Get Rich: How to Know God Better

Week 2

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! We're actually talking about another way we can be rich that isn't about money. It's all about being rich in God's love. Last week we learned what happens when we trust in Jesus. Does anyone remember? (allow kids to answer) Right, we're adopted into God's family! We get to be a part of the BIGGEST, COOLEST family in the universe. Talk about being rich!

Today, we're going to talk about how important it is to keep getting to know God more and more. It's hard for us to really understand how rich we are in God's love if we don't understand how awesome HE is.

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 get to know God more. (repeat)

-VIDEO- Rich 2 (4 min)

-SLIDE- Recap (3 min)

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

- We can know God better when our _____ pray for us. (Parents)
- We can know God better when we read the ____. (Bible)
- True or False: As we get to know Jesus, we will act more like him. (T)

Paul wrote the book of Ephesians which is a letter he wrote to a church in Ephesus. He cared about that church almost as much as your parents care about you. He was like their Dad. He had a responsibility to teach them all about God and what it means to belong to his family. Paul prayed that the people would want to know God more and that they would make him the most important person in their lives. It's like when your parents tell you to eat your veggies, even the gross ones like broccoli! They tell you to eat them because they know how good they are for you. Well, Paul knew that getting to know God was the best thing for the people in Ephesus.

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

-SLIDE- Memory Verse: "I keep asking (hands cup mouth) that God gives you (hands offering) the Spirit of wisdom (touch head) and revelation (shadow eyes), so that you (point out) may know him better (thumbs up)." Ephesians 1:17 NIV (Repeat)

Great job! I know there are some fancy words in this verse. Wisdom means understanding what's right and wrong. Revelation means you see things like Jesus does. Do you know what book helps us to get wisdom and revelation? (allow kids to answer) You got it, the Bible! When we read the Bible, we learn more about God and what he says is right and wrong. The Bible also helps us to see things the way Jesus does. So, if you want to know how rich you are in God's love, get to know God more and you'll see just how great and awesome he is!

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

-SONG- He Is the Light (3 min)

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

-SLIDE- Big Idea: We can get to know God more. (Repeat)

-SLIDE- Operation Christmas Child

This is your last week to grab an info sheet to make a Christmas box for a boy or girl from around the world. Boxes are due back next week so we can ship them out in time for Christmas!

-SLIDE- Let's Pray (then dismiss)