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God's BIG Love!

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THE BIG PICTURE

God helps me do big things.

KEY VERSE

"I can do everything by the power of Christ."

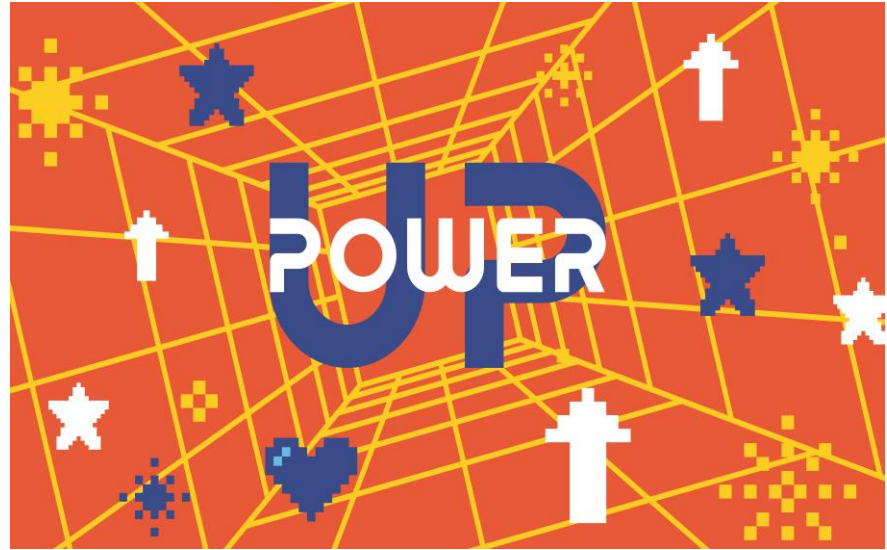
Philippians 4:13, NIV

GOD STORY

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John 3:16, John 13:34

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus (point up) gives me (point to self) the power (flex muscles) to do everything.



What you need:

TEACHING

- Paper clip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Philippians 4:13
- CD Player
- "Power Up" and "I Can Do All Things" songs
- A pretend electronic preschool learning game
- Pocket full of foam hearts in different colors and sizes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- No supplies needed

kid CITY Preschool 4-5s



Large Group: A Cheat Sheet

PRESCHOOL 4-5s





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OPENING

[Opening Music & Slides Loop \(15:00\)](#)

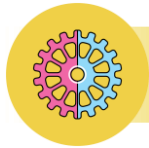
LEADER helps greet kids at the door and as they come into the classroom.



CLEAN UP

At 10 minutes into service, play the Clean-up Song

[Clean-Up Transition \(3:03\)](#)



KID CONNECT

[KidConnect Transition \(1:00\)](#)

*For details of KidConnect, see the **4-5s SMALL GROUP** Lesson.*

TRANSITION TO LARGE GROUP

At the end of KidConnect, LEADER enters, gathers everyone's attention, and leads the room in a 10-second countdown.

LEADER: Hi everybody! We're about to begin Large Group! So, I need everyone's eyes on me—put your fingers high into the air, and let's countdown from 10. Ready? Here we go!

[10-second Countdown Video \(0:15\)](#)

Worship Transition automatically begins after countdown, LEADER transitions to Large Group.



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LARGE GROUP

WELCOME/INTRO



[LIGHTS: Stage Lights Up](#)



[Worship Transition \(1:10\)](#)

LEADER: Hello, friends! I'm so excited! We are going to Power Up this month! Yes! All month long we're going to be learning about all the amazing things Jesus gives us the power to do when we're His friend. When I ask you this very important question, **Who gives you the power to do everything?** you say, **[Bottom Line] Jesus gives me the power to do everything.** Let's try it. **Who gives you the power to do everything?**

CHILDREN and LEADER together: Jesus gives me the power to do everything.



[Bottom Line Slide](#)

LEADER: Jesus (*point up*) gives me (*thumbs to chest*) the power (*flex muscles*) to do everything! Let's try it together. **Who gives you the power to do everything?**

CHILDREN and LEADER together: **[Bottom Line] Jesus** (*point up*) gives me (*thumbs to chest*) the power (*flex muscles*) to do everything!



[Key Verse Slide](#)

LEADER: That's right! **[Bottom Line] Jesus gives me the power to do everything,** and our key verse tells us just that. Right here in the Bible it says *I can do (both thumbs to chest) everything (spread arms wide) by the power (make arm muscles) of Christ (point both hands up),* Philippians 4:13. (*Open hands like a book.*) Let's do that together.

CHILDREN and LEADER together: *I can do (both thumbs to chest) everything (spread arms wide) by the power (make arm muscles) of Christ (point both hands up),* Philippians 4:13. (*Open hands like a book.*) (*Repeat several times.*)

WORSHIP

LEADER: And we have a brand-new song this month all about that. I can't wait to sing it with you.



