



Simeon at the Temple

Simeon at the Temple, Week 4 | June 22-23

THE BIG PICTURE

God helps me do big things.

KEY VERSE

“I can do everything by the power of Christ”

Philippians 4:13, Nlrv

GOD STORY

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Luke 2:22-39

BOTTOM LINE

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



What you need:

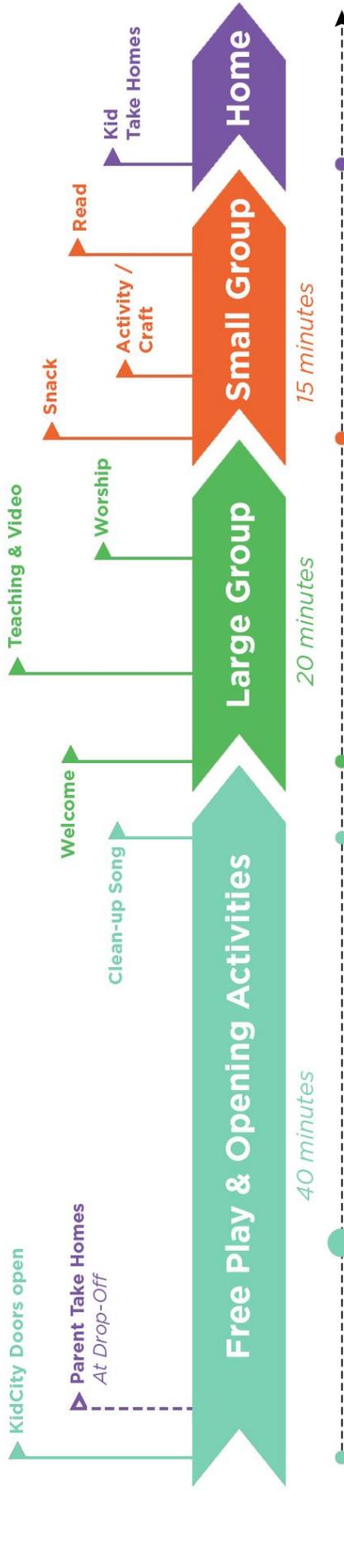
- **TEACHING**
 - CD Player
 - “Power Up” and “I Can Do All Things” songs
 - Bible
 - Basket
 - Red plush heart
 - Yellow plush smiley face
 - Plush bird
 - Baby doll

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *This weekend, Hope is celebrating baptisms. If you need to get out early or come late in order to be a part of or see the baptisms happening today, talk with your coach and other leaders in your room about how responsibilities can be covered. Baptism is a once-in-someone’s-lifetime experience, and we want to do everything we can to be sure you don’t miss it.*

kid CITY **Preschool**

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Sat PM	4:00 5:45	4:15 6:00	4:37 6:22	4:40 6:25	5:00 6:45	5:15 7:00
Sun AM	9:15 11:00	9:30 11:15	9:52 11:37	9:55 11:40	10:15 12:00	10:30 12:15
Sun PM	3:45 5:15	4:00 5:30	4:22 5:52	4:25 5:55	4:45 6:15	5:00 6:30



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OPENING

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

STORYTELLER helps greet kids at the door and as they come into the classroom. At about 25 minutes into service, play the Clean-up Song.

 [Clean-up Song \(3:00\)](#)



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LARGE GROUP

WELCOME/INTRO



LIGHTS: Stage Lights Up

STORYTELLER enters, carrying the treasure box. Inside is a Bible and props for today's lesson. STORYTELLER sits on the floor with the kids.

LEADER: Hi, friends! I am so glad to see you here! Everyone come in close and have a seat because I have an exciting story to share with you today.

First, let's go over our **three important rules** to make sure none of us miss what God wants us to hear today. Let's go over our rules now.

Everyone, hold up your first finger. *(You do the same.)* Our first rule is:

Be kind! Can everyone say that with me? *(All together: 'BE KIND!!')*

We can be kind by using our speaking voices, by staying in our spots, and by obeying our leaders' directions.

(Follow this same format for the other two rules, listed below with examples.)

Be safe. We can be safe by walking around the classroom and keeping our hands to ourselves.

Have fun! We are going to have SO much fun, and that's because you are here!

