

Believing God's Promise

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Song starts out--- **There is a Tap dancing cow upstairs 1.05-1.38 seconds.** (Only use the cow mooing or just pretend to moo.) Woody is dressed in a cow outfit and starts out in the back of the room making his way to Charlie.

Charlie---Help me! Call the cow squad.

Woody---Hey, it's just me, you silly goof.

Charlie---If it's you, then why are you dressed like a cow?

Woody—Well, I thought that you would never ask.

Charlie---What in the world would cause you to do this, Woody?

Woody---It's easy. Does faith taste like ice cream?

Charlie---Now that is really a dumb question. What is up with you today?

Woody---Just take your shoes off, pray awhile and have a little faith.

Charlie---I refuse to take off my shoes.

Woody---Okay, be that way, but faith is taking the first step when you don't see the whole staircase.

Charlie—We don't have a staircase, so now what? And what does this have to do with you wanting to be a want-to-be cow?

Woody---That is an easy answer. If we have faith we can move mountains. If I'm a cow, I can mooooooo mountains.

Charlie---You are about the silliest puppet I know. You should also know that distance has no barrier with the power of God.

Woody---You mean that my prayers for people far away have great power?

Charlie---Well, I just learned in Matt 17:20 it says “Truly I tell you, If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, move from here to there, it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.”

Song starts “Faith is a Mustard Seed” .32—135 seconds. Woody and Charlie pass out the mustard seeds to the kids while song is playing.

Charlie—So this is just like the story Jesus healing the nobleman’s son.

Woody---Yea that's it. The nobleman’s faith was based on his feelings. He did not believe that Jesus could heal his son unless Jesus came with him. We know this because he was begging for help, which is rooted in fear. Faith never begs. Faith comes from hearing

the Word.

Charlie---There is also no distance or time in prayer. Whether Jesus left with the nobleman or stayed in Cana was unimportant. All that was necessary was for the nobleman to accept the Word of Jesus as truth and act on it.

Woody----And the moral of this story, Jesus said, “Go! Your son will live.”

Song plays “Standing on the Promises”

The End