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# Paul and Silas in Prison

Jesus gives you the power to have joy, Week 2 | June 8-9

## THE BIG PICTURE

When Jesus is your friend, He gives you the power to have joy.

## KEY VERSE

“I can do everything by the power of Christ.” Philippians 4:13, NIV

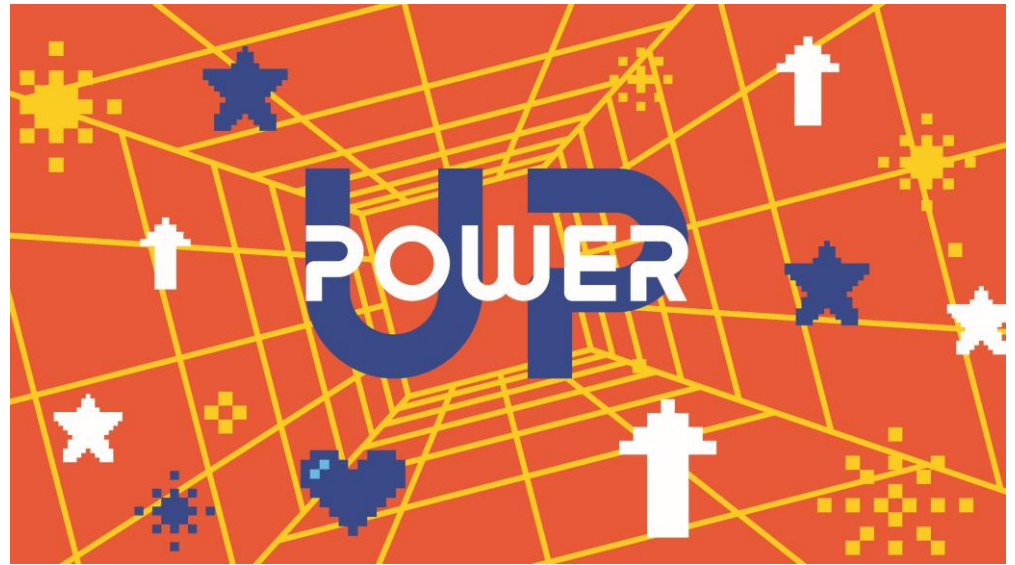
## GOD STORY

Paul and Silas in Prison

Acts 16:16-34

## BOTTOM LINE

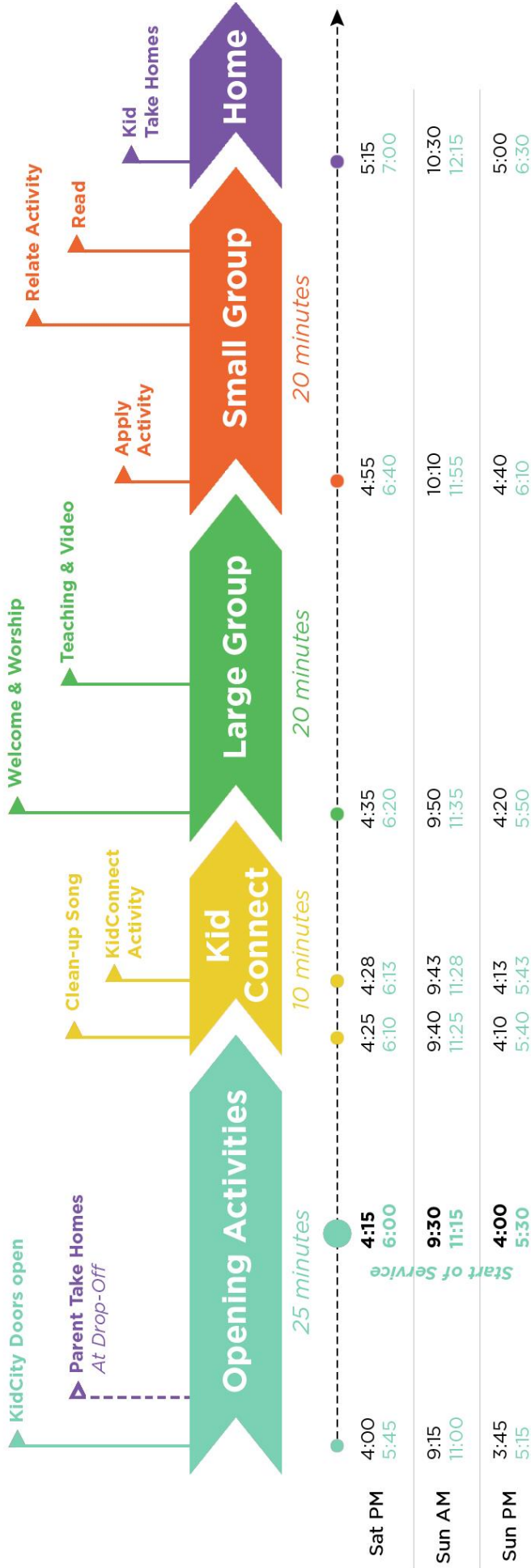
Jesus (point up) gives me (thumbs to chest) the power to do everything (flex arms).



