



## All Powerful – Lesson 5

### 2s and 3s

**Memory Verse:** Luke 18:27 “Things that are impossible with people are possible with God.”

**Key Point:** God is the only one who has the power to do miracles!

**Bible Verse:** John 11:17–44

### SCHEDULE:

#### Center Time

*around 10 minutes*

Help the individuals transition by actively engaging them from the beginning. Try setting up centers to color, play with blocks and Play-Doh, or do puzzles.

#### Memory Verse

Use the Memory Verse page and images to go over the memory verse by placing them in the correct order on the board (personal or pocket chart).

#### Coloring Sheet

#### Big Group Time

#### Lesson

- Read through the lesson below. For a shortened version, just read the bolded words.
- Within the lesson, there are numbers that correspond to the story point pictures. For example, (1) corresponds to the first story point and picture, and so on.
- Allow individuals to place pictures in sequential order on the table, floor, or in a pocket chart if available.
- Key Point

- Use the review questions to check for understanding.

#### Repeat Key Point & Memory Verse

*Use the activities below for repetition of the story points, key points, and memory verse.*

- Act out the Story.
- Bean Bag Toss: restate part of the story, memory verse, or key point when tossing.

#### Activity

#### Five Finger Gospel (optional)

### LESSON:

This is a story from John 11 in the Bible. **Jesus had some friends named Mary, Martha, and Lazarus** (1). Lazarus is a very dear friend of Jesus, but **one day, Lazarus gets very, very sick. Mary and Martha want him to get better so they send a message to Jesus** (2). When Jesus hears that Lazarus is sick, he says, “This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory. God’s Son will receive glory because of it.” Even though **Jesus** loves Mary, Martha, and Lazarus a lot, he **waits a few more days before going to see them** (3). **By the time Jesus gets to where Mary and Martha live, Lazarus has already died** (4).

Mary and Martha each go out to meet Jesus. Martha says to him, “Lord, if you had been here Lazarus would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask.” **Mary and Martha know that Jesus is all-powerful and could have kept Lazarus alive. But, now they are wondering why Jesus didn’t keep Lazarus from dying and heal him** (5) while he

was sick, like Jesus healed other people.

**Jesus says to Martha, “Your brother will rise again. I am the resurrection and the life.** He who believes in me will live forever even after dying on earth. **Do you believe this?** (6)” “Yes, Lord,” she tells him, “I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who has come into the world.”

**Jesus goes to the tomb where Lazarus is, and he tells the people, “Take away the stone. (7)” Martha says, “But Lord, by this time there will be a bad smell. Lazarus has been dead in the tomb for four days. (8)”** Then Jesus says to her, “Didn’t I tell you that if you believe you would see God’s glory?” So they open the tomb by rolling the stone away. Then, **Jesus looks up and says, “Father, I thank you for hearing me.** You always hear me, but I said this aloud so the people standing here will believe that you sent me.” Then Jesus says in a LOUD voice, **“Lazarus, come out! (9)”** Lazarus comes walking out with strips of linen around his hands and feet and a cloth around his face! **Jesus had raised Lazarus from death back to life (10).** It was another miracle!

**Key Point:** God is the only one who has the power to do miracles!

### Review Questions

1. What were the names of Jesus’ friends in the story? (Mary, Martha and Lazarus)
2. What happened to Lazarus? (He died)
3. What happened when Jesus told Lazarus to come out of the tomb? (Lazarus walked out, he was alive)
4. Who raised Lazarus from the dead? (Jesus!)
5. Who gives us life? (Jesus, God)
6. Who can we trust to take care of us? (Jesus!)

7. Who can do anything? (God; he is powerful!)

### ACTIVITY:

#### Lazarus Alive Again

##### Supplies

- Brown paper cup (one per child)
- 1” Gauze rolls (four per session)
- Jumbo popsicle sticks (one per child)
- Markers
- Elmer’s Glue

Give each child a brown paper cup and a 1-foot strip of gauze. Give them a jumbo popsicle stick and have them draw Lazarus’ face at the top. Have them roll the gauze around the popsicle stick and secure it with glue. Have them draw a half circle on the cup to resemble the opening of the tomb. Tell them to put Lazarus inside the cup. Then, remind them that in our Bible lesson today, Jesus came to Lazarus after he was already dead for several days. Ask the children, “When Jesus got to the tomb, what did he say?” Remind them that Jesus said “Lazarus, come out!”

\*\*\*Have fun and let them do the crafts themselves, as much as possible. This is a hands-on way for them to learn who God is and remember what they learn. It doesn’t matter if they place the label or stickers in the wrong spot. What matters is teaching them who God is. \*\*\*

#### In and Out of the Tomb

##### Supplies

Masking tape (one roll per bin)

Give each child a worksheet and use a crayon to trace his/her feet below the verse. Then, give the children scraps of blue cellophane and have them glue the scraps under the feet to represent Jesus’ walking on water. Remind them that Jesus didn’t say we should walk on water, but he does want us to have faith in him and his power to get us through anything and everything. Take some time to remind children of the miracles we’ve talked about the past few weeks.