

God Is Powerful

Bible Passage: Acts 3

Hey Families! Take this time to gather together to hear a part of The Big God Story! Pull out your Bibles, open it up to Acts 3 and before you jump in – pause and ask God to teach you this morning. Help your family quiet their voices and rest their hands and feet as you all close your eyes and talk to God. *Lead children in a Prayer of Release to pause, be still, and ask the Holy Spirit to quiet their hearts and minds.*

Then read the following to help you and your family engage in God's Word.

When we listen to The Big God Story today, we're going to hear that God is powerful. Every time you hear God's name, make big muscles with your arms. Show children how to make muscles by flexing their arms. Those are some great muscles.

After Jesus went to heaven, all the people who believed in Him started telling others all about God (flex arms). They loved God (flex arms) so much, and they wanted everyone else to love Him too. God (flex arms) was with them as they told people about Him. He gave them the power and strength to not be afraid. Two of Jesus' followers were named Peter and John.



One day, they were on their way to the temple to worship God (flex arms). Just outside the temple, they saw a man lying on the ground.



The man couldn't walk. He was lame, which means his legs didn't work. The man in this part of The Big God Story had never been able to walk, run, or dance. He couldn't have a job, and he couldn't even go anywhere without someone carrying him.

Who do you think could help this man? Allow children to respond. God (flex arms) could help because God (flex arms) is powerful! When the man saw Peter and John walking into the temple, he asked them for some money.



Peter and John looked at the man and told him, "I don't have any silver or gold to give to you, but I will give you what I have." Then Peter said, "In the name of Jesus Christ, walk." God (flex arms) is powerful, and God (flex arms) was with Peter and John. Peter trusted that God (flex arms) could help the man and make him better. Do you think God (flex arms) healed the man? Children respond. God (flex arms) did! God (flex arms) is powerful, and He healed the man so he could walk again.

The man was so happy that he could walk! He started to jump around for the very first time. Let's stand up and jump too. Stand with the children and jump up and down a few times. Now that the man could walk, he was able to go to the temple on his own and worship God (flex arms). God's (flex arms) power changed the man's life.

God (flex arms) is so powerful! Isn't it good to know that our powerful God cares for each one of us?

Worship/Response Time: Song of Celebration

Friends, we just heard about an amazing miracle. God made a man walk for the very first time. The man was so excited that he started jumping and praising God. Let's celebrate how powerful God is. We're going to hear a song that talks about dancing. The man danced before the Lord, so let's dance before Him too!

Lead kids in a celebratory worship song. Check out our YouTube playlist for suggestions! Feel free to use instruments, ribbons, flags, anything to make this time celebratory and worshipful!

Blessing:

Gather the children around you to bless them. Have them flex their muscles as you pray this prayer of blessing over them:

Children, God is powerful, and He is always good. May you praise Him every day for His great power.

Open a Bible and read 1 Chronicles 16:34a:

Give thanks to the lord, for He Is Good.