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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 into our lesson I have a question for you guys! Have you ever met someone you just couldn't get along with? (allow kids to answer). Why was it hard to be their friend? (allow kids to answer). Those are some tough things. It's hard to be friends with people that make us feel stupid or who leave us out at recess.

Well in this lesson we're going to learn about Jesus and some people that he didn't get along with very well. Did you know that Jesus had a hard time with friends, too? He did and we'll learn more about why in a few minutes.

We'll learn more about that in a few minutes, but first let's stand and sing a song!

Song

Another Day

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:

Jesus cares more about our hearts than our smarts. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

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

- What was a pharisee? (a religious person who thought they were better than others.)
- Who didn't get along with the pharisees? (Jesus)
- True or False: Jesus cares about whats on the inside, not the outside. (T)

The pharisees were the religious leaders in Jesus' day. They studied the law and they thought they were really smart. They were a bunch of know it alls. And they walked around making other people feel stupid for not knowing as much as they did.

Well, Jesus didn't like this at all! He knew the point of God's law wasn't to act like a mean smarty pants! The law explained how we should love God and love people. So, Jesus would stand up to the pharisees every chance he could. See, Jesus knew more than the pharisees because he's God. But, Jesus didn't walk around making other people feel stupid because they weren't as smart or powerful as he was. No, Jesus came to love us and to serve us. And, that's how he wants us to treat others.

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

Slide: Memory Verse

"The greatest (flex muscles) among you (point out) must be a servant (bow)." Matthew 23:11 (Repeat)

Jesus wants us to honor God with our lives. In order to to do that, we need to put our trust in Jesus and invite him to live in our hearts. Then, he will help us to love others better. Jesus wants us to be kind, patient and to be a servant to others. That's how Jesus loves us. He came into this world to give up his life for ours so we could be saved from sin.

So, think of some ways you can serve your parents, your teachers and your friends. Be like Jesus. Don't be like the pharisees. Now let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Learning to be the Light

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

Slide: Big Idea

Jesus cares more about our hearts than our smarts. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.