

“The Big Picture”

True Faith Moves from Rules to Relationship.

Entrance Song – Worship Leader, Catechist & Dancers

"Endless Praise"

#1 > Tech Booth: Start **Entrance Song** VIDEO 5 minutes into the Mass.

KIDS STAND

Song/Video is played while kids are entering. Dance Leaders are dancing to the song on stage. Worship Leader & Catechist are welcoming kids, clapping and getting kids pumped up.

Welcome – Worship Leader

#2 > Tech Booth: "**Welcome**" IMAGE immediately after song ends.

KIDS SIT

Hi Kids! Welcome, were so glad you joined us! We're really excited to bring you this a new program called Time Travelers! This means that starting today, Children's Liturgy is going to be a little different! We want to get you up dancing & worshipping to great music, then we'll travel back in time to hear God's Word and learn all about all the great things God has in store for us.

There must be more to faith than Sunday Mass and the sacraments. But what is it? And how do I participate in it? Well, let's find out together!

Before we get started... Let's meet some of our ministers who are serving in Time Travelers today. (Introduce yourself and the ministers.)

Do we have any one here for the first time today? (*Worship Leader acknowledges any kids who have come for the first time.*)

Let us pray...

Prayer - Worship Leader

#3 >Tech Booth: **Prayer** IMAGE (has music) while Worship Leader prays.

KIDS SIT

Example:

In the name of the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit

Dear God,

PRAISE: WE love you SO much!

THANK: THANK YOU SO MUCH for bringing us all together today

ASK: Please HELP US and BE WITH US today as we learn how to live like Jesus.

We pray this in your Son Jesus' name AMEN!

Hand Motions – Choreographer & Dancers

KIDS STAND

"This is Amazing Grace"

Worship Song –

#4 >Tech Booth: **Worship Song** VIDEO

"This is Amazing Grace"

KIDS STAND

Big Idea – Worship Leader

#5 > Tech: "What's the big idea?" VIDEO right after opening song ends.

#6 > Tech: **Big Idea** IMAGE immediately after above video.

KIDS SIT

Our Theme for the next few weeks is called "The Big Picture." I'm talking about Faith! It's something that all of us have to decide for ourselves. What do you BELIEVE? What do you think about God and Jesus? Do you really think it's all true? You see, it all comes down to one thing: FAITH.

What is Faith? (open this up for 1 or 2 hands to answer) Faith is trusting that Jesus can change us because of what He did for us. Your whole life will change, when you trust Jesus and decide to follow Him.

Because Jesus' story can change your life, we want Everyone to know Him personally. But for some people following Jesus can be COMPLICATED. Jesus doesn't want it to be hard to follow Him.

Let's begin with a Game! I need 6 girls and 6 boys...

(Choose 6 girls and 6 boys.)

Let's see which team can handle a complicated situation and win the relay.

I need two straight lines on either side of me - boys one side, girls the other. Each of you will be given a number and that number will tell you what to do.

(Give each volunteer a number one to eight on both sides.)

Now, for the game. I have to check the rules first.

(Take out the book labeled "RULES" and page through until you find the instructions written on an index card.)

Yikes! There are so many rules. I hope we have enough time, but let's get this started.

(Song Leaders give the volunteers their materials as needed as Worship Leader explains.)

Game Rules:

Number kids off, form two lines, girls on one side, boys on the other.

Worship Leader will call out #'s - kids with numbers do the following tasks. The team to finish all the asks first wins!

1. Spin around 5 times with your tongue sticking out.
2. Bark like a dog.
3. Touch nose 5 times and say "beep" without laughing.
4. Do the sprinkler for 10 seconds.
5. Walk like an astronaut on the moon in space.
6. Walk like a turtle in a circle.

No that you all know the rules – let's start with number one!

GO! – Lets cheer them on.!

Announce winner – tie in with lesson

"Although complicated, we were able to follow the rules and have fun.

GAME OVER...

Cont. ... Worship Leader

Rules are very important and can help keep us safe. That's why God gave us some rules to follow so we can grow closer to Him. In the Bible, there are tons of stories in the Old Testament of people following and not following God's rules. When Jesus came along, God's people were a little baffled because Jesus hung out with tax collectors, beggars and people who were unclean. Most people couldn't figure out why He would hang out with people who didn't always follow the rules.

After Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead, Apostles Paul and Peter started telling people they didn't have to be Jewish to follow Jesus. That seemed crazy at the time! God's people always followed rules, but God wanted EVERYONE to know that Jesus had come for them too!!

Which leads me to our bottom line for this week.

To grow in our faith, we need use the rules God has given us to grow closer to Him.

I am so glad God made it easy for us to know Jesus. It doesn't have to be complicated or difficult. We can come to Him just as we are! Everybody can know Jesus. The number one rule that Jesus has for us is that we are to love Him and love others. Truth is we are going to mess up sometimes and won't follow the rules. It happens, but no matter what God will be there to welcome us back with open arms when we apologize for our mistakes.

PHEW! That really takes the pressure off. That's the best news there is! And speaking of Good News... It's time to travel back in time to hear this week's Bible Story. Let's go!

Time Traveling - Catechist

KIDS SIT

#8 >Tech Booth: Play **Time Traveling** VIDEO

Bible Story – Gospel - Catechist

KIDS SIT

Explain: Today our Gospel Reading will be in the form of a video so make sure you pay close attention and listen to what Jesus has to teach to us today...

#9 >Tech Booth: Show “**Gospel Response**” IMAGE

Catechist: Follow along with Responses:

- *Catechist: The Lord be with you.*
- **KIDS: And with your Spirit.**
- *Catechist: This is a reading from the Gospel of Luke.*
- **KIDS: Glory to You, Oh Lord!**
- **Cross forehead, lips & heart (crosses prayer)**

#10 >Tech Booth: Play ‘**Prodigal Son**’ VIDEO immediately after the 3 crosses prayer.

Message – Video (From Rebuilt)

KIDS SIT

#11 >Tech Booth: Play **Message (Rebuilt)** VIDEO

#12 >Tech Booth: **Message** IMAGE

Talk Time - Catechist

KIDS SIT

Discussion Questions:

(Catechist will ask kids questions to help them apply the message to their lives. Leader should ask questions to the crowd, and when possible, have the Crowd Minister get kids answer the questions in the crowd. and then letting them answer in the Mic.)

1. What are some rules your parents have in your house?
 2. Why do you think they your parents make rules for you?
 3. What happens when you break the rules?
 4. How do you fix the relationship with your parents when you break the rules?
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Challenge - Catechist

When you break the rules, ask for God's forgiveness so that He can show you His love and shining light that he offers us when we come to him, confess your sin and ask for forgiveness.

Closing Prayer - Catechist

KIDS SIT

Spontaneous Prayer for the kids to carry out the Mission this week.

The Apostles' Creed Video

KIDS STAND

#13 >Tech booth: Play **Apostle's Creed** VIDEO.

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