



BIBLE STORYLINE
King Saul

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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: Dress up like King Saul as you present. Wear a crown and robe and introduce yourself as King Saul. Tell them about yourself- you're tall and handsome and you have lots of power as king. But, there is one thing about you that will get you in trouble with God. We'll talk about that in the lesson today.

Before we jump into our lesson this week, I have some questions for you! Do any of you remember our lesson from last week? (allow kids to answer) Good! Do you remember what the Israelites demanded from God? (allow kids to answer). Right! They wanted God to give them a king so they could be like other nations.

Well, in today's lesson we are going to learn about what happened when God finally gave them a king. His name was Saul.

But, before we get into that, let's stand and sing.

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: We need to obey God all the way! (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

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

- Who did God pick to be Israel's first king? (Saul)

- What happened to Saul when he didn't fully obey? (God rejected him as king)
- True or False: We only have to obey some of what God says. (F)

That's definitely not true! We need to obey ALL of what God says. When we only obey certain parts of what God tells us, we are just setting ourselves up for trouble! God knows what he's talking about, so when he tells us what to do and what not to do, we need to listen.

Remember, God doesn't give us rules because he's mean or bossy. He gives us rules to keep us safe and to help us to honor him. And, when we disobey him, we are basically telling him that we don't care about what he has to say because we want to do things our own way.

Obedience is a great way to show God how much we love him!

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

Slide: Memory Verse

"Listen (cup hand to ear)! Obedience is better (thumbs up) than sacrifice (thumbs down)..." 1 Samuel 15:22 (Repeat)

This verse comes from the story of King Saul. God sent Saul out to defeat an enemy but he told Saul to make sure his soldiers didn't take anything that belonged to that nation. Well, Saul didn't fully obey God. They ended up taking the best of the animals from that nation. And, when God confronted Saul with his disobedience, Saul tried to make excuses. God doesn't like excuses and he doesn't like disobedience. So, from that point on, God rejected Saul as king.

Kids, sometimes we can act the same way. When we do something wrong, we try to make it seem like it really wasn't that bad, but God knows our hearts. When we disobey, we should own up to it and apologize to God! And when we do that, God will forgive us! Here's the point. God wants us to obey all the way because it's for our good and for our protection.

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

Song

Unglued

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

Slide: Big Idea

We need to obey God all the way! (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.