



Simeon at the Temple

Jesus gives you the power to be patient, Week 4 | June 22-23

THE

BIG PICTURE

When Jesus is your friend, He gives you the power to be patient.



KEY VERSE

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

Philippians 4:13



GOD STORY

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Luke 2:22-39



BOTTOM LINE

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



What you need:

- **OPENING ACTIVITIES** (Busy Bodies)
 - Busy body laminated cards
 - Animal faces
- **APPLY** (Pom Pom Lane)
For the Group:
 - Masking tape (Place two parallel 5-foot lines of tape on the floor)
 - 2-3 Pom-pom ballsFor each Child:
 - Drinking straws
- **RELATE** (Duck, Duck, Goose)
 - No supplies needed
- **TAKE HOME**
 - N/A



Preschool 2-3s





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Opening Activity

Welcome the children to KidCity! **Don't forget to greet each child by name** (learn their name if you don't know it). This time sets the pace for how the rest of KidCity will go for each child.

OPENING ACTIVITIES

These are some fun ways for you to engage kids as they enter, making them feel safe by immersing themselves in play. For some, starting with an activity rather than a conversation is way less intimidating.

Busy Bodies

What You Need: Busy body laminated 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.

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 to encourage your few to do the same.

*For the details of Large Group, see the **2-3s LARGE GROUP** Lesson.*



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APPLY

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)
 - 2-3 Pom-pom balls
- For each Child:
 - 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."

RELATE

Duck, Duck, Goose

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

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

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



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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 ‘It.’ 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 ‘It,’ 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!”**

TAKE HOME

- **For each Kid:**
 - N/A

Take a moment to share with parents about their children’s experiences. Many parents will only hear about the morning from you.