

Get Rich: No Need to Brag

Week 3

Props: Put up a large banner that says "Get Rich" in your large group space. Also, put up paper money with the words love, forgiveness and family taped across the bills.

-SLIDE- Welcome (Start kid's countdown once all classes are present)

Hey kids! Welcome to kid's church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

-SLIDE- Series Intro (2 min)

We're continuing our series called "Get Rich." Now, are we talking about getting rich with money and stuff? **(allow kids to answer)** Nope! It's all about being rich in God's love. First we learned what happens when we trust in Jesus. Does anyone remember? **(allow kids to answer)** Right, we're adopted into the BIGGEST, COOLEST family in the universe. Talk about being rich! Last week we talked about getting to know God more and more. Why should we get to know God more? **(allow kids to answer)** Because the more we know God, the more we realize how great he is! We can know God more when our parents pray for us, by reading the Bible and acting like Jesus.

Today, we're going to talk about how God saves us. We'll talk about HOW he saves us, WHEN we get saved, and WHAT NOT to do once we are saved.

We'll talk more about that in a few minutes, but first, let's stand and sing a song to God.

-SONG- No One Greater (3 min)

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

-SLIDE- Big Idea: We can't brag about God's grace. (repeat)

-VIDEO- Rich 3 (4 min)

-SLIDE- Recap (3 min)

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

- How does God save us? (By his grace)
- We are saved when we _____. (Believe)

- True or False: We should brag about God's grace because we earn it. (False)

Great job! You see, God's grace is actually a gift he's given to us. We didn't earn it and he didn't have to give it to us. He chose to forgive our sins because he's a super duper loving God. And his grace is the best gift we could ever receive. God's grace is better than a puppy or the newest video game.

But the gift is only part of the story. God offers us a gift but we have to accept it. This is where putting our faith or trust in Jesus comes into play. We receive the gift when we ask Jesus to forgive our sins and invite him to live in our hearts. This is the moment that we are saved. We are saved when we believe. Notice, we aren't saved by any of our efforts but only by believing in Jesus.

That reminds me of our memory verse, let's all stand and read it together.

-SLIDE- Memory Verse: "Salvation is not **(arms in X)** a reward for the good things **(thumbs up)** we have done **(point thumbs at self)**, so none **(fling arms out)** of us can boast **(hands cup mouth)** about it." Ephesians 2:9 **(Repeat)**

You guys are awesome. Listen to what this verse is saying. Salvation means being saved from our sins. We aren't saved because we've done enough good things to cover over the bad things. We're saved only by God's gift of grace. God offers us the gift of grace, we accept it by trusting in Jesus. AND, we can't brag about it because he did it all. If you haven't accepted Jesus into your life yet, do it today. Talk to your teacher or parent and accept the gift of grace.

Now let's stand together and sing one last song to God!

-SONG- I Will Follow (3 min)

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

-SLIDE- Big Idea: We can't brag about God's grace. (Repeat)

-SLIDE- Operation Christmas Child

I hope you've brought back your Christmas box. They are due today. If you forgot to bring it, have your parents talk to someone at the KC desk to find out what to do.

Thanks for participating in this! Many kids will be blessed by your generosity.

-SLIDE- Let's Pray (then dismiss)