

“What’s His Name?” - LESSON 3

“Mighty God”

Main Focus:

Jesus has great power
over darkness



Power Verse:

“O God, your ways are holy. Is there
any god as mighty as you?”
- Psalm 77:13



Whatchagaddaknow:

“Mighty, Mighty, Jesus Is Mighty!”



“The Spark” Intro Video

“Mighty, Mighty God!”



“Whatchagaddaknow” Video

Alexis teaches “Whatchagaddaknow”



Character Skit

“Joy The Wrapper”



Offering Time



Game Time!

“Mitten Madness”



Bible Story

“Angel Speaks To Mary”



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Call To Action

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REWIND!

Review Game



Small Group Experience

LEADER’S INFO

There are a lot of BIG problems in this world. Every day we face powerful situations - sickness, family problems, fear, sinful habits, and so many more.

In this lesson, the children will learn that Jesus is a MIGHTY GOD. He can help us with any situation we face. Jesus is more mighty than anything that comes our way. The power of God is greater than anything.

The children will learn in the Bible Story about how God did the impossible by using Mary to give birth to Jesus, the Savior of the world.

The children will learn that God can do the impossible in their lives, too. All they have to do is call on Him and have faith in Him, and He will do the impossible in their lives! We serve a MIGHTY GOD.

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Lesson 3 Materials Needed:

“The Spark” Intro Video

- “Lesson 3 - The Spark” Intro Video

“Whatchagaddaknow” Teaching Video

- “Lesson 3 - Whatchagaddaknow - Teaching” Video

- “Lesson 3 - Whatchagaddaknow - Trigger” Video

Character Skit

- “Joy The Wrapper” Theme Graphic/Music

- Joy Costume

- Wrapping Paper And Accessories

Offering Time

- “Offering Time” Bumper Video

Game Time!

- “Game Time!” Bumper Video

- “Mitten Madness” Graphic

- Two Pair Of Oven Mitts

- Two Wrapped Gifts

- A Table

Bible Story

- “Lesson 3 - Bible Story” Graphics

Power Verse Video

- “Lesson 3 - Power Verse” Video

Call To Action

- “Lesson 3 - Call To Action” Graphics

- Small Table

- Cup Of Milk

- Spoon

- Chocolate Syrup

- Small Weight

REWIND!

- “Rewind!” Bumper Video

- “Lesson 3 - Rewind!” Graphics

Small Group Experience

- Pipe Cleaners

- Power Verse Print Pieces

- Large Envelopes

- Psalm 77:13 Print Piece

- Pencils, Crayons, Or Markers



Introduction to “The Spark” Intro Video

Leader: Hey kids! Today, we are continuing our series, “What’s His Name?” It’s ALL about Christmas! We are learning about an important prophecy all about the day Jesus would be born. It contains lots of names used to describe Jesus. So far we learned that Jesus is WONDERFUL, COUNSELOR. The next name Isaiah used to describe Jesus was MIGHTY GOD!

I have a question - who would you say is more mighty: Batman or Superman? *(allow response)* Spiderman or the Hulk? *(allow response)* Me or ____ *(name of another adult the children know)? (allow response)* Well, those people are all pretty mighty - especially ____ *(name of the other adult)*. But today, we’re learning about someone more MIGHTY than anyone else - Jesus.

Jesus was so mighty, Isaiah prophesied about Him saying He was Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God! But before we get any further...I want you to check out this video!

(play “The Spark” Intro Video)

Leader: In your lesson, today, you are going to learn all about Jesus Is...MIGHTY GOD! Jesus can help us when we don’t know what to do! He can guide us and help us do the right thing in any situation we face! But, right now, let’s check in to find out “Whatchagaddaknow?”

(play “Whatchagaddaknow - Teaching” Video)

CHARACTER SKIT

Character: “Joy the Wrapper” *(Joy is an extreme Christmas wrapper - she really gets into her package wrapping! She’s a perfectionist and is here to get the job done. She dresses in festive Christmas attire, including a “toolbelt” full of Christmas wrapping supplies.)*

Joy: *(Offstage)* NOOOO! MY PRECIOUS PAPER! *(Joy bursts onstage, tangled in wrapping paper like a Christmas mummy)* I’m okay! Nobody panic! The paper panicked... I didn’t!

Leader: *(Trying not to laugh)* Hi, Joy. Rough start today?

