



LIFE OF JESUS

Jesus and Nicodemus

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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

We are going to be learning an important lesson today but first I have a question for you guys! Have you ever wondered what it takes to get to heaven? Maybe you have to do 300 push ups or say "hello" to 10 people every day. What do you think? (allow kids to answer). Those are some interesting ideas.

Well, in today's lesson a guy named Nicodemus had some of the same questions for Jesus. He wanted to know what it takes to be good enough for God and how to get to heaven. It's an important lesson for all of us to learn!

We'll learn the answer in a few minutes, but first, let's stand and sing a song together.

Song

Learning to Be the Light

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:

The only way to become a Christian is by believing in Jesus. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

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

- Who came and talked to Jesus about how to become Christian? (Nicodemus)
- How do you become a Christian? (by believing in Jesus)
- True or False: The only way to get to heaven is by believing in Jesus. (T)

You don't have to do a bunch of crazy things like a bunch of backflips or giving people high fives to get to heaven. You also don't have to live perfectly and never break any rules. All you have to do to get to heaven is put your trust in Jesus. This is really important to know so I think I should say it again. You can't get to heaven by working really hard and keeping track of all of the good things you do. The only way to heaven is through Jesus. When we place our trust in him, our sins are forgiven and we get to live in heaven some day. That's all there is to it. Does that sound too easy? You're right, it is, but that just shows how much God loves us. That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"For this is how God (point up) loved the world: (make hands into shape of heart) He gave his one and only Son (put up index finger for #1), so that everyone who believes in him (point up) will not perish but have eternal life. (hands over heart)" John 3:16 *(Repeat)*

This is what Jesus told Nicodemus when he asked Jesus what it takes to get to heaven. Maybe you've heard this verse before. It's really famous and you'll even see it on posters at football games! This verse tells us how to get to heaven. God loves us so much that he sent his own son to die for us. Think about it. Would you be willing to die for people you don't even know? Probably not. Well, good news! Jesus was willing and he's the only one who can save us from our sins because he's God! All we have to do is believe in him.

So kids, remember what it takes to get to heaven. It doesn't take doing lots of good stuff or being able to do 50 backflips. All it takes is trusting in Jesus. It's that simple. If you haven't put your trust in Jesus yet, you should think about doing that. Talk to a parent or teacher about it today and they'll help you to understand what it means to place your trust in Jesus.

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

Song

No One Greater

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

Slide: Big Idea

The only way to become a Christian is by believing in Jesus. *(Repeat)*

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.