DEEP DOWN DETECTIVES

Visual Aids

Unit 7,

Bible Truth 2

About the Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids

How Are They Used?

The Deep Down Detectives Visual Aids book is a companion resource to be used alongside the Deep Down Detectives Core Curriculum book for each unit. These colorful pictures are used in presenting the key concepts; telling the Bible stories; and, in playing the Bible Story Review games.

What Do They Include?

There are five, different resources included in this book:

1. Key Concept Visual Aids-- colorful signs of the Big Question and Answer, the Bible Truth, the Bible verse, and the Listening Assignments to use with the 3 lessons for each Bible Truth.

2. The Storyboard Picture Key-a who's who of the pictures in thumbnail size. Some pictures are labeled "BG." These are your background pictures that you put on the storyboard before telling the story. The rest of the pictures are labeled "SB." These are pictures you put up on the storyboard as you tell the story.

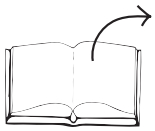
3. Storyboard Suggested Picture Placement page--where to place the pictures on your storyboard.

4. The pictures, themselves. Notice that each picture is identified and numbered on the back for easy reference. The numbers correspond to the numbers in the Picture Placement Key and in the actually story script (found in the Core Curriculum book.)

5. Directions for making the Deep Down Detectives "Bible" Folder and the **back/front images** to paste in place when making it. (Larger back/front images are found online with the curriculum.)

Directions for how to make a homemade flannelgraph storyboard and sturdy storyboard pictures are found in **Appendix E in the Core Curriculum book.**

Ready, Set, Rip It Out!



This book is meant to be ripped up and made into your visual aids. The key concept signs can be cut out and laminated or slipped into sheet protectors. Cut out around the storyboard images and ideally, laminate these. Some of the biggest pictures actually need to be stuck together, before laminating.

Store It!

Deep Down Detectives is a curriculum that can be used over and over. Store your visual aids and storyboard pictures after using them and they will serve you for many years. We store ours in manilla envelopes and then put them (along with all the rest of the curriculum) in magazine files, labeled by Bible Truth. If you have multiple classes using the curriculum, store each set of resources in separate manilla envelopes. This will make prep much simpler, second time around.

Replacement Storyboard Pictures

You can always purchase this book again or simply go online and print out any pictures that go missing.

Two Sizes of Storyboard Pictures

There are two sizes of storyboard pictures to choose from: the standard, large format pictures; or, the smaller format pictures. The larger pictures are best for a big classroom and a storyboard that is at least 36" x 48." (We actually make a whole section of a wall into a felt storyboard!) The small format pictures are created to fit smaller storyboards--in the 24" x 36" to 36" by 48" range. They are most useful in the smaller class or for use at home.

Place story in

take out

of BQB

The Case of the Rotten Innerds

Luke 18:9-14

Story-telling Tips

Ahead of time:

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

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 Rotten Innerds. Here is your listening assignment." *Read from Detective Dan's Listening Assignment signs, but questions are summarized below:*

Detective Dan's Lesson #1 Listening Assignment:

"Innerds" is a funny word that means a person's insides. And in this case, it means a rotten heart, full of sin.

I need to know:

1. Who had a rotten heart and knew it? Who had a rotten heart and DIDN'T know it?

2. What did Jesus want them all to do?

Detective Dan's Lesson #2 Listening Assignment:

Our Bible Verse is Romans 3:20,21,22,23, HCSB

"For no one will be justified in [God's] sight by the works of the law...But now, apart from the law, God's righteousness has been revealed....God's righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe...For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

I need to know:

1. Who thought they were justified (good) in God's sight? Why weren't they?

2. What did Jesus want these people to do?

Detective Dan's Lesson #3 Listening Assignment:

I found six clues, but two of them are **NOT** in the story.

They are: a drum, a Pharisee, a golden box, a sick man, the Temple, and a bag of money..

Hold each of them up for the children to see as you identify them.

I need to know:

1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't?

2. What did the bad, bad, bad man pray that pleased God? What did God do for this man?

Read the assignment questions, THEN SAY,

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

Read the Bible Truth story, answer questions, present the gospel and lead in prayer.

Answers to questions; the gospel; and, ACTS prayer are included with the story text.

The Case of the Rotten Innerds *Luke 18:9-14*

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.

Many sick people who came to see Jesus. (SB1) People with all sorts of sicknesses came, with their limping legs, their blind eyes, their skin with sores, their bleeding that wouldn't stop. Some of them were about to die. They all came to Jesus and what do you think Jesus did?

Can you guess?

(SB2) Jesus healed them with God's power! No doctor or medicine needed! "Who has ever healed sick people the way Jesus does!" they would exclaim.

(SB3) People who wanted to hear about God came, too. They crowded around Jesus, listening to everything He had to say. Jesus told them about God and His Kingdom. He told them how God wanted them to live. (SB4) They listened to Him and were amazed at what He had to say. "Who has ever told us about God the way Jesus does!" they would exclaim.

(SB5) Even people who had done all sorts of sinful things came to Jesus. Men and women who had disobeyed God's 10 commandments in so many ways—people who had stolen money; people who had not loved their husbands or wives; people who had hurt other people; people who had worshipped other gods, and so many more. They all came to Jesus for forgiveness and what do you think happened?

What do you think?

(SB6) Jesus gave them God's forgiveness as they turned away from their sins and believed in Him. "Who has ever forgiven sins the way Jesus does!" they would exclaim.

Sick people, sinful people, people eager to hear, all came to Jesus and He satisfied them. How wonderful, how amazing was Jesus!

(SB7) But there was another kind of people who came to Jesus, too. These people were different than all the rest. They were not sick. They were not eager to hear. And most of all, they didn't even think they were sinners who needed God's forgiveness. They were the important Bible teachers back in Jesus' day. They had a special name for themselves. Do you know what it was?

Can you remember?

They were called Pharisees.

The Pharisees were smart and they studied hard. (SB8) Not only did they learn and try to keep all of God's Ten Commandments, but they learned all of God's other laws, too. They spent day after day, week after week, year after year, learning them all by heart! Wow!

