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BIBLE STORYLINE

# The Church Is Born

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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 with our lesson I have some question for you guys. How many of you have held a baby sibling or baby cousin? (allow kids to answer). What was it like? (allow kids to answer). How many of you have seen a picture of yourself as a baby? (allow kids to answer). I bet you were all really cute as babies! Now, you are probably wondering why we are talking about babies. That's a silly thing to talk about in kids' church!

Well, it's because today we are going to look at a story that teaches us how the Christian church was born. This story comes from the book of Acts. The book of Acts is in the New Testament and it teaches us all about what the Christian church was like right at the very beginning.

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

## Song

*Happy 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:*

*Everyone who believes in Jesus is a part of his Church. (Repeat)*

## Video

*Play lesson video.*

## Slide: Recap

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

- Who did Jesus send to tell the world about him? (his disciples)

- What was Peter's job before he was a disciple? (fisherman)
- True or False: Everyone can be a part of the Church if they believe in Jesus. (T)

After Jesus died on the cross and rose again, he told his disciples that they needed to go out and tell everyone about him. Jesus wanted everyone to know about him and how he died on the cross for their sins! He wanted people to know about this because he wanted them to believe in him, too. And, that's what the disciples did. One day, Peter stood up in front of a large crowd and told the people about Jesus and all he had done. And, some people in the crowd decided to follow Jesus that day! That's how the first church started. The disciples shared about Jesus, people put their trust in him, and they would gather together every week to worship God and learn more about him.

Now, here's the really cool thing. When we believe in Jesus, we get to be a part of his Church, too. Even though we weren't around for the very first church, we can all still be a part of it as a follower of Jesus. God's Church isn't about a building. God's Church is about every person who believes in him.

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

### Slide: Memory Verse

"All the believers (arms open wide) were united in heart (hands over heart) and mind (point to head)." Acts 4:32 *(Repeat)*

This verse is talking about the very first church and what happened after Peter shared about Jesus. All the people were joined, like one big family, focused on Jesus. And guess what? This should be true of us today. No matter what church we attend, or what country we live in, we are all a part of God's Church if we believe in Jesus. And, Jesus wants us to go out and tell our friends about him, too. So, think about the people you know that aren't Christians. You should tell them about Jesus so they can be a part of his Church!

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

### Song

*Jesus Freak*

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

### Slide: Big Idea

Everyone who believes in Jesus is a part of his Church. *(Repeat)*

### Slide: Let's Pray

*Pray and dismiss.*