Those rules are important because KidCity is a place where we can learn about God and Jesus! And there are **three big truths** that we want you to know. Let's say those together! Repeat after me:

1. **God Made Me.** *(kids repeat)*
2. **God Loves Me.** *(kids repeat)*
3. **Jesus Wants To Be My Friend Forever!** *(kids repeat)*



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LEADER: Hi, everyone! It's great to see you today! Let's Power Up and learn more about our amazing friend, Jesus. He gives us the power to love, have joy, and have peace. **[Bottom Line] Jesus (point up) gives me (thumbs to chest) the power (flex muscles) to do everything! Who gives you the power to do everything? [Bottom Line] Jesus (point up) gives me (thumbs to chest) the power (flex muscles) to do everything!**

BIBLE STORY

What You Need: Bible, basket, and red plush heart, yellow plush smiley face, plush bird, baby doll

LEADER: It's story time! I want everyone to come sit with me. This is the . . . (hold up Bible) . . . Bible. The Bible has God's story in it.

(Lay it open at Luke 2 in front of the children. Read Luke 2:22-39)

Today's story is about being PATIENT! That's a big word. Patient is waiting for something with a happy heart. Have you ever had to wait a long time for something? Maybe you had to wait to get out of bed or wait for food or wait on your mommy or daddy to pick you up. Have you ever whined or cried about waiting? It's hard to be patient and keep a happy heart when we're waiting, but the man in our story did it!

Today's story is about being patient! Let's watch today's **story video** together and see what we can learn.

STORYTELLER 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](#)

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 [LIGHTS: Stage Lights Up](#)

LEADER: In our story, Simeon waited a long, long, LOOOOONG time to see someone very special. Simeon was waiting to see . . .

(Take the baby doll out of the basket and rock it gently. The plush bird, red plush heart and yellow plush smiley face will still be in the basket.)

. . . Jesus! *(Keep rocking the doll.)* Simeon was so happy when he finally got to see God's Son, Jesus! Simeon was PATIENT while he waited. And Jesus will give us the power to be patient too. Jesus will give [child's name] the power to be PATIENT. *(Repeat for each child.)*



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Yes, when Jesus is our friend, He gives us the power to be patient. *(Lay the baby doll down in front of the children.)*

But that’s not all! When Jesus is your friend, He gives you the power to *(hold up plush heart and lay it down)* LOVE and *(hold up plush smiley face and lay it down)* have JOY and *(hold up the plush bird and lay it down)* have PEACE! Jesus gives you the power to do everything! **Who gives you the power to do everything?**

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

LEADER: Yay! **[Bottom Line] Jesus gives me the power to do everything!**

WRAP UP / WORSHIP

LEADER: Yes, He does. Let’s sing about that!



Way to go! You are all such amazing singers. One more time: **Who gives you the power to do everything? [Bottom Line] Jesus (point up) gives me (thumbs to chest) the power (flex muscles) to do everything!**. That’s right, friends. You better believe it!

(As you sing the song with the kids, incorporate hand and body motions. Keep engagement high by occasionally giving instructions, encouraging kids to sing, and adding in your own dance moves.)

Awesome job! God loves to hear His friends sing songs to Him. He knows that it reminds us that He gives us the power to do everything! Let’s say our bottom line together again so that we won’t forget it:

Jesus (point up) gives me (thumbs to chest) the power (flex muscles) to do everything! (repeat again)

LEADER: That’s right! He gives us the power to do everything. Let’s sing one more song together!



LEADER: Great singing everyone! Let’s say our bottom line together one more time:

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

PRAYER

LEADER: Okay, now it’s time to close our eyes and put our hands in our lap so we can talk to God.



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Encourage kids to repeat each line of the simple prayer after you.

Dear God, it's hard to wait sometimes. Thank You for giving us Jesus to give us the power to have patience. I think we all need a lot of help with that! We know Your way is always best and worth waiting for. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.

Dismiss to Small Groups, instructing kids in a way that sets your small group leaders up for success.

SMALL GROUP

Be sure to leave plenty of time for **SMALL GROUP**. Kids should be transitioning into Small Group **45 minutes into service**.

During Small Group, STORYTELLER 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

STORYTELLER 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.
 - 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 😊)