see;

Only Thou art holy;

There is none beside Thee,

Perfect in pow'r,

In love and purity.

"The LORD made us to worship Him as the only, true God; yet, our sinful rebellion against Him "darkens" our hearts so that we refuse to see and confess Him as the glorious God He is. Instead, we seek other things to worship in His place. Nonetheless, there is none like the LORD, who is perfect in power, love and purity. He is holy!"

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse and Song

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

Psalm 86:8-10

"There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God."

This verse tells us that there is no one like the LORD. If we compare anyone else's deeds to the LORD's, it is easy to see just how great He is. He alone is God and worthy of our worship.

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

Among the Gods

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 12

Among the gods, there is none like you, O Lord; Nor are there works like yours. For you are great and do wondrous things, O Lord, You alone are God. Psalm Eighty-six, eight and ten.

Extra Bible Verse Song:

O LORD of Hosts: Isaiah 37:17, ESV

PFI ESV Songs 4, Track 13

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued

LESSON 1 STORY

Old Testament Story:

"Now it's time for today's story called: The Case of the Heavenly Showdown.

The Case of the Heavenly Showdown

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

1. Who was in the Heavenly Showdown?

Exodus 3-12,15;

Acts 9:17

2. Who won the showdown? What did the winner want to show the whole world? (If desired, write these questions on a sheet of paper to refer to when the story is finished.)

Read story.

LESSON PLAN: BIBLE TRUTH

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

- 1. Who was in the Heavenly Showdown? Pharaoh, the gods of Egypt and the LORD.
- 2. Who won the showdown? What did the winner want to show the whole world? The LORD. He is the One, True God.

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

LESSON 2 STORY

Story of the Saints:

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

Curious Children

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

- 1. Who were the Curious Children? Who did they want to meet?
- 2. Who else did they meet? How was he different from Shango?

(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 Curious Children? Who did they want to meet? Adeoti and Oke Oreokin. They wanted to meet the Babaegebe's wife and baby.
- 2. Who else did they meet? How was he different from Shango? The Lord. He was the one, true God. He was wonderful and good. He welcomed and forgave sinners who turn from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

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

2. DIGGING DEEP DOWN, continued

LESSON 3

New Testament Story:

The Case of the Troublesome Tentmaker

Acts 19:23-20:1; Ephesians; Revelation 2 "Now it's time for today's story called: The Case of the Troublesome Tentmaker.

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

- 1. Who was the thirsty woman? What did she think she was thirsty for?
- 2. Who knew what she was really thirsty for? How did he quench her real thirst?

(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 thirsty woman? What did she think she was thirsty for?** A Samaritan woman who had done many sinful things. Water.
- 2. Who knew what she was really thirsty for? What was it and how did he quench her real thirst? Jesus knew. He knew that she needed most of all to be forgiven of her sins and come to know God. He showed that He was the Messiah, God's Son, who became a man to save us from our sins and bring us to God. He told her how she could be saved through faith in Him.

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.

 (VIPP 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.