5 Rules for Kid Connection

week 2

Slides and Videos are in **bold**.

Props: Be creative and utilize legos in your large group space.

-SLIDE- Welcome

Start kid's countdown once all classes are present

-SLIDE- Series Intro (2 min)

Hey kids! Welcome to kids church. I'm so glad you could be here today. We're gonna have fun, right? Let's get started.

Who was here last week? (allow kids to answer). Raise your hand and tell me something you remember from last week? (allow a few kids to answer). Great! You guys have great memory! So, what did God make us to do? (allow kids to answer). You got it, to connect! Does this mean we connect to a Lego? No, that's silly. Who do we connect with? (allow kids to answer). Right, people!

So, remind me, who here likes Legos? (Allow kids to raise hands). I love them! You can create all sorts of crazy things when you connect them together. You know who is kind of like Legos? We are! We are made to connect with each other and to Jesus.

We'll talk more about that in a little bit, but first, let's stand and sing our first song.

-SONG- You are God (3 min)

That was great! Good job. I think God loves to hear all your voices praising Him. Now, let's sit down and say our big idea and key question together!

-SLIDE- Big Idea: We need to stay connected to Jesus. (repeat with kids)

-SLIDE- Key Question: Why does connecting to Jesus help us to be a better friend?

That's a great question, let's listen to our video closely to see if we can figure out how we should connect with others.

-VIDEO-LEGO Video 2 (4 min)

-SLIDE- Recap (3 min)

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- True or False: There are no rules for connecting to others. (False)
- Where do we find the rules? (The Bible)
- What should we do if someone hurts our feelings? (forgive them)

You guys are great. Now, I don't know about you, but rules don't always seem fun. Did God give us these rules to be mean and ruin our fun? NO! He did it to help us because He made us to connect and He wants us to do it the right way. Okay, I need a volunteer! (choose one kid) Now, I want you to watch how I connect with (insert name). "Hey, I am so cool, I bet I am better than you!" Was that connecting? (allow kids to answer). NO! "Here, you want some candy? (hold out your fist) Too bad, it's mine and I want it!" Was that very nice? NO! (thank kid and have him sit back down). Now, I wasn't being very nice and I was not connecting with (insert name). That's not how God wants it. He wants us to connect with others by treating them the right way.

Okay, I need two more helpers to come and help me with our memory verse (choose two kids). Okay, stand on each side of me and follow what I do. Everyone ready? We're going to do it together!

-SLIDE- Memory Verse: "And because you (point at kids) belong to Jesus (point to sky), you are being built together (link arms with neighbor)." Ephesians 2:22 (Repeat)

We work great together, good job! Let's take a look at this verse. When God says we are "being built together", He's saying that we are becoming like a team, a team for Jesus! That's why He gave us our 5 rules, to help us connect with others and with Him. Jesus is the perfect friend and He wants us to treat others the way He would.

Let's stand and get ready to sing our last song. God wants us to understand that we were made to connect to others so that we can live it out! Let's sing.

-SONG- Live It Out (3 min)

Okay, we're ready to answer the Key Question.

- -SLIDE- Key question: Why does connecting to Jesus help us to be a better friend? (allow a few kids to answer).
- -SLIDE- The answer: Because Jesus is the perfect friend.

You will talk more about that in your small groups! But before we go, let's say the Big Idea one last time...

- -SLIDE- Big Idea: We need to stay connected to Jesus. (Have kids repeat)
- -SLIDE- Let's Pray (then dismiss)
- -SLIDE- Let's go to small groups