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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

Leader tip: Invite a 5th and 2nd grader up to the front. Tell the 2nd grader to tell the 5th grader to do something like "Go and get me a snack from the classroom." Ask the 5th grader how that felt for a younger kid to demand something from them. Then, have a teacher ask the 5th grader to do something like "Please go and put your nose against the wall." Then ask the 5th grader how it felt for an adult to ask them to do something.

Before we get into our lesson, I have some questions for you guys. Has your younger sibling ever demanded that you do something? (allow kids to answer). Did you listen to them or just ignore them? (allow kids to answer). You probably ignored them, huh!? Your younger siblings aren't in charge so you probably didn't listen to them at all. (refer to the above tip example if you use it) Now, when your parents tell you to do something, what do you typically do? (allow kids to answer). Right, you listen and obey because they are in charge of you!

Well in this lesson we're going to learn about a time when God showed the disciples who they should listen to most of all. And he did it in a pretty crazy way!

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

Song

Unshakeable

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:

When we understand who Jesus is, we will listen to him. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

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

- Who did Jesus lead up the mountain? (Peter, James, and John)
- Who also appeared on the mountain? (Moses and Elijah)
- True or False: We don't need to listen to Jesus. (F)

Of course we need to listen to Jesus! Jesus is the most important person ever! Do any of you know why he's the most important? (allow kids to answer). Right, the reason Jesus is the most important is because he's God. He is smarter, more powerful than anyone, and he is perfect which means he's never made a mistake! That's why he could die for our sins. Because of Jesus, our relationship with God is fixed and we get to live with him in heaven some day. Now, that's a person worth listening to, right?

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

Slide: Memory Verse

"This is my dearly loved Son (hands over heart), who brings me great joy (thumbs up). Listen to him (cup ear)." Matthew 17:5b (Repeat)

This verse comes from our story today. When Jesus, Peter, James and John were up on the mountain, a few crazy things happened to prove Jesus' authority. First, Jesus became shiny and bright like the sun. That's called the Transfiguration. That happened to show the disciples just how special and awesome Jesus was. But, that's not all. God spoke to the disciples telling them that Jesus is special and they need to listen to him. God wanted the disciples to know that Jesus is the one they should trust and follow no matter what.

And it's the same lesson for us today. We can trust Jesus and we should listen to him, too. And do you know how he speaks to us today? Through prayer and reading our Bibles! Kids, remember, Jesus isn't like our little sibling who we don't need to obey. Jesus is God and we should listen to him always!

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

Song

You Are God

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

Slide: Big Idea

When we understand who Jesus is, we will listen to him. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray Pray and release the kids to small group.