



# Simeon at the Temple

Jesus gives you the power to have patience, Week 4 | June 22-23

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

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## **KEY VERSE**

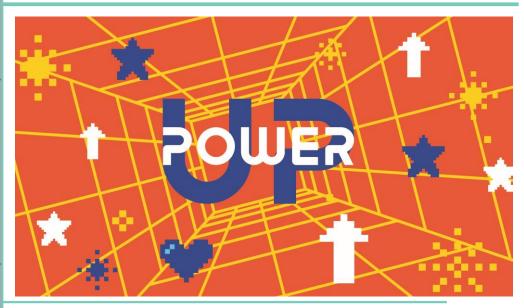
"I can do everything by the power of Christ." Philippians 4:13, NIrV

## GOD STORY

Simeon at the Temple Luke 2:22-39

## **BOTTOM LINE**

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



### What you need:

- o **OPENING ACTIVITIES** (Busy Bodies)
  - o Laminated body movement cards
  - o Animal faces

#### • APPLY (Pom Pom Lane)

- For the Group:
  - Masking tape (Place two parallel 5-foot lines of tape on the floor)
  - o 2-3 Pom-pom balls
- For each Child:
  - Drinking straws

#### • **RELATE** (Duck, Duck, Goose)

- No supplies needed
- **READ** 
  - The Beginner's Bible Simeon and Anna Meet Baby Jesus – pg. 282
- TAKE HOME

• N/A

A-5s





## **Simeon at the Temple**



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.

### **Busy Bodies**

What You Need:

- For each Station:
  - Laminated body movement cards
  - Animal faces

#### What You Do:

Set out the busy body cards around the room and guide children to do the activity shown on the card.



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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### **Pom-Pom Lane**

Preschoolers will practice patience while they move the Pom-poms down the lane only using breath from their straws.

#### What You Need:

#### For the Group:

- Masking tape (Place two parallel 5-foot lines of tape on the floor)
- o 2-3 Pom-pom balls

For each Child:

o Drinking straws

#### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place a five-foot line of tape on the floor in your activity area. Create a parallel line of the same length about a foot from the first to create a lane. Place two or three pom-poms on the floor at one end of the lane.

*During the Activity:* Pass out a drinking straw to each child, and have children line up at the end of the lane where you've placed the pom-poms. Show the children how to blow air through their drinking straws to move the pom-pom along, making sure to keep it inside the tape lines. Let each child have a turn moving the pom-pom all the way down the lane.

#### What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Do you see these pom-poms? I have a little challenge for you. I want you to move one of these pom-poms all the way to the other end of our lane here, but you can only move it by blowing air through your straw. It will take patience, but I know you can do it!"

*After the Activity:* "That was hard but so fun! I love the way you kept going and showed patience. It isn't always easy to show patience, but we do have help. Jesus gives us the power to be patient. **Who gives you the power to do everything?** *[Bottom Line]* Jesus gives me the power to do everything."



### Duck, Duck, Goose

Preschoolers practice patience as they wait to be chosen to be "It".

#### What You Need:

- For the Group:
  - $\circ$   $\,$  No supplies needed



#### What You Do:

Before the Activity: Guide the children to sit in a circle. Choose one child to be "It."

*During the Activity:* Have "It" walk around the outside of the circle while touching the other children's heads while saying, "duck." Ask the child to choose someone and to be the next "It" and choose that person by touching their head and saying, "goose." Repeat the activity until each child has had a turn to be "It."

#### What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Let's play a fun game. We have to be patient while we are playing this game."

*During the Activity:* "We are going to sit in a circle and [child's name] will be 'lt.' She will walk around the circle and touch everyone's head and say, 'duck, duck, duck.' *(Demonstrate.)* When you choose someone to be the next 'lt,' then you touch their head and say, 'GOOSE!' Are you ready?" *(Do activity.)* 

*After the Activity:* "Great job! You were all so patient! We all had a turn to be 'It' because we were all patient. Jesus gives us the power to be patient. **Who gives you the power to do everything?** *[Bottom Line]* **Jesus gives me the power to do everything!**"

### READ

#### The Beginner's Bible – Simeon and Anna Meet Baby Jesus pg. 282

#### Practice the memory verse while using the following motions.

What to Say:

**SGL:** "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! Okay, ready? 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.)* 



 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.