

POWER TRIP: PART 3

Before their mission trip is over, Liz and his friends discover a great way to draw people closer to God.

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: Why love is better.

1. [1 John 4:18](#) talks about the relationship between fear and love. What are you afraid of? Could you ever love something you were afraid of?
2. Before he left the earth, Jesus told his disciples to “go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you” ([Matthew 28:18-20](#)). What do you think is the best way to share Jesus with others?

Memory Verse

¹⁸ A real love for others will chase those worries away. The thought of being punished is what makes us afraid. It shows we have not really learned to love.

1 John 4:18

After You Listen

In today's episode, Spike learns that showing God's love to people leads them to Jesus more effectively than scaring or shaming them. The islanders are interested in learning more about God because the missionaries comforted and cared for them during and after the storm.

In the early church there was a woman named Dorcas. The Bible says that Dorcas was, “always doing good and helping the poor.” After she died, people were very sad. Dorcas made God real by taking care of people around her. In this way, she led many people to Jesus ([Acts 9:36-42](#)).

Telling people that God is going to judge them for their sins is true. But it doesn't seem to lead many people to God. If scaring people about God doesn't work, what does? Serving others, caring for others, and showing people what God's love looks like—like Dorcas did. All of these actions make people curious about God.

Want to dig deeper about leading people to God? Read all of [1 John 4](#) as a good summary of all three Power Trip episodes.

Challenge

Do you know someone who needs to know God? What can you do to show God's love to that person today? Think of a specific person. Write down ideas of ways you can draw that person closer to God through your actions. Pray and talk to God about your ideas. Ask for his help—and then do it!

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: What does Spike discover hidden in the jungle?

Answer: The building supplies that have been disappearing.

Question 2: What does his discovery prove?

Answer: That the Elder has been behind all the strange happenings at the building site.

Question 3: What does Spike want to do with the news that a storm is coming to the island?

Answer: He wants to tell the islanders that the storm is a warning from God to stop worshipping idols.

Question 4: What do Liz and his friends do instead?

Answer: They show love to the islanders, reminding them of God's promises and helping them clean up after the storm.

Question 5: What happens when the Elder tries to banish them?

Answer: The islanders stick up for the missionaries because they showed love and they told about God's promises instead of using threats to scare them.