Joy: Rough? This morning I wrestled a roll of wrapping paper and LOST. Look at me! I’m basically a limited-edition Christmas burrito.

Leader: How did you get all wrapped up?

Joy: I was practicing wrapping faster! I’m trying to break my record — 27 presents in 10 minutes. But then the paper fought back... and apparently it won.

Leader: Well, you certainly look... festive.

Joy: Thank you! I call this look “Panic at the North Pole.” I guess this wrapping paper is stronger than it looks.

Leader: You know, Joy, today we’re talking about something else that is super strong.

Joy: Really? I’m not sure I’ve met anything stronger than this wrapping paper. *(Wiggling)* I think I need a pair of super-scissors!

Leader: Joy, today we’re talking about how God is mighty.

Joy: *(Stops wiggling)* Mighty? Like... superhero mighty? Thor’s hammer mighty? Lift-a-car-with-one-hand mighty?

Leader: Stronger than all of that.

Joy: *(Gasps)* Is God strong enough to untangle me from this wrapping paper? Because... this is a situation.

Leader: He is definitely strong enough to do that! God is mighty in ways we can’t even imagine. His power is greater than anything we face.

Joy: *(Trying to yank paper off unsuccessfully)* I sure hope so, because the tape on my elbow is basically cemented on.

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CHARACTER SKIT

(continued)

Leader: Seriously! God is stronger than darkness, fear, evil, and anything we will ever go through.

Joy: Wait... even stronger than... *(whispers loudly)* GLITTER?

Leader: Yes, Joy.

Joy: Impossible. Glitter has destroyed entire carpets.

Leader: Joy, God is mighty because He has power over EVERYTHING. Nothing is too big, too scary, or too confusing for Him. When life gets tough, we can call on Him, and He hears us.

Joy: So, when I’m scared, confused, or tangled... *(Struggles and spins)* ...really tangled, I can ask Jesus for help?

Leader: Yes, Joy. Always!

Joy: Wow! How do I ask for His help when I need it?

Leader: It’s easy – you just pray! Nothing is too big or too small for God. He can handle the most complicated challenges, and He cares about every part of our lives. No matter what you’re going through, you can bring it to our Mighty God, and He will come through every time!

Joy: Even this time? Let me try! *(Prays to be free from the wrapping paper)* Hmm... It didn’t happen immediately, but I think I feel the paper becoming weaker! Maybe God will provide those super-scissors on my way home! I’d better go check... I’m Joy the Wrapper. Merry almost Christmas, everyone. Keep on wrapping!



GAME TIME!

“Mitten Madness”

Items Needed For Game:

Two pair of oven mitts; two wrapped gifts; a table

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Preparation:

Choose one boy and one girl to compete in this game. Wrap two gift boxes to look close to the same.

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How To Play:

Each player has to put oven mitts on both hands. When the leader says “Go,” the players must attempt to unwrap the present on the table in front of them. Whichever player completely unwraps their present first using **ONLY** their “mitten” hands wins!



Bible Story

“Angel Speaks To Mary”

Materials Needed:

The Bible Story graphics for Lesson 3; begin with the slide that says “Bible Story”; follow the instructions below, changing the slides to follow along with the story (*as shown*)

Preparation:

Familiarize yourself with the passage in Luke 1:26-37; have your open Bible in your hands as you tell the story

The Story:

Today’s Bible Story is found in the book of Luke, chapter 1. (*show pic*) It was a regular night in a town called Nazareth and a girl named Mary was laying in her bed asleep.

The angel, Gabriel, appeared to Mary. (*show pic*) He spoke to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored of the Lord.” In other words, Gabriel was telling Mary, “Hello. You are someone who is very special to God. He thinks very highly of you.”

Mary was totally confused and a little scared. I think all of us would be a little scared if this happened to us. The angel, Gabriel went on to tell Mary that God had chosen HER to be the mother of His Son. The Holy Spirit was going to place a baby in her tummy, and she was going to give birth to the Savior of the world!

(*show pic*) Mary was shocked. “How can this be?” she asked the angel. Mary knew that she was just an ordinary girl. How could SHE give birth to the King of Kings - the Savior of the world? In fact, Mary knew that she was a virgin and that she wasn’t even married yet. She was so confused as to how any of this could actually happen.

(*show pic*) The angel said, “Nothing is impossible with God. The power of God will cause this all to happen. You will give birth to the Son of God.” Now, Mary could have argued with the angel. Mary could have chosen to NOT believe the angel.