And if all of God's laws weren't enough, (SB9) the Pharisees added a lot of extra, little rules to them for everyone to obey. Little rules about this and that. Rules about the special way to wash your hands before you ate and when you got up in the morning (not to make sure your hands weren't dirty, but to please God). Rules about not eating. Rules about giving extra gifts to God. Rules about what work you could NOT on the Sabbath Day of Rest (such as not looking in a mirror because you might be tempted to pluck out a gray hair from your head)…and lots and lots more extra, little rules. These Pharisees tried very, very hard to keep all those extra, little rules. (SB10) They made the people keep them, too. They thought all those extra little rules helped them keep God's big laws better. They thought all those extra rules pleased God and made them were good, good, good people.

And most of all, the Pharisees thought God might send the Messiah, the Savior, sooner if everyone was very good, good, good, and kept all of these little, bitty rules as well as God's laws. Oh, how they wanted the Messiah to come!

But those Pharisees were wrong about so many things! They didn't realize that the Messiah, the Savior, HAD come already. He was right there, teaching among them. Can you tell me who God's Savior was?

Can you tell me?

It was Jesus!

And the Pharisees were wrong about something else, too. (SB11) Instead of these Pharisees becoming good, good, good people when they kept all of these extra little, bitty, rules, they became (SB12) proud, proud, proud people! "We are better than everyone else because we do such a good job keeping all these extra, little, bitty rules," many of them thought. "We're so good that we don't need God's forgiveness like other people. God is pleased with us just the way we are!" they believed.

Do you think these Pharisees were right? Did keeping all of these extra, little, bitty rules mean they didn't need God's forgiveness?

How very, very wrong those Pharisees were! All those extra, little, bitty rules they made up didn't please God. Why, not even trying very hard to obey all of God's Laws was enough to please God! There was only ONE WAY to please God by His laws. Do you know what it was?

It was keeping God's laws ALL THE TIME! Never disobeying one….ever! Never saying anything wrong… never doing anything wrong…never thinking anything wrong…never BEING anything wrong. Do you think that sounds like something those Pharisees could do?

What do you think?

No, the Pharisees could not be this good. (SB13) They had "rotten innerds" --sinful hearts--just like everyone else. They would never be able to please God by trying to be good.

And guess what? Neither can we. Why? Because every one of us has a sinful heart, too. Every one of us have broken God's laws. We all need God's forgiveness for our sins. That is the only way we can know and please God. That's the only way we can live with God as His people.

But these poor, proud Pharisees would just not see this. They were SURE that they were already good enough to please God… and they were SURE that all those other people who came to Jesus were not. So what did Jesus do with these proud men who thought they were so good, good, good?

What do you think He did?

Jesus loved them, that's what He did. He wanted to help them, just like He wanted to help everyone else who came to Him. So He told them a story to help them see that they needed God to save them and forgive them, just like everyone else did. Maybe then they would understand that they were sinners and would ask God for forgiveness.

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

And this is the story Jesus told them:

"One day, two men went to God's Temple-Church to pray. (SB14) One man was a Pharisee. (SB15) The other man was a tax collector," Jesus said.

"The Pharisee thought he was a good, good, good man who pleased God by obeying God's laws and the teachers' extra rules. So he stretched his arms up high and looked up to heaven and proudly prayed, "God, thank You that I am different from other men--like that tax collector over there. I don't do the bad things they do. (SB16) I am good, good, good. (SB17) I keep all your laws and all the extra rules of my teachers, too,"

Can you believe that? That Pharisee didn't praise God for being good! He only boasted to God about his OWN goodness! That Pharisee wasn't really a good, good, good man at all, was he? No!(SB18) He really was a proud, proud, proud man!

Then Jesus went on with his story. He told about the other man. "The tax collector came to the Temple knowing he was a bad, bad, bad man. (SB19) He knew he had rotten innerds--a sinful heart. He knew it showed in how he lived. (SB20) He had chosen to disobey God's good laws. He had chosen to become rich by taking too much money from people.

And when this tax collector prayed to God, it wasn't boldly and proudly like the Pharisee had. No, this man KNEW he had done lots of bad things and he was sad about them. He was sad he had disobeyed God's laws and treated others so badly. He KNEW he wasn't right with God; and oh, how he wanted to be!

The tax collector was too ashamed on his sins to stretch up his arms or look up to heaven to pray. He looked down at his feet, and beat his chest, and cried out to God, "God, have mercy on me! I am so bad. I have disobeyed Your laws. I have a sinful heart. Have mercy on me! Please, forgive my sins!"

Then Jesus told the Pharisees listening to Him: "(SB21) The Pharisee went home feeling proud. He was so sure that his life pleased God, but he was wrong. God is not pleased with proud people who don't see that they are sinners who need His forgiveness," Jesus told them.

"But that tax collector who had done all those bad things,(SB22) he went home forgiven by God," Jesus said. "God loves to forgive sinners—even very bad, bad, bad sinners-- who confess their sins to Him and humbly ask for His forgiveness," Jesus told them.

What did the Pharisees think of Jesus' story? Did they learn from it? Did they see that everyone has broken God's laws... even people, like themselves, who tried really hard to be good, good, good? Did they at last see that no one can ever does enough good things to be proud before God? Did they see their own sins and ask God to forgive them?

What do you think?

The Bible doesn't tell us what happened with these Pharisees this day. But we DO know that later, some of these very important teachers--like (SB23) Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus--DID turn away from their sins and asked God to forgive them. (SB24) They put their trust in Jesus as their Savior. And did you know that these two men were the very ones who put Jesus' body in the cave-grave after He had suffered and died on the cross?

How amazed and happy they both must have been when (SB25) Jesus rose from the dead three days later! Jesus really was the Messiah, the Savior, God had sent to save His people and forgive their sins! He had beaten sin and death for them all!

