**POWER UP 1** 

July 6-7 July 13-14

# **LARGE GROUP**

Power Up: LOVE

### **HOST:**

"Hello, friends! I am SO glad that you came to church today. We are going to POWER UP this month! Yes! All month long we are going to be learning about all the amazing things Jesus gives us the power to do when we are his friend. And we have a brand new question to answer. When I say: 'Who gives you the power to do everything?' you are going to say 'Jesus gives me the power to do everything.' Let's try it: '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!')

SONG 1: I LIKE TO JUMP

**SONG 2: JESUS IS MY BEST FRIEND** 

#### **WORSHIP LEADER:**

"Great singing, everybody! Jesus gives me the power to do everything! Who gives you the power to do everything? Jesus gives me the power to do everything!

That's right! And I know this is true because it says it right here in the bible! (hold up bible). Our new memory verse comes from the book in the Bible called Philippians. Can you say that word? Great job! I am going to do the whole memory verse once for you.

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.)

Now I will say a little and you can repeat it after 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.) (Repeat several times.)

Nice work, friends! We will practice that some more in our classrooms. I can't wait!

#### STORYTELLER:

Boys and Girls, I brought something to show you and it gives us a clue as to what we are going to learn about. Today we are going to find out the first way that God's true word in the Bible tells us we can POWER UP. What do you think this is? (hold up heart story board card). That's right! It's a heart! Does anyone know what a heart usually means? LOVE? That's right! Let's see what Ollie has to tell us about how God's power helps us to love!

#### **OLLIE VIDEO: POWER UP - LOVE**

#### STORYTELLER:

"Wow! All things love begin with God. That means God can give me the power to love EVERYONE! That's amazing! Sometimes it can be hard to love others all the time, but with the power of Jesus living inside of us, we can do it! Jesus gives us the power to do everything!

So, when I ask you, 'Who gives you the power to do everything?' I want you to say, 'Jesus gives me the power to do everything!' Got it? Let's try it! Who gives you the power to do everything?' 'Jesus gives me the power to do everything!"

Yes, He does! And he gives us the power to LOVE. Let's talk to God and thank him!

**PRAYER** "Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You sent Your Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever. Thank You that when Jesus is our friend, He gives us the power to love like He loves. You're the best, God! In Jesus' name, amen.

## **HOST:**

God's LOVE for us is the biggest, most amazing thing EVER, because He gave us His Son, Jesus, to be our friend forever! And when Jesus is our friend, He gives us the power to love everyone! Let's sing one final song together about God's love for us!

## **SONG 3: GOD IS BIG AND HE LOVES ME**