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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: Come into group dressed like King Solomon (crown and a robe). Introduce yourself as Solomon and tell the group that you have an exciting opportunity to build a special house for someone! Act excited and honored to do it. Ask the kids what they think you should include in the house to make it extra cool.

Before we jump into our lesson this week, I have a question for you. If you got to build your own house, what would it look like? (allow kids to answer). Those are some great ideas! (If you used the leader tip, review some of the things you are going to include in your special building.)

Well in today's lesson, we are going to learn about a special opportunity Solomon had to build a special place for someone special!

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

Song

Song #1

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 don't need temples because God lives in our hearts. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

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

Who got to build the temple? (Solomon)

- What was the name of the special room where God's presence was found? (Most holy of holies)
- True or False: We have to go to a building to find God. (F)

Not anymore! Back in the Old Testament, people had to go to the temple to worship God but Jesus changed all of that. Jesus came to die for our sins to fix our broken relationship with God. Instead of being separated from God, we can be in a relationship with him! When we put our trust in Jesus, he lives in our hearts! We become like the temple where God's presence can be found!

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

Slide: Memory Verse

"For God's (point up) temple is holy (hands together in prayer), and you (point out) are that temple." 1 Corinthians 3:17 (Repeat)

Solomon spent years building a special temple for God. It took a long time. He wanted it to be special because God's presence was going to be there. But, look at what our memory verse says. God's temple is holy, meaning set apart and special AND we are that temple! Whoa! Kids, God wants to dwell in our hearts, not in a temple. Isn't that cool?

So, if you haven't put your trust in Jesus yet, do it today! If you have put your trust in Jesus, remember that God is with you all the time so be sure to honor him in how you speak and act! Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Song #2

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

Slide: Big Idea

We don't need temples because God lives in our hearts. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.