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:
"Innerds" is a funny word that means a person's insides. And in this case, it means a rotten heart, full of sin.
I need to know:
1. Who had a rotten heart and knew it? Who had a rotten heart and DIDN'T know it? Many of the people who came to see Jesus knew they had disobeyed God's laws and were sinners. They knew they needed God's forgiveness. The Pharisees were also sinners with "rotten hearts," but they didn't know it. They thought they please God with all the laws they kept and all the good things they thought they did.
2. What did Jesus want them all to do? Jesus wanted everyone to turn away from their sins, asked God for forgiveness and trust in Him as their Savior.

For You and Me:
Just like everyone in Jesus' day, we, too, have sinful "rotten" hearts. We all break God's laws and we need His forgiveness. We can have His forgiveness when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

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I need to know:
1. Who thought they were justified (good) in God's sight? Why weren't they? The Pharisees thought they were justified in God's sight because they kept God's laws. They weren't justified because no one (except Jesus) keeps God's laws perfectly---and that's the only way to be justified by obeying God's law.
2. What did Jesus want these people to do? He wanted them to understand that they were sinners who needed to turn to God and ask for His forgiveness. He wanted them to trust in Him as their Savior so they might be saved from their sins.

For You and Me:
Just like the Pharisees, we also cannot be justified (made right with God) by doing good things and trying to obey God's laws. We will never obey them perfectly. We all break God's laws and we need His forgiveness. We can have His forgiveness when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

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Hold each of them up for the children to see as you identify them.

I need to know:
1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't? The Pharisee, the sick man, the Temple and the bag of money belong. The drum and the golden box do not.
2. What did the bad, bad, bad man pray that pleased God? What did God do for this man? He told God that he was a sinner and asked for God to show him mercy. He knew he needed God's forgiveness. God forgave his sins.

For You and Me:
Like the tax collector, we, too, have sinned against God. We need God to forgive our sins. And God will! How? When we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

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

Our Bible Truth is:
What Are God's Laws Like?
God's Laws Are Perfect..
They Show Us that We Need God to Save Us!

How true that is! We learn God's laws and we know that we break them! We choose to disobey God. We all deserve God's punishment for our sins! And we know that we can never deserve His forgiveness. How sad! God would have been perfectly fair to give us all the punishment we deserve for breaking His laws. He is holy and good. But God is so rich in mercy. He chose to give us something better than we deserve. He sent His Son Jesus to live a perfect life. Yes! Jesus kept every, single one of God's laws! And on the cross, He suffered and died, giving His perfect life as the full payment for the sins of all who turn away from their sins and trust in Him as their Savior. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead. He had really beaten sin and death! Because of Jesus, all who trust in Him as their Savior get to enjoy wonderful, special closeness with God as His special people, even now. And one day, they will go to live with Him forever. We can be God's people when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus. Ask Him to help you! He loves to do this!

Close in prayer.

Closing ACTS Prayer

A We praise You, God, for being the Giver of perfectly good laws.

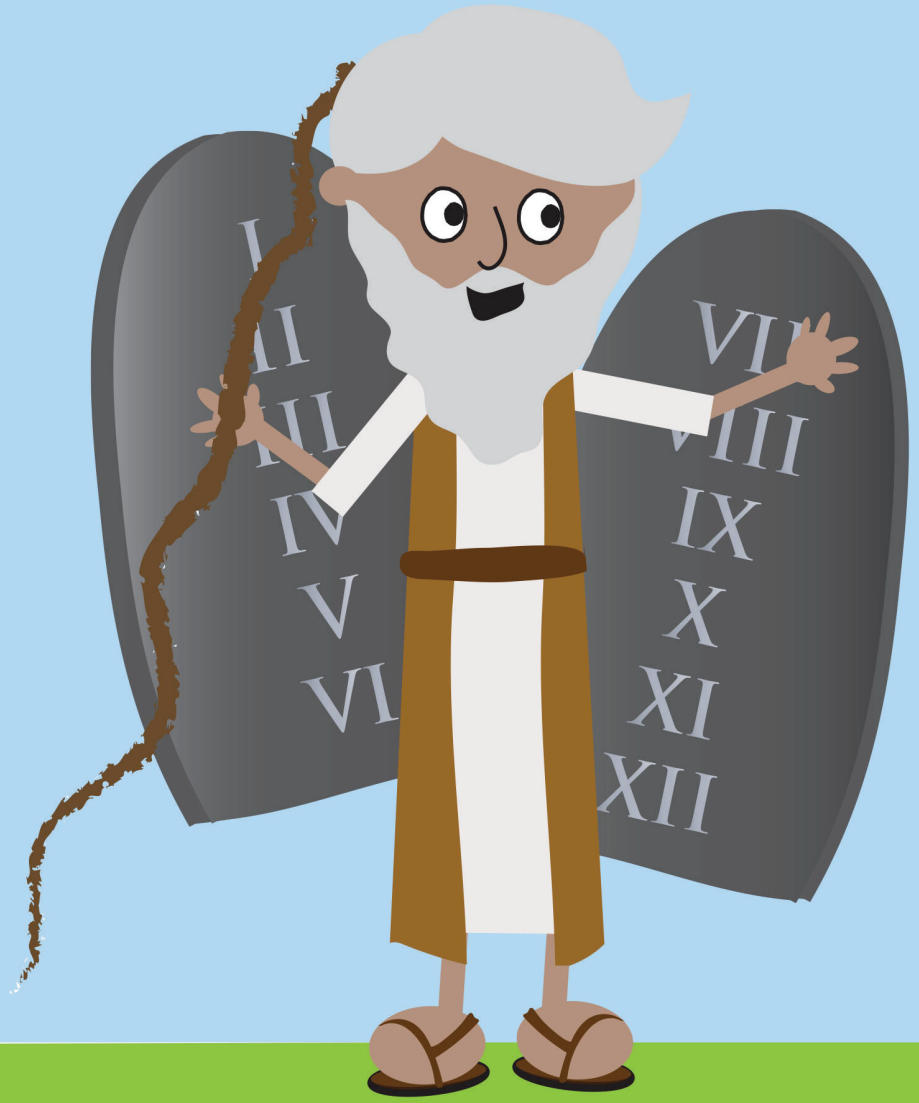
C God, instead of keeping Your good laws, we have all chosen to break them. Sometimes we do not obey our parents, sometimes we lie, sometimes we want things that belong to others, we do not love you most of all. Those are only some of the ways we break Your good laws. Oh, how we need a Savior!

