I AM The Resurrection and the Life Video

Scripture: John 11

Memory Verse: John 11:26 *"Whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"*

Lesson Focus: Last week we took the kids through John 11 which describes Jesus's most impressive miracle, the raising of Lazarus. The result, as our memory verse says, is that people believed in Him. We will watch a Superbook video faithfully portraying this event and our hope is that the kids will also believe in Jesus.

Teachers: Please inform parents as they are dropping off their kids that they will be watching a cartoon video. While the video does not have any really intense moments in it, overly sensitive kids might get excited. If they have any concerns, they may want to keep their kids with them in the main sanctuary.

If you would like to preview the video beforehand, you can find it here on Rightnow Media: https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Content/KidsSeries/325517?episode=10

Schedule:

1) Please bring kids into the main sanctuary as usual 10-15 minutes after service starts.
2) After our normal worship, I will introduce the video with some background information.
3) Sit down with the kids and watch the video with them (about 25 minutes).
4) We will dismiss the kids back to their rooms where we will provide follow-up small group activities.

Room Time Afterwards: We will have a coloring page and a word maze available for the lesson. Also see discussion questions below for your reference.

- 1st-2nd graders: Feel at liberty to either lead a small group discussion afterward (using the discussion Q provided or your own Qs) or leverage the coloring page or puzzle.
- 3rd-5th graders: Please process and digest the video with the kids in the classroom. You can use the discussion Qs below or feel free to come up with your own Qs.

We will continue with the next "I AM" statement of Jesus the following week!

Discussion Qs

Dig Into the Story

1) At the beginning of the video, what did Joy think was the most important thing she had to do? Did God have other plans though?

2) At the beginning of the video, Jesus said something that made the people very angry. Do you remember what it was? **Read John 10:33**.

3) How did Jesus prove that He actually was who He said He was?

4) When Jesus first visited the home of Mary and Martha, what did each sister think was the most important thing to do?

5) What did Jesus do when He first found out that Lazarus was very sick? Did that seem strange to you?

6) Did you notice what Jesus did when He arrived at the tomb where they had buried Lazarus? **Read John 11:35**. Why do you think He did this?

7) What was the response of most of the people after Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead? **Read John 11:45.**

Go Deeper

1) Mary chose what was more important: Sitting at Jesus's feet. Today we cannot literally sit at His feet, but we can spend time with Jesus every day. What are some ways that we can do that?

2) In the video, Joy was first upset because things didn't go her way but afterwards she saw how it was for the best. **Read Romans 8:28**. Can you think of a time when you were frustrated because something didn't happen the way you wanted but afterwards you saw that it was for the best?

3) Not everyone believed in Jesus after seeing Him raise Lazarus from the dead. Why do you think people still refused to believe in Jesus? **Read John 11:47-48**.

4) Imagine that you were near the tomb and you saw Lazarus come out. What would you believe about Jesus? **Read John 20:31**.

5) If Jesus wept at the tomb of Lazarus, do you think He understands how we feel when we are sad and sorrowful?