[Power Up](#)



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Great singing, everyone. **Jesus** (*point up*) **gives me** (*thumbs to chest*) **the power** (*flex muscles*) **to do everything!** **Who gives you the power to do everything?**

CHILDREN and LEADER together: [*Bottom Line*] **Jesus** (*point up*) **gives me** (*thumbs to chest*) **the power** (*flex muscles*) **to do everything!**

 [Bottom Line Slide](#)

CHILDREN and LEADER together: Let's thank God for helping us and sing this song!

 [I Can Do All Things](#)

LEADER: Great job, everyone! God is there to help us, and He loves us.



 **STORY TRANSITION (0:30)**

STORY

INTRODUCTORY SKETCH

(LEADER enters playing the pretend electronic game. He is moving around as if his body is helping make his game catch hearts to get to the next level.)

LEADER: There's one. There's one. There's another one. YES!
(Do a happy dance that spins you all around and then notice the children.)

Oh! Hi there! I'm [your name], and I LOVE playing this super-cool game that my aunt gave me.
(Hold the game up for the children to see.)

I love this game so much that I just want to stay here and play all day. I don't even want to go outside and play with my friends. That's how fun this game is!

Oh! And I just got to the best level. It's the level where I get to catch all these hearts in a net! At first there are little hearts.

(Begin jumping just a little back and forth as you play the game.)

LEADER: Got one. Got one. Got another one. The little ones are easy to catch. But then the hearts start getting bigger!
(Begin jumping in a bigger motion back and forth as you play the game.)

LEADER: And faster!
(Now jump in big, fast motions back and forth. The jumps get bigger and faster as the game progresses.)



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LEADER: Got one! Oooh, got another one! Aww, missed that one. Here comes another one, and it is SO big! Got it! And the best part is that when you catch enough hearts, you get a POWER SHOWER of hearts!

(Pull a handful of foam hearts from your pocket and throw them up in the air so that they rain down. Look up with arms spread out as the hearts pour down all over you. Smile very big.)

LEADER: The power shower of hearts kind of looks like that. It's so fun! I could play this game all day until I've caught every single heart in the whole wide world! I'm going to go see how many more hearts I can catch while you listen to today's Bible story.

(Jump side-to-side while exiting and playing the game.)

LEADER: Oooh, got one! Yes!

LEADER should sit up front where the kids can see you as you all watch the video together. Feel free to interact with the kids when the video prompts.

 [LIGHTS: Blackout](#)

 [God Story \(3:58\)](#)
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 [LIGHTS: Stage Lights Up](#)

WRAP-UP

LEADER: Wow! *(Walk over to the POWER UP game.)*

Did you hear that? I was in the back and I had to stop playing my game because that story was so amazing! God's LOVE for us is the biggest, most amazing thing EVER, because He gave us His Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever! And when Jesus is our friend, He gives us the power to love everyone!

(Look at the POWER UP game, then down at the electronic game, and then at the children.)

I just got a great idea! *(Smile really big.)* I'm going to go to the park and invite EVERYONE to play tag with me. That is one way I can LOVE everyone. I can play this game later.

 [Bottom Line Slide](#)

LEADER: **Jesus** *(point up)* **gives me** *(thumbs to chest)* **the power** *(flex muscles)* **to do everything!** Let's try it together. **Who gives you the power to do everything?**

CHILDREN and LEADER together: **[Bottom Line]** **Jesus** *(point up)* **gives me** *(thumbs to chest)* **the power** *(flex muscles)* **to do everything!**



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PRAYER

Do "Open them, close them." Children will say the finger play with you and repeat each line of the prayer after you.

CHILDREN and LEADER: Open them. [*Open hands.*] Close them. [*Close hands.*]
Open them. [*Open hands.*] Close them. [*Close hands.*]
Give a little clap. [*Clap hands.*]

Open them. [*Open hands.*] Close them. [*Close hands.*]
Open them. [*Open hands.*] Close them. [*Close hands.*]
Fold them in your lap. [*Fold hands in lap.*]

LEADER: Thank you for being such great listeners today. Good job! Now let's close our eyes and talk to God.

Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You sent Your Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever. Thank You that when Jesus is our friend, He gives us the power to love like He loves. You're the best, God! In Jesus' name, amen.

Dismiss to Small Groups

 [Small Group Transition \(1:00\)](#)

SMALL GROUP

*Be sure to leave plenty of time for **SMALL GROUP**. Kids should be transitioning into Small Group **40 minutes into service.***

During Small Group, LEADER should serve the room by taking care of cleanup of all Large Group props and supplies, resetting them for next service or putting them away entirely. Ask the Coach and Small Group Leaders how you can help.

TAKE HOME

LEADER should assist the Coach with check-out by greeting parents and saying goodbye to the kids. If assigned check-out responsibility, remember these important details:

- *Matching kids' tags with parents' – only matching IDs go home together.*



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- *If a tag doesn't match or the kid's tag is missing, the parent must go to the Welcome Team and show their license to get their tag AND their kids tag reprinted together.*
- *Giving sticker-dots to kids (so security doesn't tackle them 😊)*