



GOSPEL SPOTLIGHT

"God Already Knows Everything!"

We've been asking a lot of questions today and playing guessing games. That reminds me of this symbol.

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Do you know what this is? (*Allow response.*) If you see a question mark when you are reading, it means someone is asking a question. But did you know there is someone who never has to ask questions and never has to guess?

God is the only one who never has to guess and never has to ask questions. Every time I wave a question mark in the air, I want you to jump up and shout "**God already knows everything!**"* then sit back down. Try to be the first person to do it each time. (*Practice several times with children.*)

God already knows everything!

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He is omniscient. Do you remember what omniscient means? (*Allow response.*) God knows every detail about every living thing on Earth. How much do you know about penguins? (*Allow response.*) God knows all that and more! What do you know about turtles? (*Allow response.*) God knows all that and more! **God already knows everything!**

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God knows every detail about everything because He made everything! He is all powerful! He also knows everything about you. He loves you with a never-ending, never-stopping love. (*Read Jeremiah 31:3b.*) You never have to guess whether God loves you! You also never have to guess whether God will always do the right thing. God always does what is good and right because He is holy. He always knows what is right and He always does it.

God knows everything. Even before the world began, God was there. God has always existed. He made the universe just by speaking. He also made the first people. But those first people disobeyed Him, didn't they?

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They tried to hide from God and acted like it wasn't their fault. Do you think God had to guess what happened? (*Allow response.*) **God already knows everything!** He knew exactly what they had done. He knew all about their sin.

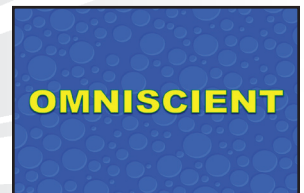
The concepts covered in this Gospel Spotlight are meant to help you review many of the concepts taught in the first five lessons.

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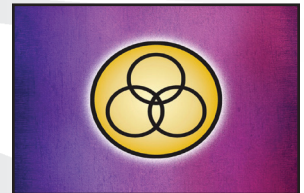


*Places in bold are suggested times to wave question mark and repeat "God already knows everything."

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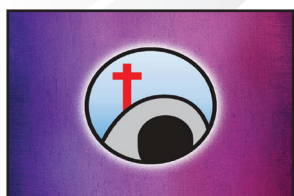
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God knows all about your sin too. When you sin—by doing things your way instead of God’s way, disobeying your parents and teachers or taking something that is not yours—God knows all about it. You might try to pretend you have not done anything wrong but God knows that you were born knowing how to sin against Him. You can’t hide anything from God. (*Read Psalm 69:5.*) **God already knows everything!** He doesn’t have to guess what you have done—He knows. But He still chooses to love you! He loves you so much that He wants to save you from your sin. God knows that sin brings sadness and punishment. Because of sin you are separated from God and deserve to be separated from God forever in a place of punishment and great sadness. God doesn’t want you to try to hide your sin from Him. He already knows all about it and He wants to save you!

God knew that the people He made had sinned against Him but He still loved them. He made a huge promise that someday He would send a Savior—someone who would save people from their sin. God didn’t have to guess who this Savior would be.

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God already knows everything! He knew exactly when, where and how the Savior would come and who He would be. In fact, hundreds and even thousands of years before the Savior came; God gave people some clues about Him. Do you know where to find these clues? (*Allow response.*) We have all those clues in the Bible, God’s true Word. We call these clues “prophecies.” God also gave clues about what the Savior would do. (*Read Isaiah 35:5.*) The Savior would cause blind people to see and deaf people to hear! The Savior would have the power to do this.

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He would be omnipotent (all powerful) because He is God! God even said exactly where the Savior would be born—in the little town of Bethlehem! (*Read Micah 5:2.*)

There were many other clues as well and everything happened exactly as God said! God never has to guess. **God already knows everything!** He knew everything about the Savior. In fact—the Savior was His own Son, Jesus!

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Jesus is God the Son. He came to Earth as a human baby. He is God and man at the same time. Because He is God, He never sinned. That is why He could save other people from their sin. Jesus was beaten and nailed to a cross, where He bled and died for your sin and mine. (*Read Hebrews 9:22b.*) Jesus died but on the third day He came alive again, proving that He is the Savior God promised to send! A large crowd watched Jesus go back to Heaven where He is still alive today. Everything happened exactly like God said it would. God never guesses and He never makes mistakes!



Does God know all about you? **God already knows everything!**

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God knows all about you—even the wrong things you think, say and do—but He still loves you very much. He doesn't want you to have to guess how to be saved from sin. He says, (*read Acts 16:31a*). God tells you exactly how to be saved from your sin! To believe means to trust completely that Jesus is the promised Savior who can save you from your sins.

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If you will believe, you will be saved, your sins will be forgiven and you will have a relationship with God here on Earth and someday will live with God in Heaven. Will you believe on Jesus, the Savior, today? Please bow your head and close your eyes. If you are ready today to believe on Jesus as your Savior, please show me by raising your hand. (*Acknowledge responses.*) If you raised your hand or you want to talk to me more about what it means to be saved, please meet me (*designate time and location*) and I will show you more from God's Word.

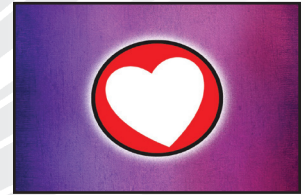
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Materials

"Question Mark—Clean Heart" card
(See GNC Resource Pack)

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Important Reminder

Remember, it is not the prayer that saves the child. Salvation is the work of the Holy Spirit convicting the child of his or her sinful condition and drawing him or her to trust completely in Christ and His work on the cross. The prayer is the child's expression of that belief to God. (See "Guiding a Child to the Savior" on the inside front cover.)

Preschool Invitation

When presenting the invitation to preschoolers, use John 3:15 and "believe in" terminology. Ask those who have questions about believing in Jesus to stay with you while the others move on to another activity.