



3PK

May 23-24, 2015

DATE

Re-Creation

LESSON TITLE

Revelation 21

WHERE TO FIND IT

One day. God will create a perfect home.

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:

Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

Finish early? Repeat the activity! Kids this age learn through repetition. Or, check out the end of the activities section to find an idea for this week.

tips

Give kids a big smile and positive words when you first see them, and when you say good-bye. Your face communicates more than anything when kids are this age.

check-in/out

As kids leave, remind them to use their story bags to tell their families about the amazing Kingdom God will re-create one day!

large group heads up

Jesus gives us a snapshot of what it will be like when he re-creates the earth. He gives it to us so that we can get excited about the new home his family will live in one day.



connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive game to prepare them for Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 5-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Line Up
- While in line, tell kids we're going to celebrate today!
 - Celebrate by wiggling
 - Celebrate by hopping on one foot
 - Celebrate by twirling around
 - Celebrate by high-fiving a neighbor
 - Celebrate by screaming "I LOVE YOU JESUS"
 - (Then take it down a notch): Celebrate by whispering "I love you Jesus!"
 - Celebrate by putting on your listening ears
 - Celebrate by tiptoeing silently into large group

If the music hasn't started yet, remind kids that when their listening ears are on, their mouths should be closed tight. Then practice that together!



instructions

Goal: Kids will (1) understand that Jesus promises us a great new home!

Why? While Re-Creation is a tough concept to understand, it is the epitome of God's love. Getting excited about it now will hopefully help kids appreciate God's love as they get older.

Tip: If kids ask questions, be honest about the fact that we really don't know what Re-Creation will be like. Assure them that we *do* know it will be wonderful.

small group

REVIEW THE STORY

1. What was the picture God showed John? (a picture of the new, perfect world)
2. Who gets to live in the perfect world? (God's whole family!)
3. Let's see if you guys can remember what's special about the new world.
 - a. Hold up the **crown**. (Jesus will be the perfect king.)
 - b. Hold up the **picture of pretend food**. (We will have plenty to eat.)
 - c. Hold up the **big tube of glitter**. (The city will be beautiful—and sparkle like glitter.)
 - d. Hold up the **sunglasses**. (It will be like a beautiful day, but we'll never get sunburns.)
 - e. Hold up the **tissue**. (God will wipe away our tears.)
 - f. Put on the **party hat** and cheer. (We will be joyful!)

RELATE to the new world:

*How does it make you feel to think about the new world? (Excited, happy, joyful, like God really loves his family, etc.)

RETELL THE STORY

Give each kid a story bag. As you hand out objects, review and have kids can place them in the bag:

- a. The crown reminds us that Jesus will be the perfect king. (**crown**)
- b. We will have plenty of food to eat. (**food picture**)
- c. The city will be beautiful—and sparkle like glitter and jewels. (**jewel ring**)
- d. Every day will look like a beautiful sunny day. (**sunglasses eraser**)
- e. Hold up the **tissue** (God will wipe away our tears).
- f. Cheer together! (We will be joyful!)

***Pray together, and thank God for the amazing world he promised his family!**

Then give kids a re-creation coloring page. Still have extra time? Don't just play, keep kids engaged. Retell the story again...and then again! At this age, repetition helps kids learn. It may feel repetitive to you, but they love to do things over and over—and over—again!

special notes

We don't know exactly what the new home Jesus creates will be like—and it's okay to tell the kids that. Just make sure they know it will be really, *really* exciting.

presenter tips

To prepare for the animated Whole Wide World video, watch it ahead of time here: <http://vimeo.com/75339448>.

**But you can learn some hand motions to lead your group by watching this version:* <http://vimeo.com/13033365>

script

Presenter: Hi Friends! Welcome to Kid's Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend, HOPS. She's going to remind us of the kind of choices we can make today in Kids' Club.

Video: HOPS 1 Have Fun! (about 1 minute)

Wow, let me see those listening ears again (let kids respond). Great! Now raise your hand if you're ready to have some fun in Kids' Club today! (Let kids respond.) Me too! Alright, let's start by remembering the beginning of a *very* special story....

REVIEW

Presenter: (Hold up the **Bible** for kids to see.) This is *God's* story. Out of all the stories in the world, this story is the most important. It's God's Rescue plan.