T Thank You, God, for giving us Your good laws so we know how to love and obey You. And thank You for sending Jesus to perfectly live out Your laws and to give His life as the perfect payment for the sins of Your people. Thank You that He can be our Savior when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him.

S God, work in our hearts. Help us to turn away from disobeying You and trust in Jesus as our own Savior. Help us to know You and love You with the spirit You put inside us. Help us to learn Your good laws and obey them. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Go to Lesson Plan, p.9 for the script to the rest of the lesson.

What are God's laws like?



ANSWER:

God's laws are perfect!

VISUAL AID #1

take out Big Question Briefcase *of BQB*

DDD 7 Big Question and Answer Sign

The Big Question

Hold up the Big Question sign for all the children to see, and say:

The Big Question we are investigating today is
Big Question Number 7:

What Are God's Laws Like?
and the Answer is:
God's Laws Are Perfect!

Meaning:
A law is a big rule made by someone in charge. God is our Maker. He is in charge of everyone in the whole world. He has given us His laws to live by.

God is good and loving, wise and fair. He is perfect! God's laws are just like Him. They are good and loving, wise and fair, too. They are perfect!

God's laws show us the very best way to live. They show us how to love God and love others. They are exactly what we need.

Let's sing our Big Question Song: "

Big Q & A 7 Song

DDD ESV Songs 7, track 12
(adapted version of "The Farmer in the Dell")

What are God's laws like?
What are God's laws like?
What are God's laws like?
God's laws are perfect!

BIG QUESTION 7: Three truths about God's laws

Visual Aid #2

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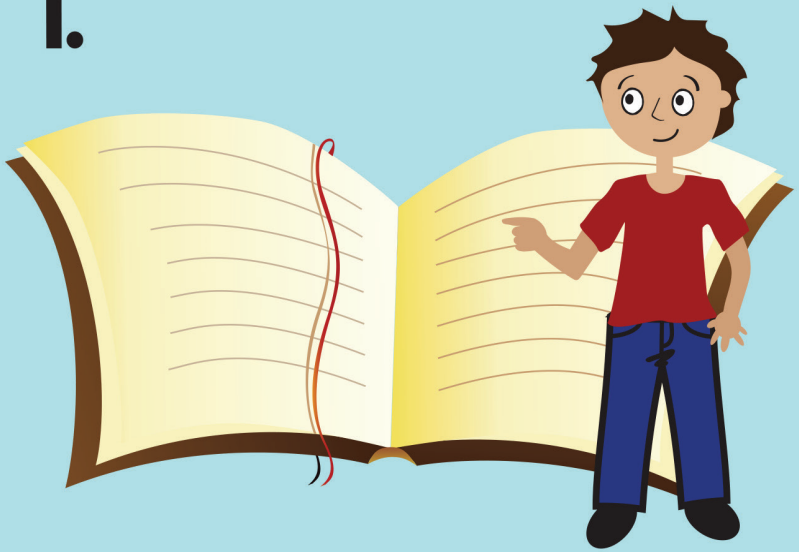

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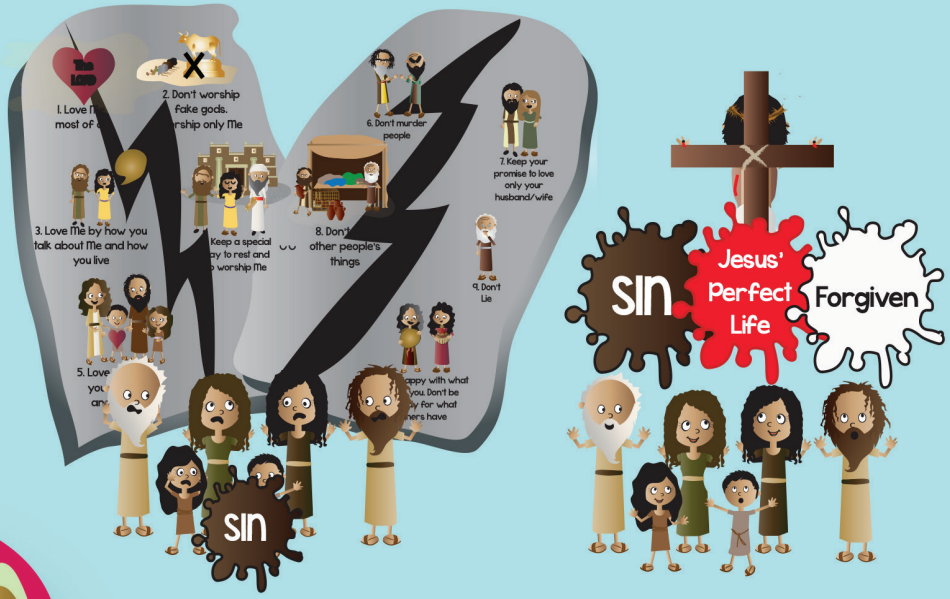

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This Unit's Bible Truths

"God's laws are perfect is a good beginning, but there's so more to learn. So it's time for us to dig down even deeper for more answers to our Big Question about God. We're going to be learning THREE Bible truths that all tell us more about God's perfect laws.

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

Choose a child to get it and hand it to you, then hold it up and show them the pictures of the three truths they will be learning. After everyone has had a good look, say...

"Ok, we've learned one truth about God's laws. It's this one: "They Were Written in the Bible, God's Word." (point to pictures as you identify each Bible Truth). Now let's look at our Bible Truth Clue sign and see if we can figure out which of these three truths we will be learning about today. Who would like to get it out of the Big Question Briefcase for me?"

Choose a child to open the briefcase, take out the Bible Truth Clue sign and hand it to you.

