

# SUMMER FRIENDSHIP GATHERINGS

## 2024 SUMMER FRIENDSHIP GATHERING

### OBJECT LESSON, DAY 2 – GOD’S POWER

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- The theme for this summer is, “**HE IS WORTHY.**”
- **Object Lesson – Day 2:** Demonstrate a glimpse of what God’s power looks like using sticks and a log.
- **Props to use:**
  - Several small twigs/sticks that can be easily broken
  - A large log

#### Object Lesson Script

- These past two days we have seen the Israelites going through hard times. We learned that many of the hardships they encountered seemed impossible.
- But we also learned that God’s power is greater than anything they could have ever imagined!
- Today we are going to demonstrate just a glimpse of what God’s power looks like with these sticks and this huge log. **(Hold up a bunch of sticks and show the log).**



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## OBJECT LESSON, DAY 2 CONTINUED

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- God has power over His whole creation: the weather, the rulers of nations, and the hearts of people. He has power over everything, and there is nothing He can't do. There is nothing that is impossible for God!
- We have seen God's powerful love for His people when He parted the water so the Israelites could walk across on dry ground.
- God's powerful love caused that same water to fall back over the entire Egyptian army and not one of them survived.
- Now let's look at these sticks. I can easily break this one stick. **(Hold up a stick and snap it in half)** I could probably break a couple of sticks. **(Hold up two sticks and break them in half)**
- I think I am strong enough to break three sticks! **(Hold up three sticks and break them in half)**
- **(As you are demonstrating breaking the sticks you may want to invite some friends to come up and break the sticks.)**
- Hmm. I wonder if I have enough power to break this bunch of sticks. **(Try to break the sticks.)** Nope
- How about this huge log. Do you think I can break this in half? **(Give a little time for their response)** Of course not. That would be impossible. My power, my strength, is limited.
- But God's power is not limited. He can do anything. The Bible says in Mark 10:27 *"With man it is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."*

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- Have you ever seen a tornado? Or watched one on TV? A tornado can break giant trees in half, like the size of this log. It can lift roof tops off buildings, and even spin trucks in the air like a leaf. Now that's power.
- God's power can be seen in nature. It is God who controls the weather and all of creation.
- Do you remember what the Israelites did when the army was chasing them up to the edge of the Red Sea? They were in an impossible situation. But they cried out for God to save them.
- Not only did God save His people from the Egyptian army by parting the Red Sea. He provided guidance for them with the pillar of cloud by day and fire by night.
- And...God's power gave His people food and water every day for 40 years. If it weren't for God's power the Israelites would have starved.
- God's power can help us today too! God's healing power can help when we are sick or hurting. His power can protect us when we are afraid. He will comfort us when we are sad or lonely.
- He brings us peace when we are angry and unable to forgive. It's God's mighty power that even brings us here together today!  
Because of God's powerful love we want to proclaim, "He is Worthy of all our praise and worship."

