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LIFE OF JESUS

Peter Denies Jesus

PursueGODkids.org**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

We are going to get started by answering some questions. Have you ever made a mistake? (allow kids to answer.) What were those mistakes? (allow kids to answer). Those are all really good answers. We all make mistakes sometimes, whether they are big or small. And sometimes we can feel really bad about those mistakes.

In today's lesson we are going to learn about Peter and a really big mistake he made. His mistake made him feel so bad, he thought no one would ever forgive him!

We'll talk about that some more in a few minutes. But first, let's stand and sing a song together.

Song*Jesus Freak*

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea*All together:*

Even when we really mess up, Jesus gives us a second chance. (Repeat)

Video*Play lesson video.***Slide: Recap**

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

- How many times did Peter deny Jesus? (three)
- What did Jesus do for Peter after he was resurrected? (he forgave him)

- True or False: Jesus will always give us a second chance. (T)

We are all going to make mistakes. In fact, we make mistakes every day! Another word for those mistakes is sin. Sin is whenever we do things our way instead of God's way. So, when we mess up, we might think that Jesus will get really angry at us and stop loving us. Do you think that's true? (allow kids to respond). No way! This is what makes Jesus so amazing. He loves us so much that when we mess up, he forgives us. He doesn't ignore us or stop loving us. He gives us second chances! He gives us other opportunities to make the right decision and to learn from our mistakes.

This is what happened with Peter. Peter knew he really messed up. He denied knowing Jesus, his best friend, just because he was scared! That's pretty bad. But, Jesus forgave Peter and he gave him a second chance. Peter went on to be one of the biggest leaders in the early church and he told a lot of people about Jesus.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"It is by his great mercy (point up) that we have been born again (pretend to be holding a baby), because God (point up) raised Jesus Christ from the dead. (lift hands up)" 1 Peter 1:3
(Repeat)

This is Peter talking in this verse. He understood that Jesus had been merciful towards him because Jesus chose to forgive him and not hold his mistake over his head. Peter also understood that Jesus offers this same forgiveness to anyone who asks for it. That's why he went on to teach lots of people about Jesus. He even wrote some of the books in the Bible!

So, kids, let's learn from Peter. Peter's story shows us that when we mess up, Jesus will forgive us AND he'll give us a second chance!

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

Song

Happy Day

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

Slide: Big Idea

Even when we really mess up, Jesus gives a second chance. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and dismiss.