## What you need:

- **OPENING ACTIVITIES** (Emotion Matching)
  - Laminated emotion cards
- **APPLY** (Put on a Happy Face)
  - Crayons
  - “Paul and Silas” Activity Page
  - Smiley face stickers
- **RELATE** (Verse in Motion)
  - No supplies needed
- **READ**
  - The Beginner’s Bible – Paul’s Journey pg. 494
- **TAKE HOME**
  - Put on a Happy Face craft

# kid CITY Preschool 4-5s





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## OPENING

*Welcome the children to KidCity! The room should be staged for play, so jump into a game or activity with kids as they enter the room.*

***Pro-tip:** If you just start playing with something, kids will often “opt-in,” and this gives them a safe sense of being in control.*

## Featured OPENING ACTIVITIES

*These activities will enhance the experience and the engagement with the lessons for the month.*

### Emotion Matching

#### What You Need:

- For each Station:
  - Emotion matching cards

## LARGE GROUP

*Sit with your few during Large Group and help them participate. Model for them what they should do: sing and dance with them, encourage them to stay by (or on) your Small Group blanket, and respond to the HOST/STORYTELLER and video*

*For the details of Large Group, see the **4-5s LARGE GROUP** Lesson.*



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## APPLY

### Put on a Happy Face

*Preschoolers will color activity page and put smiley face stickers on their creation while discussing the Bible story with SGL.*

#### What You Need:

- For the Group:
  - Crayons
  - Smiley face stickers
- For each Kid:
  - “Paul and Silas” Activity Page

#### What You Do:

*During the Activity:* Give each child an Activity Page. Instruct the children to place a happy face sticker onto Paul and Silas on their pages.

#### What You Say:

*During the Activity:* “Tell me, were Paul and Silas joyful or sad while they were in jail? *(Pause.)* Yes! They were joyful. Let’s add these happy face stickers all around Paul and Silas on your pages.”

*After the Activity:* “Your pictures look great! I love all the happy faces. You know, Jesus gave Paul and Silas the power to be joyful in a really hard situation. Only Jesus could give you the power to be joyful when things are hard. I’m so glad Jesus wants to be my friend forever! **Who gives you the power to do everything? [Bottom Line] Jesus gives me the power to do everything.**”

## RELATE

### Verse in Motion

*SGL will help preschoolers talk about the Bible story and help children learn the key verse with motions.*

Key Verse: **“I can do everything by the power of Christ.”** Philippians 4:13.

**What you say:** “Today we heard a story about two guys named Paul and Silas. Can you say, ‘Paul and Silas’? *(Pause.)* Good job! Who remembers the bad thing that happened to Paul and Silas? *(Pause.)* “You’re right. Paul and Silas got put in jail for telling people that Jesus is alive. But Paul and Silas did something wonderful while they were in jail that no one thought they would do. Do you remember what Paul and Silas did in jail? *(Pause.)*”



# Paul and Silas in Prison

“Paul and Silas chose JOY! Instead of crying and being sad, they prayed and sang songs to God.

“Jesus gave Paul and Silas the power to have joy even when something bad was happening. Jesus really can give us the power to do anything! **Who gives you the power to do everything?**”

**CHILDREN and SGL:** *[Bottom Line]* “Jesus gives me the power to do everything.”

**SGL:** “And because Jesus is alive, when we follow Jesus, He gives us the power to choose JOY no matter what happens.

“We started learning a new Bible verse last time that will help us remember that Jesus gives us the power to do everything.

“The verse says: ***I can do everything by the power of Christ, Philippians 4:13.***

“Christ is another name for Jesus. This Bible verse teaches us that Jesus has the power to help us do everything—like choose JOY even when bad things happen.

“Stand up with me and let’s say this verse together with the motions. It can help us remember that *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus gives me the power to do everything. Who gives you the power to do everything?**”

**CHILDREN and SGL:** *[Bottom Line]* “Jesus gives me the power to do everything!”

**SGL:** “Okay, just say what I say and do what I do.”

**CHILDREN and SGL:** “*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 the verse with motions a few times.)

**SGL:** “High fives for everyone! (Give each child a high five.)

“Let’s sit back down. It’s time to pray.

Would anyone like to pray before I pray?”

(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)

## Prayer

**SGL:** “Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to give us the power to choose JOY no matter what happens. I pray we will choose joy when sad things happen. More than anything, I pray that each person here will follow Jesus one day so they can love others the way Jesus loves them. We love you Jesus, amen.”



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## TAKE HOME

- **For each Kid:**

N/A

*If you get the chance to speak to a parent/caregiver, share something encouraging about their child within earshot of the child. This will mean a lot to both the grown-up and the child.*