

May 21-22, 2016

DATE

Revelation 21

WHERE TO FIND IT

## 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

#### **Re-creation**

LESSON TITLE

Jesus will re-create a perfect home.

MAIN POINT

## tips

In small group today, kids will be using playdough. Keep it confined to one table/area and have a volunteer stationed in that area while kids are playing with playdough. Kids should only use playdough while seated at a table.

## check-in/out

As kids leave today, remind them to tell their parents about their favorite part of the new world!

## large group heads up

We're talking about the perfect world God will one day re-create for his whole family. We'll be close to him forever, and will never experience the pain and sadness of sin again!



## 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.
- Tell kids that today we're talking about a perfect world that God will create. We're going to act like our favorite animals that we would like to see in a perfect world!
- Ask the first kid in line what his/her favorite animal is; then have everyone act like that animal.
- Give each kid a turn to share his/her favorite animal; then have everyone act it out together!

As you walk into Large Group, encourage kids to put on their listening ears! Remind them that HOPS will be showing us how we should act in Large Group, so we have to listen!



## instructions

**Goal**: Kids will (1) understand that Jesus will create a perfect world where we all can be close to him and (2) remember a specific part of that perfect world that they can share at home.

**Why?** God gave us a picture of this world in order to give us hope for the future: that's worth sharing!

**Tip:** If you can, sit down with the kids and re-create *with* them. They'll like to see what you make—and you can be right at their level to easily ask what they're making.

## 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 image (Jesus will be the perfect king.)
  - b. Hold up the *food image* (We will have plenty to eat.)
  - c. Hold up the *beautiful city image* (The city will be beautiful—and sparkle like glitter.)
  - d. Hold up the tears/crying image (God will wipe away our tears.)
  - e. Hold up the party hat image (We will be joyful!)
- 4. How does it make you feel to think about the new world? (Excited, happy, joyful, like God really loves his family, etc.)

#### MAKE IT PERSONAL

\*Before you begin, you may want to let kids know that they will NOT take any playdough home with them. It's for having fun in Kids' Club!

- Give each kid some *playdough*, and tell kids to create something that will be in the perfect world that Jesus will create. (Some examples: a happy face, crown, favorite animal, favorite food, a friend or family member.)
- Let them create! Show them the images again, and continually remind them what the new world will be like.
- Describe what YOUR favorite thing is, and create something alongside them!

Extra time? Have kids do a coloring page. After that, play with playdough some more, but this time, ask them to create something specific. Say, "Let's all try to make a cat!" or "Let's all try to make some pizza!"



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### special notes

Re-creation can be a difficult concept to convey to preschoolers, so focus on this simple truth: God is making a world where everyone will be happy, and no one will be sad or angry. We will have everything we need, and we'll get to be close to Jesus forever!

## presenter tips

Here's the video we'll be watching today:

God's Story / Re-creation: https://vimeo.com/49020582

### script

#### \*Click to play intro music.

Hi Friends! Welcome to Kids' Club. I'm \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS.

#### Video: HOPS Put On Your Listening Ears

(Holding 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. Do you know what it's called? (Let kids respond "the Bible".) That's right, the Bible! It's God's Rescue plan. This book shows us how he rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.

In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it. He created the sun and the moon, the water and the land, the plants and the animals, and people like you and me! Everything was good. Give me a big thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.)

But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and all the wrong things came into the world. Things like sadness and death. Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.)

Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve—and you and me—could be close to God again! Do you know who the Rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!) That's right! Jesus!

#### **INTRO: THE BEST NEWS**

Today, I have a really, REALLY exciting story for you guys. Give me a thumbs up if you want to hear it! (Let kids give a thumbs up). Alright! We've been talking about a guy named John. Can you say, "John"? (Let kids respond.) John talked to God, and God talked to him! God told John



#### script continued

about something really special. God showed him a picture, and he wanted John to write down the picture, so that everybody could see it! 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.) Me too! Let's 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 God would create for his WHOLE family! It's going to be amazing! Here on earth, we have things that make us sad or angry. Can you show me a sad face? (Let kids respond.) But in this perfect world that God will create, there will be no sadness or anger at all! Can you give me a big smile? (Let kids respond.) Good job!

#### **GOD'S PERFECT WORLD**

(Click to show the following images and describe what God's perfect world will be like):

- **Crown:** We'll have the best, most perfect king ever–Jesus! Can you give me a thumbs up if you want Jesus to be your king? (Let kids respond.)
- **Food:** We'll always have food to eat, and will never be hungry! Can you rub your tummy? (Let kids respond.)
- **Beautiful City:** This world will be more beautiful than anything we've ever seen. Let's pretend like we're looking through binoculars, and we see a beautiful city far off! (Let kids respond.)
- **Tears:** God will wipe away all our tears, and we'll never be sad! Can you give me a big smile? (Let kids respond.)
- **Party:** It will be like a big party! We'll always be joyful and excited! Let's all say, "Woohoo!" (Let kids respond.)

We'll be so joyful and happy! It's going to be such an amazing place, like a party with all our best friends, favorite pets and favorite foods! We'll never cry or get sick or get ouchies. How does it make you feel to know that one day we'll never be sick or hurt or sad? (Let kids respond.) Me too.

PRAY (break into small, repeatable phrases).

Hi God! We're so excited for the perfect world you'll make. Thank you for telling us about it. We love you! Aaaaaaa-MEN.

#### WORSHIP

Let's all celebrate God's perfect world by singing and dancing! Everybody stand up and let's worship Jesus.

#### Music Video: Whole Wide World Music Video: Because You Love Me 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.)

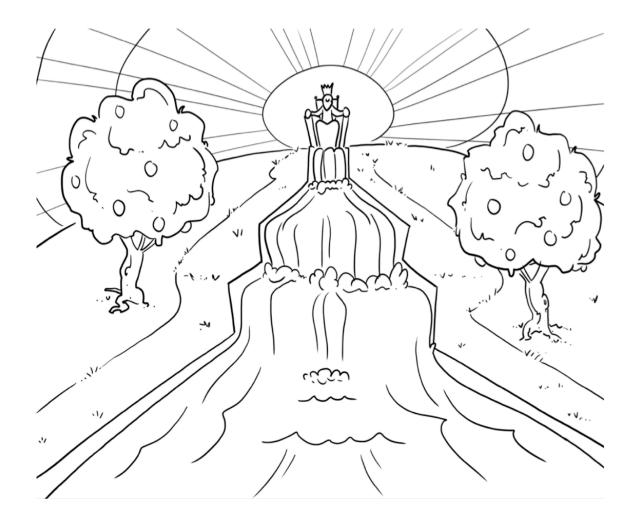


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## PREP Needs

connect time supplies Animal game - No supplies needed

#### small group supplies

Per group: Bible, markers

**Per kid:** Coloring pages Playdough One set of five images printed in color on 8 x 11 cardstock: crown, food, beautiful city, tears, party

#### large group supplies

Per Group: Bible

#### a/v needs

1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)

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- 2. Video: HOPS 2 Put on your listening ears (https://vimeo.com/67408013)
- 3. Video: God's Story / Re-creation (https://vimeo.com/49020582)
- 4. Image: crown
- 5. Image: food
- 6. Image: beautiful city
- 7. Image: tears
- 8. Image: party
- 9. Music Video: Whole Wide World (https://vimeo.com/75339448)
- 10. Music Video: Because You Love Me (https://vimeo.com/49923930)
- 11. Song: King of the Jungle (KC/SM media videos songs>songs>songs with slides)

#### connect questions

Tell me about what John saw. What will God's perfect world be like?

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