

Get Rich: Good Roots

Week 5

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 about getting rich in God's love. Let's do a quick review of what we've learned so far. What happens when we trust in Jesus? **(allow kids to answer)** Right, we're adopted into the BIGGEST, COOLEST family in the universe. How can we get to know God more to know just how rich we are in him? **(allow kids to answer)** Perfect, when our parents pray for us, reading the Bible and acting like Jesus. Why can't we brag about God's grace? **(allow kids to answer)** You got it, because it's a gift from God! God's love and forgiveness is not something we've earned. Last week we learned about God's peace. What does peace mean? **(allow kids to answer)** Right, peace means we make friends, not enemies.

Today, we're going to talk about having good roots. Does anyone know what roots do for trees? **(allow kids to answer)** Right! They allow trees to grow big and strong. The biggest and strongest trees have the deepest and widest roots. We need to have good roots, too.

We'll talk more about this 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 need a good root system to grow big and strong. (repeat)

-VIDEO- Rich 5 (4 min)

-SLIDE- Recap (3 min)

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

- What do we need so we can grow big and strong? (Good root system)
- The first root we should have is _____. (Faith)
- True or False: Our families help us to grow. (True)

Great job! You see, having the right roots in place helps us to grow as Christians. The root of faith helps our love for God to grow so we'll want to obey him with our whole hearts. Our families help us by taking care of us and teaching us right and wrong. And, we need good friends to cheer us up when we're sad and encourage us to live for God.

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

-SLIDE- Memory Verse: "Christ (**point up**) will make his home (**arms like house**) in your hearts (**right hand on heart**) as you trust in him (**left hand on heart**). Your roots (**plant feet**) will grow down (**wiggle down**) into God's love (**hug self**) and keep you strong (**flex arms**)." Ephesians 3:17 (**Repeat**)

Isn't that amazing! Did you know that God lives in you if you're a Christian? His Spirit lives in your heart and helps you to grow more and more to be like Jesus. When we have good roots, we are rich in God's love and can be strong.

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

-SONG- Unshakable (3 min)

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

-SLIDE- Big Idea: We need a good root system to grow big and strong. (Repeat)

-SLIDE- Feed My Starving Children M&M campaign

Over the next few weeks, we will be doing our Feed My Starving Children fundraiser where we raise money to feed starving kids around the world. Here's what you do. Pick up an M&M container from the KC desk, eat the candy, fill it with quarters and bring it back to church next week. A tube full of quarters is enough to give 63 kids a meal!

-SLIDE- Let's Pray (then dismiss)