Mary could have chosen many things in that moment. But Mary chose to believe that God was able to do the impossible. He is a MIGHTY GOD. So, she spoke to the angel and said, “I am the Lord’s servant. May everything you have said about me come true.” And then, the angel left.

Wow! Can you imagine how hard it must have been to believe that this was actually happening? You and I would have a really hard time believing that such a MIGHTY GOD would use someone like US to do something SO extraordinary. But you are going to learn in your lesson today that if you have faith in God, He can do the impossible!





Call To Action

“Mighty God”

Materials Needed:

The graphic slides for Lesson 3; small table; cup of milk; spoon; chocolate syrup; small weight

Preparation:

Begin with the slide titled “Lesson 3 - Call To Action - Title”



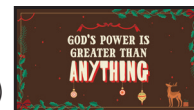
The Message: *(title slide)*

(hold up a glass of milk then place on a small table next to you) How many of you like milk? *(allow response)* *(hold up a bottle of chocolate syrup and pour into the cup of milk, then stir)* Or CHOCOLATE milk? *(allow response)* Some people say, “If you drink lots of milk, it will make your bones REAL strong!” *(take a sip of the chocolate milk)* Ah...I feel stronger already!

How many of you have ever seen someone working out before? *(allow response)* Many people lift weights in order to get stronger. *(begin doing some curls with a small weight)* If you do this every day, you will eventually be stronger! *(put down the weight)*

Well, those things may make you stronger, but today, we’re talking about something that is even stronger and more mighty than you and I could ever be - no matter how much milk you drink or weights you lift. That’s right, we’re talking about the power of God!

God’s Power Is Greater Than Anything *(slide)*



Who are some people who are very strong and powerful? *(allow several kids to respond)* That’s right - those people are strong! But boys and girls, there is someone WAY stronger and WAY more powerful than your mom, dad, the Incredible Hulk, and Superman. That person is Jesus! When the prophet Isaiah described Jesus in his prophecy, he said He was Wonderful, Counselor, MIGHTY GOD. Jesus is MIGHTY! He is strong and able to help you in the toughest of situations. When you have a problem, all you have to do is ask Jesus.



There Are No “Ifs” With Jesus *(slide)*

Jesus will help you when you ask! It’s not IF he can help - it’s THAT He will help! Jesus WILL take care of you! Some people in this world we can’t always depend on. They help us IF they’re having a good day, IF they have the time, or IF they are able to. But that’s not how it is with Jesus. Jesus WILL help you! He always has the time and He is always able!

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Call To Action *(Continued)*

With Jesus, Nothing Is Impossible *(slide)*



When you have a need, all you have to do is ask him. Have faith in Jesus and He will do the impossible! You don't have to be super strong or smart. You don't have to be super popular and rich. All you have to do is believe - have faith - that Jesus is a MIGHTY GOD and He will help you!

Whatever you may be facing in your life - Jesus can help you. It doesn't matter how big it may be - sickness, family problems, fear, a sinful habit - Jesus is more powerful than any of those things. With a MIGHTY GOD on your side and a little bit of faith, you can see the impossible in your life!

ALTAR RESPONSE: *(play soft music)*

Pray for any children who have an impossible need. Pray that they would always remember that God is on their side and He is MIGHTY! Pray that they would have faith in Jesus and that God would do the impossible in their lives.



REWIND!

Materials Needed:

“REWIND!” Lesson 3 Graphics; “REWIND!” Bumper Video

Preparation:

Play the “REWIND!” Bumper Video; Begin with the slide titled “REWIND!”; there is a slide for each question

1. Whatchagaddaknow today?

Answer: “Mighty, Mighty, Jesus Is Mighty!”

2. What was the name of the girl in our Bible Story?

Answer: Mary

3. Who came to speak to Mary?

Answer: The Angel, Gabriel

4. What did Gabriel tell Mary?

Answer: She was pregnant with Jesus

5. What words did we learn about today that Isaiah used to describe Jesus?

Answer: Mighty God

6. According to our lesson today, “God’s _____ Is Greater Than Anything.”

Answer: Power

7. According to our lesson today, “There Are No “_____” With Jesus.”

Answer: Ifs

8. According to our lesson today, “With Jesus, _____ Is Impossible.”

Answer: Nothing

9. True Or False: Jesus is a weak God.

Answer: False

10. Where was our Power Verse found?

Answer: Psalm 77:13