



At-A-Glance: Ages 4-5
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation
Unit 6, Lesson 28

A Letter About Weakness

Lesson Aim: To know we are weak, but God is strong.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

WHISPER VERSE AND SIGN LANGUAGE: "God is mighty."

THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO SHOWS US

Sing Bible Memory Verse and other related songs.

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the Holy Spirit who shows us we are weak, but God is strong. Let's sing a song to help us remember that. Sing: "Jesus Loves Me" or "I Can Do Everything."

Even though we are weak, Jesus is mighty. Let's say our Whisper Verse and then we can sing it! Review the Whisper Verse together: "God is mighty." Include sign language. Sing: "He Is Mighty to Save."

One way we can thank God for being mighty is by giving our offering. Let's listen to our new Bible Memory Verse Song as we give our offering to Him. Play the Unit 6 Bible Memory Verse Song, "Behold, I Am Coming Soon," as the offering is collected.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

Today's letter from Paul says he did not have fancy words when he told others about Jesus. The Holy Spirit used His words to show them who Jesus was and what He had done. It is not by our own might or power that we help point people to Jesus, it is by the Holy Spirit's power! Sing: "Not By Might." You can tell Bible stories and show others Jesus loves them. The Holy Spirit will help you.

THE WORD GOD'S POWER AND OUR WEAKNESS CLASSROOM PROMISE

In the Bible, there are special letters written by believers to people like you and me. Last time, we learned to keep our eyes on Jesus. In today's letter, we will learn we are weak, but God is strong.

SPECIAL DELIVERY: 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-3, 5

Let's open the Special Delivery Mailbag to find this week's letter.

Child opens mailbag, removes the Bible, and hands it to you. Read the letter.

Dear brothers and sisters in the family of God,

When I came to you, I didn't come with fancy words or great wisdom. I preached to you the truth about God's love. I made up my mind to pay attention to only one thing while I was with you. That one thing was Jesus Christ. When I came to you, I was weak and afraid and trembling all over. As I preached, the Holy Spirit showed His power. That was so you would believe not in human wisdom but in God's power.

Love, Paul

When Paul visited his friends to tell them about Jesus, was he weak or strong? (Weak.) Let's find our answer in today's letter from the Bible. Read the answer from today's New Testament Letter. **Who is mighty? (God.) Our Whisper Verse tells us the answer. Let's say it together: "God is mighty."** Include the sign language or hand motions.

Our symbol for this letter about God's power and our weakness is a heavy weight. Invite a child to reach into the mailbag to find today's symbol (a small barbell or weight). **When we are weak, it's easy to see how strong God is!**

PASS THE POWER: Ask the question below and give the barbell to a child who has raised his or her hand. The child gives his or her answer and then gives the barbell to another child whose hand is raised.

- **What have you seen that shows you God's power?**

THE WAY WE ARE WEAK, BUT HE IS STRONG

CRAFT: Mighty God Fan

GAMES: Caring for Baby, A Mighty Relay

SNACK: Mighty Bites

CIRCLE OF PRAYER

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- COMPLETED CRAFT
- PONDER, PRAY & PLAY
- COLOR THIS STORY

GOT TIME?

GAMES: More Letter Games, Bible Books Dance

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Down from Heaven, Through the Clouds

STORY TIME