CAN YOU GUESS BIBLE TRUTH 2:

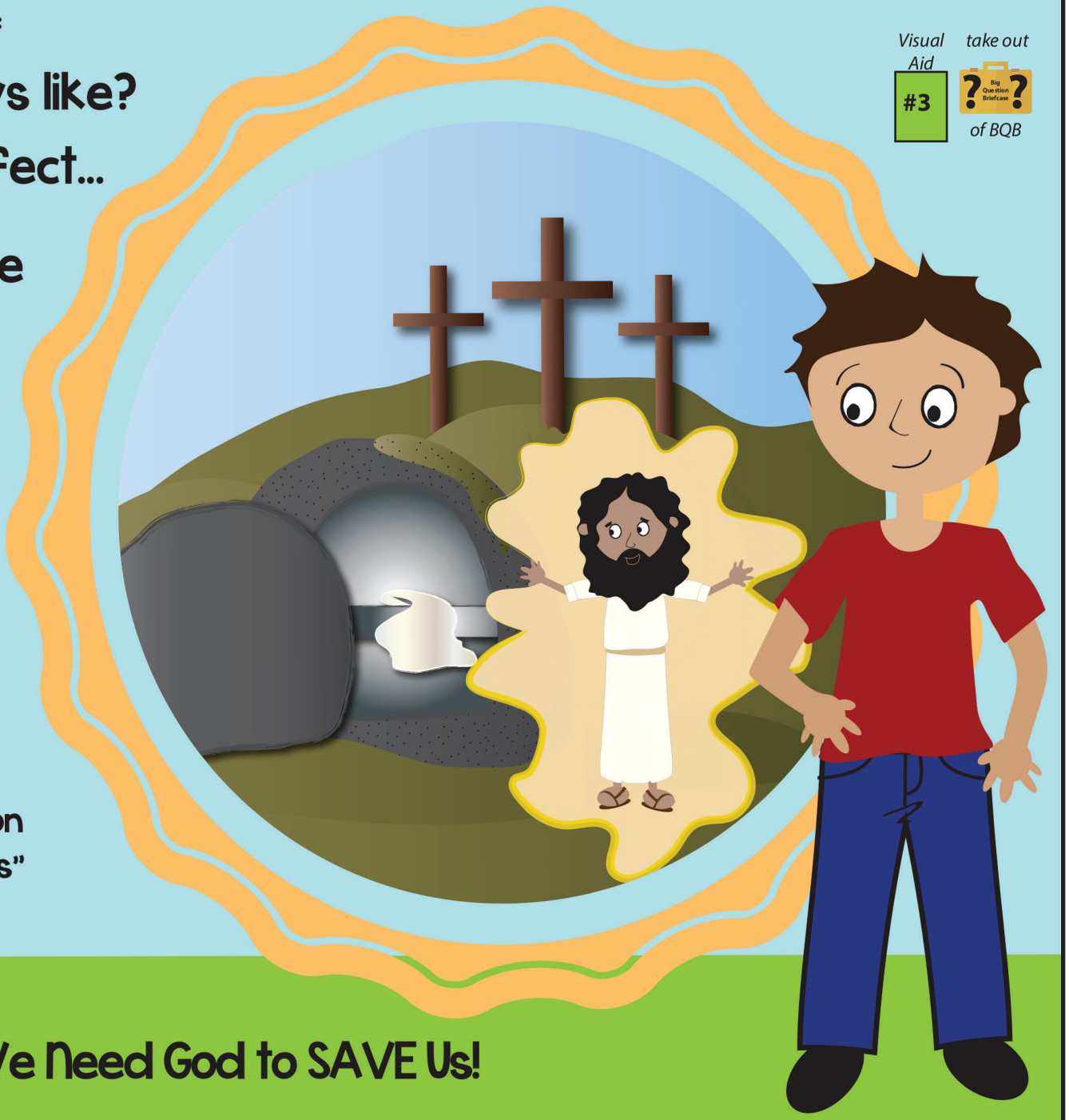
What are God's laws like?

God's laws are perfect...

they show us that we need God to ???? us!

Visual Aid #3

take out Big Question Briefcase of BQB



HINT: "What did Jesus do for God's people when He died on the cross? It starts with an "s" and it rhymes with "brave."

ANSWER:

They Show Us that We Need God to SAVE Us!

DDD 7.2 Bible Truth 2--Front

Revealing the Bible Truth We Are Learning

Hold up the front side for the children to see. Cover up the answer, written along the bottom, and say:

"What Are God's Laws Like?
God's Laws Are Perfect!
They Show Us that We Need God to <u>????</u> Us!"

We're missing one word. Here's the hint to what the missing word is. It says: "What did Jesus do for God's people when He died on the cross? It starts with a "s" and it rhymes with "brave."

Can you guess? It's "save."

So the Bible Truth we are learning today is:

