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SERIES: OUTRAGEOUS FOR KIDS

# The Story of Naboth's Vineyard

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*Props: Put the phrase "GOD CAN DO OUTRAGEOUS THINGS" in big bold colors up on the wall.*

## Slide: Welcome

*(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)*

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

## Slide: Series Intro

We're finishing our series called, "Outrageous"! Let's do a quick review! First, we learned about Paul. Was he a good guy? (allow kids to answer) No way, he used to be VERY mean to Christians but then he met Jesus and received his outrageous forgiveness. We've also learned about Gideon. Was Gideon brave? (allow kids to answer) Nope, but God made him brave so he could defeat an army. Then we learned about a storm. What outrageous thing did Jesus do to the storm? (allow kids to answer) Right, he told it to stop, and it DID! He helped his scared friends with his outrageous power and he can help us when we're scared, too. Last week we learned about Absalom and David. Was Absalom a good son? (allow kids to answer) Nope! He was really mean to his dad and tried to kill him. But David loved him anyways. David had outrageous love and God has outrageous love for us.

Today we're going to talk about one more outrageous story from the Bible. This one is about another king from the Old Testament named Ahab. Ahab lived in a beautiful palace. He had it all but he still wanted something and he was willing to do an outrageous thing to get it.

We'll talk about that more in a few minutes. But first, let's stand and sing.

## Song

*Greatly to Be Praised*

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

## Slide: Big Idea

*All together:*

**Don't have a greedy heart. (Repeat)**

## Video

*Play lesson video.*

## Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- Before he got the vineyard, Ahab \_\_\_\_\_ (pouted).
- Did Ahab do good or bad things in order to get the vineyard? (bad)
- True or False: Ahab was even more sad after he got the vineyard. (T)

Ahab wanted that vineyard so bad he was willing to do anything to get it. He was so greedy that he thought that killing Naboth was an okay thing to do in the moment. But Ahab learned a very big lesson. Once he got the vineyard, he realized how evil he was for taking Naboth's life. He spent the rest of his days being so sad for what he had done that he didn't even enjoy the vineyard.

Sometimes we can be greedy, too, and greed can make us do outrageous things like; throwing a fit when we don't get the dessert we wanted or the toy at the store. That's just silly! Here's the lesson Ahab should have learned and we need to learn it, too. Greed is bad because it makes us want things we don't need.

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

## Slide: Memory Verse

"Beware! (throw out arms) Guard (palms out) against every kind of greed (make grabbing motions). Life is not (arms in X) measured by how much you own (palms up)." Luke 12:15  
(Repeat)

Great job! God knows that greed is bad for our hearts so he tells us to guard against it. Stuff won't make us happy, only God can. Instead of wanting more, we should be thankful for what we already have.

Let's make sure we guard against being greedy so that we don't end up doing something outrageous like Ahab did. Let's stand and sing a song to our powerful God!

## Song

*Light of the World*

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

## Slide: Big Idea

**Don't have a greedy heart.** (Repeat)

## Slide: Let's Pray

*Pray and dismiss.*