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St. Paul's KIDS CLUB Recap – March 15, 2020 Peter's Vision of Animals Acts 10:9-43

THE LESSON

Peter, one of Jesus' disciples and a Jew, has a vision (a special dream) sent from God. In the vision a large sheet comes down from heaven, filled with different animals and foods the Jews (God's people) were told they needed to stay away from and not eat. In the vision God tells Peter he can kill and eat these things now. God is reminding Peter that things have now changed since Jesus has come, lived, died, and rose again to take away people's sins and end many of the Old Testament Jewish customs. Because of Jesus, there is going to be a whole new way of looking at things.



After the vision, Peter is told by God to go and share the Good News about Jesus with a Roman soldier named Cornelius (a non-Jew). Normally, Jews like Peter would stay away from Romans like Cornelius. But because of the vision, Peter realizes that God wants him to serve in a whole new way. Peter tells Cornelius and his family about Jesus and welcomes them into the family of God.

THE POINT

God is welcoming, so we are welcoming. (Read all about it in Acts 10:9-43.)

Family Together Time

Get ready for visitors with these fun and welcoming ideas!

- Decorate your front door or just inside your home with welcome signs.
- Create welcome bags with goodies, drawings, or other things you can think of to give to guests.
- Walk into your home through the door visitors use, and consider what else might make someone feel welcome.
- Take turns pretending to arrive as visitors while the rest of the family welcomes the one playing the guest. Remember to offer guests water or snacks, take their coats, and give them the best place to sit.



WATCH THIS VIDEO retelling of the story of Peter and the Vision of Animals. You can find it on the Kids Club Weekly Resources webpage.



DEAR PARENTS: While Kids Club us suspended due to the coronavirus crisis, I will keep putting together and posting weekly RECAPS sharing what we would have been talking about each Sunday with your children. You can use the RECAPS to keep the spiritual conversation going with your children until we are given the green light to start having Kids Club again. Jesus keep you all! *Dr. Nelson and the KC Team*

This week we focus on how God Is Welcoming!

- 1. What does it mean to welcome someone?
- 2. Have you ever had to welcome someone? Explain.
- 3. WATCH THE VIDEO CALLED, "FAMILY WELCOME!" on the Kids Club Weekly Resources webpage.
- 4. Why were Peanut and Biscuit excited at the beginning of the video? Why would this be exciting for them?
- 5. What did Peanut and Biscuit do to get ready for the new family member?
- 6. What caused Peanut and Biscuit to change their feelings?
- 7. How did Peanut and Biscuit react to the new baby (Sagepictured left) at first?
- 8. What did Rally the rat say to get Peanut and Biscuit to change their minds and attitudes?
- 9. What kind of people are different from you?
- 10. What does God want you to do with these kinds of people and any people who come into your life that are different from you? How does this connect with Peter's vision?
- 11. Say this prayer out loud: Dear Heavenly Father, help me to love and welcome others, just like you do. Amen.