

POWER UP 4

August 17/18
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LARGE GROUP

Power Up: FAITHFULNESS

HOST:

“Hello everyone! I can’t wait to power up with you today and learn more about our good friend, Jesus, but first, tell me: **‘Who gives you the power to do everything?’** **‘Jesus gives me the power to do everything.’** (*Encourage children to say the entire bottom line statement and not just ‘Jesus!’*)

Yes! That’s right! God sent Jesus to be our friend forever so that we can have the power to do everything. God is so amazing, and we can always count on him! Let’s stand up and sing!

SONG 1: I CAN COUNT ON GOD

SONG 2: MY GOD IS BIG AND HE LOVES ME

WORSHIP LEADER:

“Great singing, friends! **Who gives you the power to do everything? Jesus gives me the power to do everything!**

Yes! And that’s what our memory verse says. Are you ready to do it all together? Say it with me:

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.)

Wow! You have that verse down! Let’s do it again!

“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.)

Yes! You’ve got it totally memorized now! Way to go! I am so proud of you.

STORYTELLER:

Friends, we have learned so much about how Jesus gives us the power to do everything. First, we learned about how he gives us the power to... (*Hold up LOVE button*) ...LOVE! That's right! Then we learned that Jesus gives us the power to have (*Hold up smiley face.*) JOY! Yes! Then, we learned about how he gives us the power to be.... (*hold up baby bottle*) PATIENT! Great! Well today we are going to hear an amazing story. Do you know what these are? (*hold up praying hands*). That's right – praying hands! I wonder what these have to do with our true bible story!? Let's watch and find out!

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STORYTELLER:

“Wow. Peter and his friends didn't give up. They kept praying and praying even when it seemed really hard. They stuck with it. Peter's friends knew that if they prayed to God, he would hear them! That's amazing!

Can you show me your praying hands? Good job! Peter's friends kept praying and praying and praying. It was hard to keep praying when it seemed like nothing was happening, but they didn't give up. They were FAITHFUL. Everybody say “FAITHFUL!” They were FAITHFUL and stuck to it.

Let's use our praying hands now. Everybody, close your eyes and let's talk to God.

PRAYER “Dear God, help us to be faithful like Jesus is faithful. Jesus never gives up on us, and I pray we never give up on our friends either. Thank you, God for always hearing us when we pray to you. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.”

Friends, **'Who gives you the power to do everything?' 'Jesus gives me the**

HOST:

Boys and girls, when we pray, God always hears us. He sent Jesus to be our friend forever. And when Jesus is our friend, we have the power to stick with it and be faithful! Let's sing!

SONG 3: JESUS WANTS TO BE MY FRIEND FOREVER