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BIBLE STORYLINE

Peter's Crazy Vision

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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 start off this lesson with some fun questions! Have you ever had a scary dream? (allow a few kids to share.) Scary dreams are never fun. How about a crazy dream? (allow a few kids to share). Wow! Those are some really crazy dreams. What about a confusing dream, have you ever had one of those? (allow a few kids to share.) Sometimes dreams don't make much sense at all.

Well, in today's lesson we are going to learn about a crazy and confusing vision that the apostle Peter had! A vision is kind of a like a dream, except it's from God and when it happens you usually aren't asleep.

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

Song

He Is 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:

God can make everyone clean. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

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

- What was on the big white sheet in Peter's vision? (animals)

- What was the vision actually about? (people, the Gentiles)
- True or False: God only makes important people clean. (F)

That's right, God can make everyone clean! That doesn't mean God is going to make all of us take a bath. It means that he is going to make us clean from our sin! Sin makes us dirty and separates us from God. That's why he sent his son, Jesus, to die on the cross for us. When Jesus died on the cross, he made it so that everyone can become clean. You don't have to be a special person! God loves everyone and wants all of us to be clean.

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

Slide: Memory Verse

"Do not (shake finger "no") call something unclean (thumbs down) if God (point up) has made it clean. (thumbs up)" Acts 10:15 *(Repeat)*

This is God speaking in this verse. He wanted to make sure that Peter understood something very important. Perhaps that's why he came to Peter in a vision with a big sheet and animals. It seemed like a crazy dream but it was packed full of an important message. And, it worked, because Peter was ready to listen. God used the animals as the example for the bigger issue. See, in the Jewish tradition, they weren't allowed to eat certain animals because they were considered unclean and unimportant. And, the Jewish people had this same attitude toward the Gentile people or people who weren't Jewish. They thought they were unimportant people. But, God told Peter not to call something "unclean" that he has called "clean". Jesus came to die for everyone, no matter who they are.

So, kids, let's learn from Peter and his crazy vision. Don't think less of people who look or act differently than you. God loves them just as much as he loves you. Jesus came to die for everyone!

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

Song

We Are Your People

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

Slide: Big Idea

God can make everyone clean. *(Repeat)*

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and dismiss.