



WEEK
THREE
AUGUST 2021

LARGE GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS
STAGE

PRELUDE

SOCIAL

WORSHIP

STORY

GROUPS

HOME

10 MINUTES

BIBLE STORY

God's power can give me what I need.

MOSES AND THE WATER
EXODUS 17:1-7

MEMORY VERSE

"Great is our Lord and mighty in power."

PSALM 147:5, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who is powerful?

BOTTOM LINE

God is powerful.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE CHILDREN'S HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE WORSHIP, BIBLE STORY, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

WORSHIP

WHAT YOU NEED: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at Psalm 147:5, NIV. You need a music player and this month's worship song, "Anything at All," which is included in your monthly files. The dance moves video for "Anything at All" is available on the Very Big Things Dance Moves DVD, OrangeKidsMusic.com, or in your media package if you subscribe. You also need "Perfect," which is available on the Love Like Jesus CD, iTunes®, and Spotify®. The dance moves video for this song is available on the Love Like Jesus Dance Moves DVD and at OrangeKidsMusic.com.

WORSHIP LEADER: "Hello, everyone! Guess what time it is? (Pause.) It's worship time! It's time to stand up and dance and sing and worship together! God deserves all our praise because He made us, and He loves us. There is NO ONE more powerful than God. **Who is powerful?**"

CHILDREN AND WORSHIP LEADER: "**God is powerful.**"

WORSHIP LEADER: "That's right. He can do ANYTHING. Sing this out with me!

Lead children in singing "Anything At All," this month's worship song.

"Can you make a rainbow from the rain? (Pause.) Me neither! Who can make a rainbow from the rain? (Pause.) God can! That's because **God is powerful**. He's so powerful that God made you and **God made me**."

"You know, the Bible teaches us that 'Great (jazz hands) is our Lord (point up) and mighty in power,' (fists on hips) Psalm 147:5. (Open hands like a book.) That's our memory verse this month! Let's say it together.

Lead the children to say the verse with the motions.

"I LOVE our verse. Our God is great and mighty! He is perfect. Sing this out with me.

Lead children in singing "Perfect."

"Every single day, in every single way, God is perfect. We don't have to worry because **God is powerful**. Great job, friends!"



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INTRO SKETCH

WHAT YOU NEED: Toy dump truck, bag of small rocks, flat tray with a lip, sand, and table

WHAT YOU DO: Preset the table in the middle of the storytelling area. Put sand in the bottom of the flat tray and set the tray on one side of the table and the hand towel on the other side.

The Host, smiling really big, walks out carrying the dump truck and the bag of rocks.

HOST: "Hello there, friends! I'm [your name]. Guess what? The construction crew is still working on the road outside my house. This morning, some GIANT dump trucks hauled in these HUGE loads of rock. When they dumped the rocks, it sounded like a mountain falling down.

"It was so amazing. I wanted to show you guys what it looked like. So, I collected a bunch of rocks from the driveway.

Hold up the sack of rocks and dump a few on the towel.

"And now we need our dump truck!

Hold up the dump truck.

"So first, we'll fill the dump truck like this.

Put several rocks in the dump truck.

"Okay, we have rocks in our dump truck. Now our dump truck has to travel ALLLL the way over here (point to the sand tray) to dump the rocks. Make your best truck sounds with me. RRRRrrrrr.

Roll truck over the sand on the tray.

"Here we are! Now on the count of three, I want everyone to say, 'Dump those rocks!' One, two three."

CHILDREN: "Dump those rocks!"

Dump the rocks onto the tray.

HOST: "So cool! Dumping rocks with my dump truck is really fun! Dump trucks are so powerful. But we've been learning about SomeONE even more powerful. I think it's time for your story. See you guys later."

The Host exits with the dump truck, leaving the sand tray and rocks on the table.

BIBLE STORY

WHAT YOU NEED: Bible, water bottle, shepherd's staff, large rock, and a box; *Optional Story Images*

WHAT YOU DO: Put the rock and water bottle in the box. Preset the shepherd's staff somewhere in the storytelling area.

The storyteller enters carrying a Bible and the box.

STORYTELLER: "Hello, friends! I'm [your name], and I've got an awesome TRUE story to share with you from the



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Bible.

Hold up the Bible and lay it open on the table in the center of the storytelling area.

(Option: Display Story Image W3 01)

"God's people, the Israelites, were led by a man named Moses. And they all lived in the desert.

Stand behind the table, pick up some sand, and let it fall between your fingers, onto the tray.

"In the desert, it can get really hot, and there was LOTS and LOTS of sand! But do you know what there was NOT a lot of? *(Pause.)* Water.

"There wasn't much water and God's people got thirsty. Now when you or I get thirsty, there are lots of places we can get water. But the Israelites did not have ANY water, anywhere.

(Option: Display Story Image W3 02)

"God's people started whining and complaining because they were thirsty and didn't have any water. Everyone say, 'I'm so thirsty' in your whiniest voice."

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: "I'm so thirsty!"

STORYTELLER: "Moses knew the people needed water, but it was wrong to whine and complain about it. So he talked to God. Moses told God that the people felt like God wasn't helping them. But we know that God is always with us and has the power to help. Do you think God helped the thirsty people in the desert?"

CHILDREN: "Yes!"

STORYTELLER: "Yes! God told Moses to go to a big rock.

Pull out the rock and set it on the sand table.

"It was probably WAY bigger than this. But God told Moses to go to a big rock and hit it with his staff.
(Option: Display Story Image W3 03)

Grab the staff and tap the rock.

"Can you guys guess what happened when Moses struck the rock with his staff? *(Pause.)*

(Option: Display Story Image W3 04)

"Water came out of the rock! God is SO powerful. Only God could do that.

Pull water bottle out of the box and hold it up.



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“Only God could make THIS come out of that (*point to the rock*). That’s how powerful God is! The people drank the water and knew that God was there and had the power to help them.

“So the next time you need something, remember to talk to God about it. God has the power to help you. Tell me, **who is powerful?**”

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: “God is powerful!”

STORYTELLER: “Who is powerful?”

CHILDREN AND STORYTELLER: “God is powerful!”

STORYTELLER: “I’m SO glad God’s power can give me what I need. Let’s pray and thank God for His power.”

PRAYER

STORYTELLER: “God, thank You for being powerful enough to give us what we need, just like You gave the Israelites water when they needed it. God, You are AWESOME, and we love You so much. In Jesus’ name, amen.

“What a cool true story. Thanks for being such great listeners. See you later!”

The Storyteller exits with the Bible leaving the water bottle and rock behind.

OUTRO SKETCH

What You Need: Dump truck from Intro and rock and water bottle from Story

The Host enters smiling and carrying the dump truck.

HOST: “Wow! God’s power is SO amazing that He made water (*hold up the water bottle*) come out of a rock! (*Hold up the rock.*) Because God’s so powerful, He can give us everything we need, too. I think I got the story. Did you get it? If you did, say, ‘Got it.’ Get it?”

CHILDREN: “Got it!”

HOST: “Good! I can’t make water (*hold up water bottle*) come out of one of these rocks (*hold up the rock*), but I can keep moving them. Here we go.

Push the smaller rocks around with the dump truck.

“Beep, beep, beep. See you next time, friends!”

Host exits with the sand tray and dump truck.