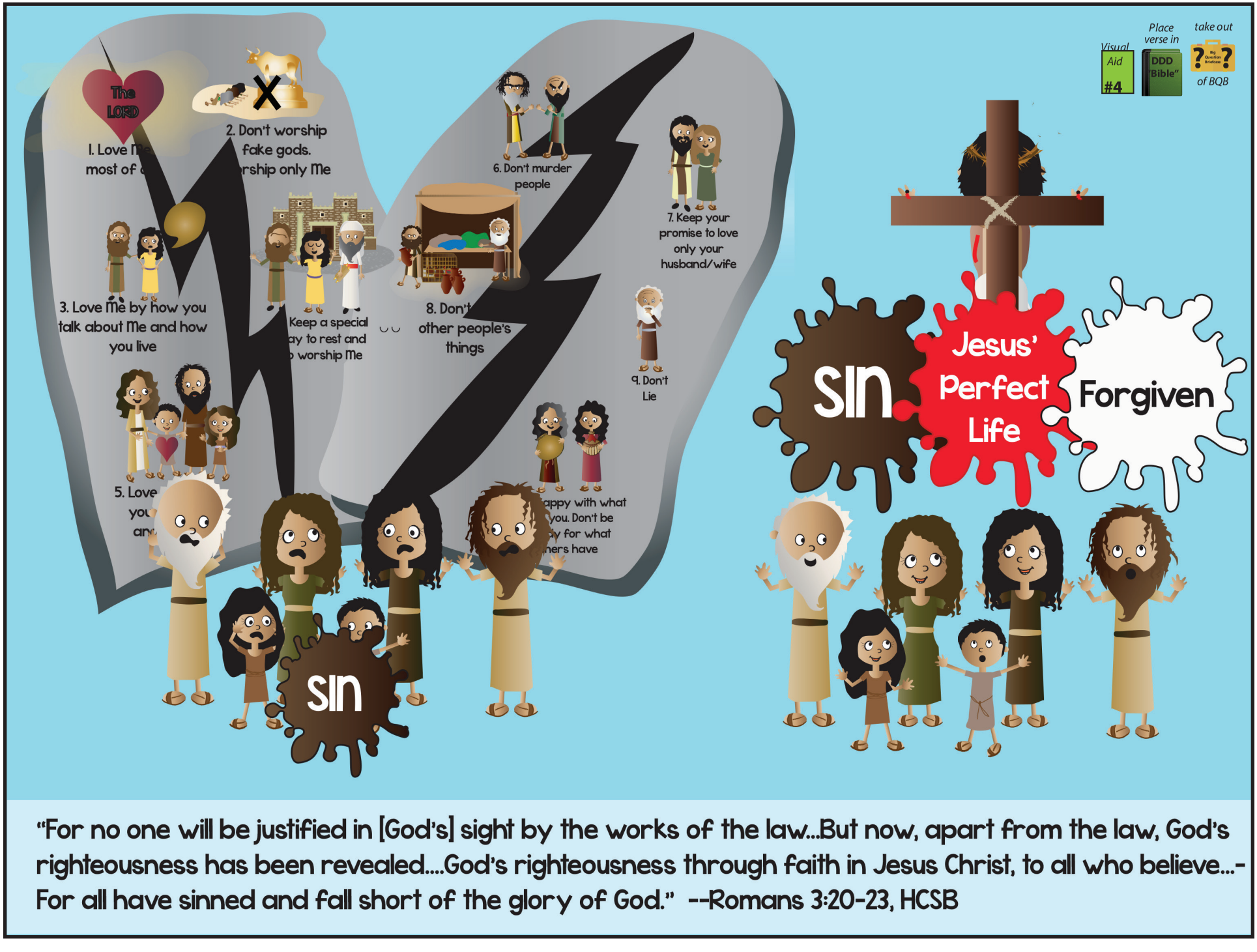
(uncover answer from bottom of sign, show it to them and say:)

"What Are God's Laws Like?
God's Laws Are Perfect!
They Show Us that We Need God to <u>SAVE</u> Us!"

And here is what this Bible Truth means:
(read the meaning off of the back of the sign, say:)

God made us and He is in charge of us. He expects us to obey His laws all the time. But sadly, we do not. We all are sinners with sinful, selfish hearts. We disobey God's Law. We deserve His punishment for our sins. How we have rebelled against Him and His good ways!

But God is so kind and merciful! He wants to treats us better than we deserve. He sent Jesus to take the punishment for the sins of all who trust in Him as their Savior. God forgives their sins and gives them special closeness with Him in their hearts. And when they die, they will go to live with Him forever in a perfect world where there will never again be any sin. They will never again sin against Him or break His good laws. They will aways love Him and others as He wants them to. Jesus can be our Savior, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior.



"For no one will be justified in [God's] sight by the works of the law...But now, apart from the law, God's righteousness has been revealed....God's righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe...-For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." --Romans 3:20-23, HCSB

Bible Truth 2 Bible Verse

Remove the Bible Verse Picture from the "Bible" folder and hold it up for all the children to see, then say:

Romans 3:20,21,22,23 tells us:

Romans 3:20,21,22,23, HCSB
"For no one will be justified in [God's] sight by the works of the law... But now, apart from the law, God's righteousness has been revealed.... God's righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe... For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Learn a Little: "Apart from the law, God's righteousness has been revealed... righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe."

What does that mean?
"Righteous" is a big word that means that you are right with God. The only way we can be right with God ON OUR OWN is by obeying God's laws perfectly. But, uh oh! This Bible verse tells us that we are all sinners who break God's laws. That means we can't EVER be right with God by obeying God's laws.

But God has made a way for us to be right with Him—through His Son, Jesus. Jesus came and lived a perfect life. He kept all of God's good laws perfectly. He was righteous! And this Bible verse tells us that for all who trust in Jesus as their Savior, Jesus takes away their sins and gives His righteousness to them. That means God treats they as if they had never broken God's laws or sinned-- just like Jesus! Wow! Isn't that amazing! Isn't Jesus a wonderful Savior! He can be our wonderful Savior, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Him as our Savior.

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

By Works of the Law: Romans 3:20-23

DDD ESV Songs 7, track 21

By works of the law,
By works of the law,
No one will be justified,
By works of the law. *Why?*

For all have sinned,
Fall short of the glory of God. *Oh, no!*

But listen to what God has done:

Apart from the law,
Apart from the law,
Now God's righteousness has been revealed,
Apart from the law. *How?*

Through faith in Jesus Christ,
To all who believe. Thank you, God!
Romans Three, twenty through twenty-three.

"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?"

Visual Aid #5A

Place in DDD Bible"

take out Big Question Briefcase of BQB

#1

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #1

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Hi, Deep Down Detectives!
I'm working on a brand-new case called:
"The Case of the Rotten Innerds."

I need to find out:
"Innerds" is a funny word that means a person's insides. And in this case, it means a rotten heart, full of sin.
I need to know:
1. Who had a rotten heart and knew it? Who had a rotten heart and DIDN'T know it?
AND
2. What did Jesus want them all to do?

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

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.

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

Answers:
1. Who had a rotten heart and knew it? Who had a rotten heart and DIDN'T know it? Many of the people who came to see Jesus knew they had disobeyed God's laws and were sinners. They knew they needed God's forgiveness. The Pharisees were also sinners with "rotten hearts," but they didn't know it. They thought they please God with all the laws they kept and all the good things they thought they did.
2. What did Jesus want them all to do? Jesus wanted everyone to turn away from their sins, asked God for forgiveness and trust in Him as their Savior.