Remember how God made the whole world and everything was good? God made an amazing home for us because he loves us SO much! Let me see a BIG smile (let kids smile).

But *then*.... something bad happened. A snake tricked the first two people, Adam and Eve, into thinking God didn't really love them. They disobeyed God, and sadness and death came into the world! Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.) But God loved Adam and Eve—and us—WAY too much to leave us alone in a world full of wrong things. So God sent his son Jesus to rescue us! This is great news, so let's see your happy face again! (Let kids respond.)

Jesus came to earth and rescued us, then came back to life and went back to Heaven! But God sent the Holy Spirit so that we can always be close to Jesus and have help following Him.

INTRO: THE BEST NEWS

(Lean in. Whisper to engage the kids.) Well today, I have a really, REALLY exciting story for



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you guys. Give me a thumbs up if you want to hear it! (Let kids give a thumbs up.)

Alright! Well, there was a guy in the Bible named John. Can you guys say “John”? (Let kids say it.) God showed John a special picture. But it was a picture he wanted his WHOLE family to see. So John wrote down everything God showed him. And today, we are going to hear what John’s picture was! Who’s excited to see this picture from God!? (Let kids respond and raise your own hand.)

We’re going to watch a video about the picture God showed John. As you watch, see if you can figure out what the picture is!

Video: God’s Story / Re-Creation

Wow, God showed John a picture of the new, perfect home he would create for his WHOLE family! It’s going to be amazing!

(Show picture of crown.) In our new home, we’ll have a perfect king—Jesus! Everything will be peaceful and everybody will have a nice place to live. We’ll all have lots of delicious foods to eat too. What are your favorite foods? (let kids respond) You’ll get to eat as much as you want in the new world!

(Show picture of glitter.) You know what else is cool? It’ll be pretty and shiny. Everything in the new city will be made of gold and jewels and sparkle like glitter. **(Put on the sunglasses.)** It’ll be bright like a gorgeous summer day, but no need for sunscreen! And we’ll never be sad because Jesus will wipe away all of our tears **(take a tissue** from the box and wipe your cheeks—then you can remove the sunglasses and set aside the tissue).

(Put on the party hat.) We’ll be so joyful and happy! It’s going to be such an amazing place, better than the best party ever! We’ll never cry or get sick or get ouchies. In fact, we’ll always want to cheer! Let’s stand up and do some cheering to practice how excited we’ll feel in that new perfect world. (Motion the kids to stand and cheer together. Have some more fun—do a silly cheer, upside down cheer, etc.)

Great job! Now let’s pray together and thank Jesus that he’s going to make a perfect world! (Pray, breaking it into small, repeatable phrases.)

Pray: Hi God! Thanks for sending Jesus to rescue us! Thank you that he’s coming back! Thank you that our new home will be perfect! Aaaaaaa-MEN.

Song: Trust in the Lord

Music Video: Whole Wide World (not a hand motion video)

Extra Song: King of the Jungle

Dismiss kids to small groups. (Be creative as you dismiss them. Ask them to come give you a high five first, or maybe tiptoe or hop--like Hops--to their groups.)



