

# Passing the Power Test

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### Review

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**Key Scriptures:** Genesis 41:8–40; 1 Peter 5:5–6

### Discuss

1. What is power and where does it come from?
2. What does it mean to have a wrong desire for power? What is a right desire for power?
3. Read 1 Peter 5:5. Why does God resist the proud?
4. How would you describe humility? What does it look and sound like?
5. Read John 2:23–25. How did Jesus handle people's praise of Him?
6. Have you experienced success or authority in an area? How did you respond?
7. Think of someone you admire. How do they handle success or power?
8. What are some negative ways you have seen people respond to power or authority?
9. How can power help people? How can it hurt people?
10. What is the Holy Spirit saying to you through this message?

### Takeaway

As we conclude, remember the following:

- All power comes from God.
- Power comes from humility.
- God gives power to help people.

### Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Your Son, Jesus, to show us the path of humility and servanthood. Show us any areas of pride or areas where we may need to repent and come into alignment with You. Help us give You all the glory in every area You have allowed us to succeed. We set our hearts to seek Jesus, the highest prize of all. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

### **Leader Tip**

One of the best ways to get to know those in your group is by hearing each other's stories. Consider making time at the end of each group or setting aside one whole group meeting to hear one another's life stories. You can allow each person 3–5 minutes to tell their stories, how they came to know Jesus, and how they found your group. This creates a powerful atmosphere for vulnerability and connection.

### **Group Dynamics Idea**

This message about being humble when God gives us power is a great springboard to discuss how to serve others as a group. There may be people in your neighborhood who need help or local food banks where you can serve. Brainstorm ways your group can make an impact in your community through servant leadership.