# <sup>e1</sup> BIBLE STORYLINE The Tower of Babel

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## 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**

Before we get started, let's take a few minutes to talk about fame. Who knows what fame means? (allow kids to answer). Right, fame is being popular or being known as being the best at something. Famous people are often really rich and live in big houses and drive cool cars. Let's make a quick list of some famous people. (allow kids to respond). How does fame cause trouble for people? (allow kids to answer). Right, famous people get a lot of attention and they have a lot of money so they can fool themselves into thinking they're better than everyone, even God.

In our lesson today, we're going to learn about a story in the Bible of some people who wanted to be famous. They wanted to build a tall tower to show how awesome they were. But, God taught the people a lesson about fame.

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

#### Song

Put Your Hands Up

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:

We shouldn't do great things to be famous, we should do them to make God famous. (Repeat)

#### Video

Play lesson video.

#### **Slide: Recap**

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

- Why did the people want to build a tower? (to be famous)
- What did God do? (Confused them with different languages)
- True or False: We should try to be more famous than God. (F)

No way! This is where the people went wrong. They wanted to make themselves famous by building this tower that looked like it could reach the sky. They wanted to look smart and powerful and make everyone else feel dumb and weak. But, that kind of attitude doesn't honor God and so God decided to teach the people a lesson. See, God can do whatever he wants. He is the only one who actually could build a tower all the way to the sky. So, he reminded the people of his power by making them all speak different languages. Can you imagine what it was like when the people went back to work? All of a sudden, everyone is just babbling but no-one could understand what the other was saying. So, the people couldn't work together to finish the tower. God sent a message that day because he didn't like their attitude. They thought they were better than God.

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

#### **Slide: Memory Verse**

"He (point up) must become greater (flex right arm) and greater, (flex left arm) and I (point to self) must become less (hold out and cup right hand) and less (hold out and cup left hand)." John 3:30 (*Repeat*)

This verse is talking about the attitude we should have. Instead of wanting to make ourselves famous, in everything we do, we should do it to make God famous. For example, when you score the winning goal in your soccer game, don't make it about you. Thank your teammate for the great pass and thank God for giving you the ability to play the game. The key is to remember that God gives us everything we have. He gives us our brains, our bodies, our talents and our abilities. It's not that God doesn't want us to be successful, he just wants us to remember who gave us the ability to be successful. He did! So, thank him and make sure to make his name famous, not yours.

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

#### Song

Unglued

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

# **Slide: Big Idea**

We shouldn't do great things to be famous, we should do them to make God famous (Repeat)

# **Slide: Let's Pray**