For You and Me:
Just like everyone in Jesus' day, we, too, have sinful "rotten" hearts. We all break God's laws and we need His forgiveness. We can have His forgiveness when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

Visual Aid #5B

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#2

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #2

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

Our Bible verse is Romans 3:20,21,22,23, HCSB:
"For no one will be justified in [God's] sight by the works of the law...But now, apart from the law, God's righteousness has been revealed....God's righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe...For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

I need to find out:
1. Who thought they were justified (good) in God's sight? Why weren't they?
AND
2. What did Jesus want these people to do?

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

Thanks for your help!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.
Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Answers:

Our Bible Verse is: Romans 3:20,21,22,23, HCSB
"For no one will be justified in [God's] sight by the works of the law...But now, apart from the law, God's righteousness has been revealed....God's righteousness through faith in Jesus Christ, to all who believe...For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

For You and Me:
1. Who thought they were justified (good) in God's sight? Why weren't they? The Pharisees thought they were justified in God's sight because they kept God's laws. They weren't justified because no one (except Jesus) keeps God's laws perfectly---and that's the only way to be justified by obeying God's law.
2. What did Jesus want these people to do? He wanted them to understand that they were sinners who needed to turn to God and ask for His forgiveness. He wanted them to trust in Him as their Savior so they might be saved from their sins.

For You and Me:
Just like the Pharisees, we also cannot be justified (made right with God) by doing good things and trying to obey God's laws. We will never obey them perfectly. We all break God's laws and we need His forgiveness. We can have His forgiveness when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

Visual Aid #5C

Place in "DDD Bible"

take out of BQB

#3

Detective Dan's Listening Assignment #3

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

I found SIX clues, but TWO of them are NOT in the story. They are: a drum, a Pharisee, a golden box, a sick man, the Temple, and a bag of money.

Hold up each of the six pictures for the children to see as you identify them. Better yet, put them up on your flannelgraph board, off to one side.

I need to know:
1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't? AND
2. What did the bad, bad, bad man pray that pleased God? What did God do for this man?

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

Thanks!
Detective Dan

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

Read the Bible Truth story, putting up the storyboard pictures as you tell it. At the end of the story, repeat the questions and lead the children in answering them. Present the gospel and close in prayer.
Answers to assignment questions, the gospel and ACTS prayer are also included at the end of the story text.

Answers:
1. Which four belong in the story and which two don't? The Pharisee, the sick man, the Temple and the bag of money belong. The drum and the golden box do not.
2. What did the bad, bad, bad man pray that pleased God? What did God do for this man? He told God that he was a sinner and asked for God to show him mercy. He knew he needed God's forgiveness. God forgave his sins.

For You and Me:
Like the tax collector, we, too, have sinned against God. We need God to forgive our sins. And God will! How? When we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. God will forgive our sins and make us His people. Ask God to help you! He loves to answer this prayer!

A Drum

A Pharisee

DDD 7.2 Lesson 3 Listening Assignment Clue Pictures, 1 and 2

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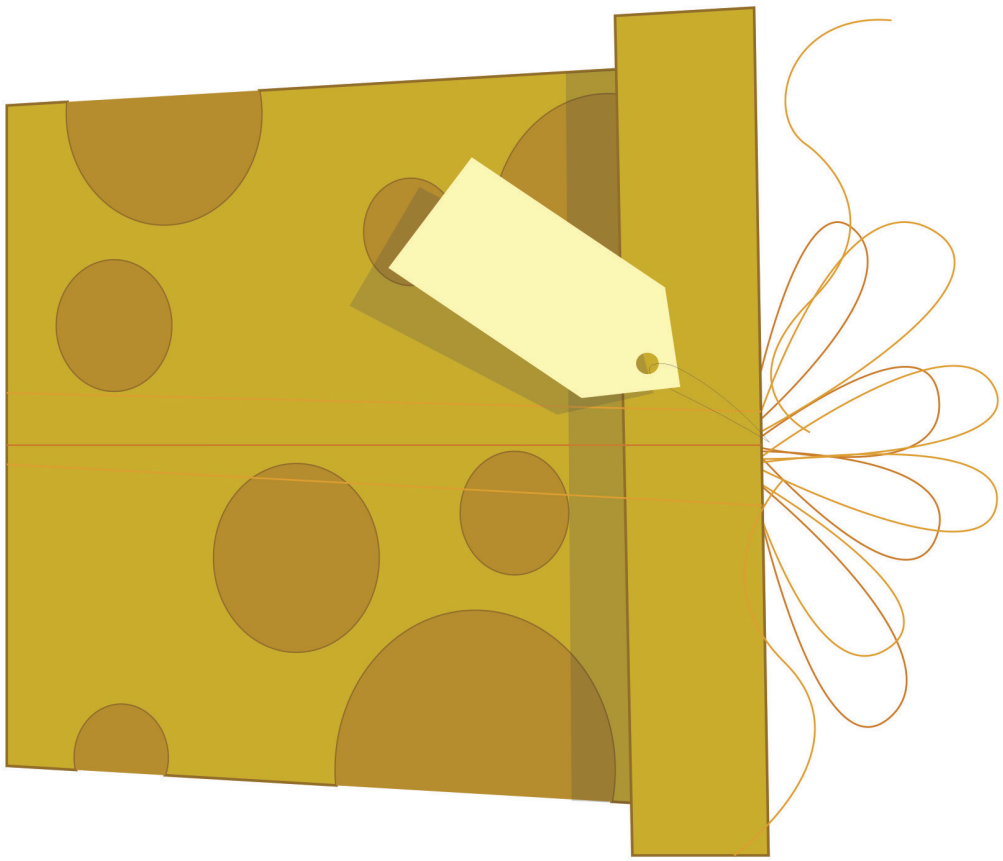
DDD 7.2 Lesson 3 Listening Assignment Clue Picture1 for kids