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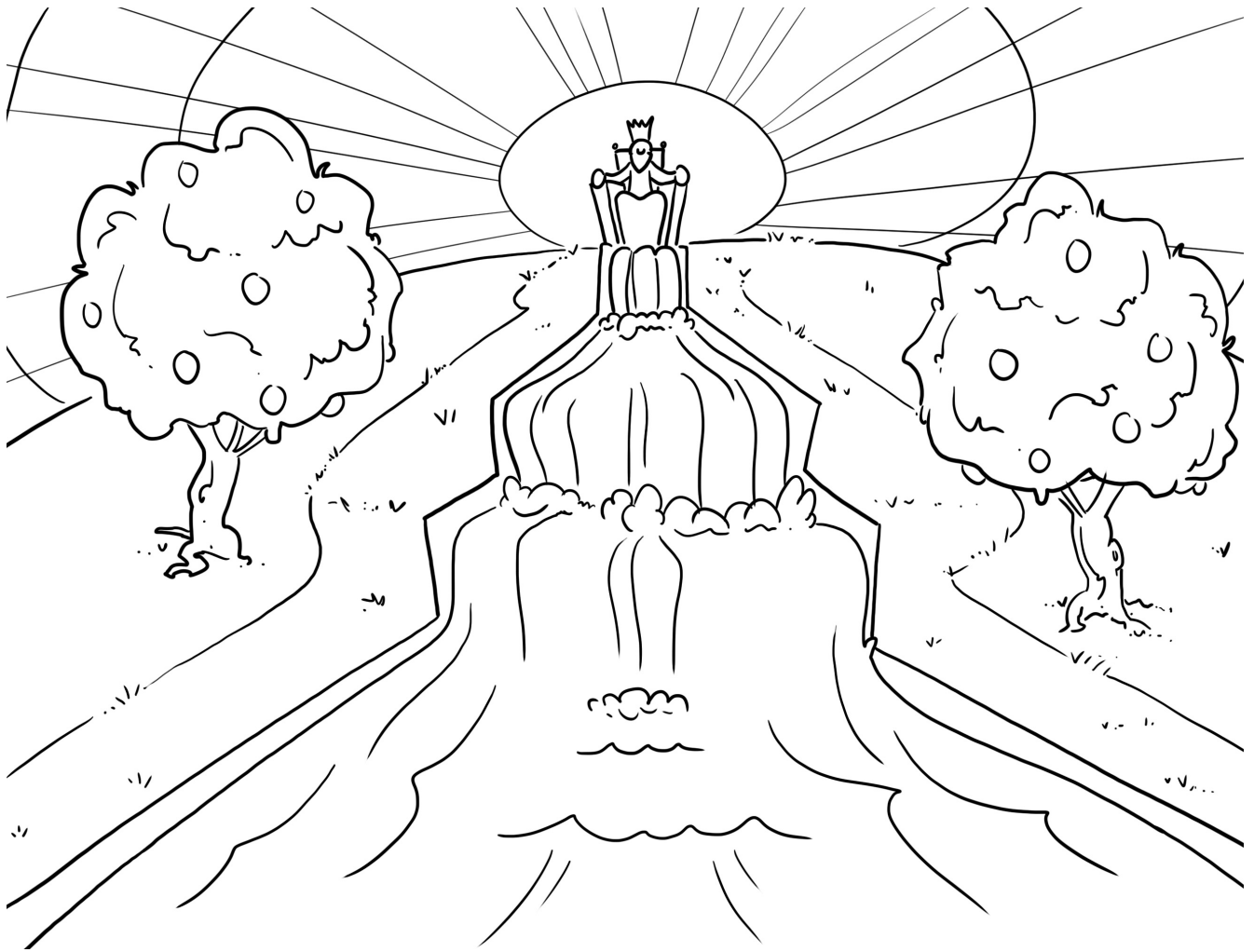
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PREP needs



connect time supplies

Celebrate game – no supplies needed

small group supplies

Per kid

1 per kid: brown paper bag with sticker (please print sticker template on Avery 5264 labels)

Crown: IN-48/8331

Picture of food (from template)

Jewel ring: IN-24/2416

Sunglasses eraser: IN-13684636

Kleenex

Per room

Coloring pages: Re-creation

Crown

Picture of Pretend food (any kind)

Tube of glitter (any color)

Sunglasses

Box of tissues

Party hat

large group supplies

Jesus Storybook Bible

Party hat

Sunglasses

tissues

a/v needs

1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Video: HOPS 1 Have Fun (classic version): <https://vimeo.com/25767958>
3. Video: God's Story / Recreation (<https://vimeo.com/49020582>)
4. Image: crown
5. Image: glitter
6. Song: Trust in the Lord
7. Music Video: Whole Wide World (animated version: <https://vimeo.com/75339448>)
8. Song: King of the Jungle

connect questions

Tell me about the picture God showed John.

What's your favorite part of today's story?

parent page

Today we talked about what it will be like when God re-creates the world for his family and makes all the wrong things right. It's a tough concept because we can only *imagine* what it will be like. But God gave us enough clues to make us really, *really* excited. Ask your kid to tell you about it. You can also review the story together by reading Revelation 21 in the Bible or watching a video about it at CrossroadsKidsClub.net.