A Golden Box



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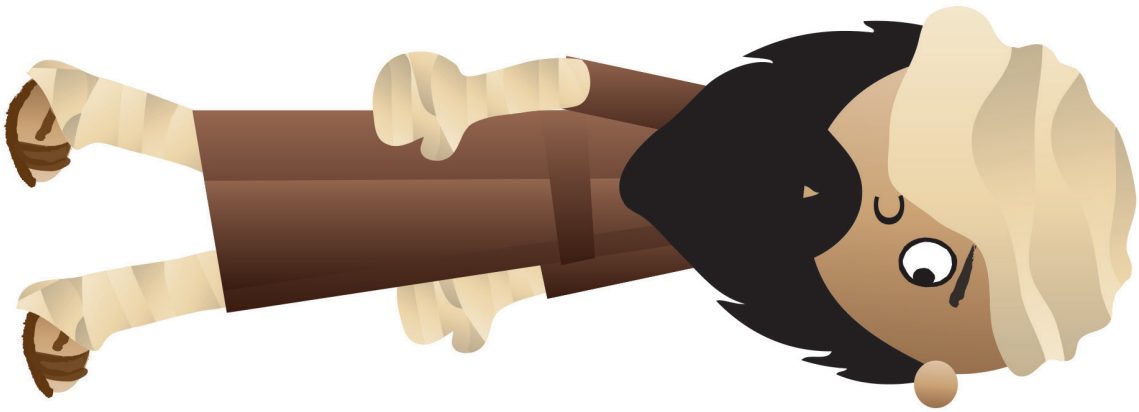

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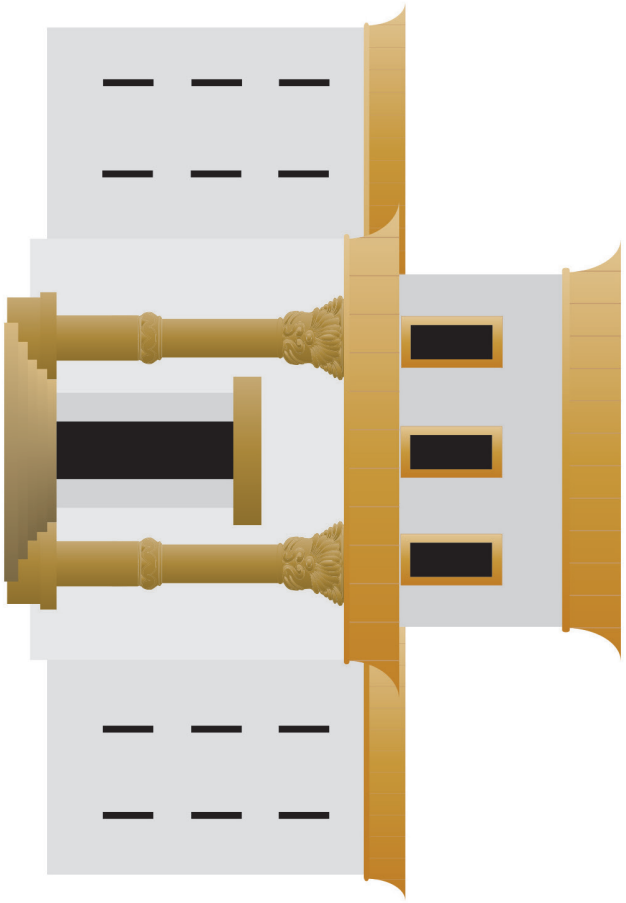
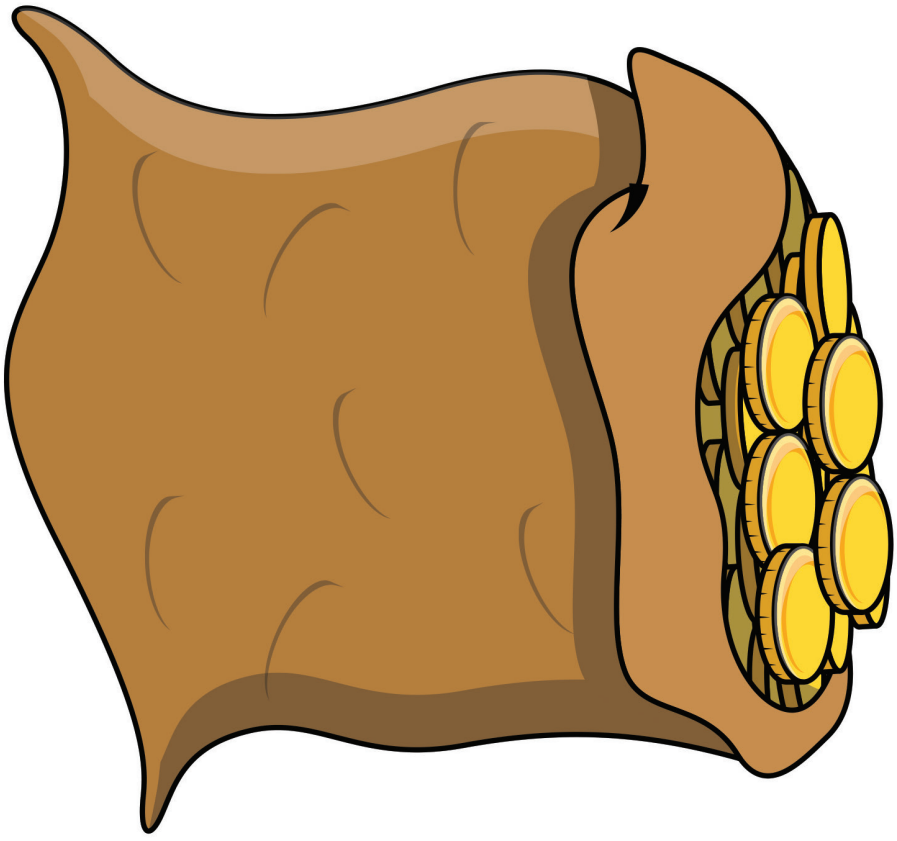
The Temple



A Bag of Money



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