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MY LITTLE PONY 5

Princess Spike

Episode 5##

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PRINCESS SPIKE

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Spike is feeling a little out of sorts. All around him, friends are advancing. Twilight is a princess now, and the other five are Guardians of Friendship. And Spike is still...lowly old Spike. “Must be fun to be a princess,” he muses, wandering through the empty castle.

Suddenly, Princess Celestia enters with a majorly stressed-out Twilight. She has been in charge of organizing a major diplomatic conference in Canterlot (think ComicCon, with hundreds of panels and meetings and events) and has become so overwhelmed she has started to shut down. Celestia tells Spike that she needs to get back to the conference, so it is up to him to ensure that Twilight has a day of completely uninterrupted sleep. Spike the faithful friend says he will make sure nothing disturbs Twilight. And that’s exactly what he does. When ponies show up – the gardener, a pony seeking Twilight’s advice about an issue he’s having with a friend, Pinkie Pie wanting to run a new song by her – Spike dutifully sends them all away. But when an issue comes up that requires an immediate answer from Princess Twilight, he is trapped between a rock and hard place. So...he makes a command decision of his own.

At first, he’s terrified that he’s done something wrong – what if Twilight would have answered differently? But when his decision leads to a good outcome, he starts to feel oddly exhilarated. It is fun to be a princess! When another decision requires an answer, he does so without hesitation “by order of the princess.” Soon, the power goes to his head and he starts making decisions nopony has asked for. One of his decrees – “by order of the princess” – sets off a chain reaction of events that leads to the Canterlot Express comically running off the rails...and right into Sugarcube Corner. Ponyville is in shambles thanks to his ego.

Spike realizes he is in way over his head and wakes Twilight from her sleep. He knows he’s about to give her a whole heap more stress, but it’s his only option: magic is the only thing that can fix this problem. He explains what’s happened, and how he let himself lose control because it was fun to not be “lowly old Spike” for awhile. Twilight says, “You’ll never be lowly old Spike. I wouldn’t be who I am without you.” But she’s still not going to fix his problem for him. He has to accept responsibility for his actions. And so, tail between his legs, Spike tells the angry citizens of Ponyville what he’s done in a heartfelt speech. But they don’t want to hear it! They want revenge! Twilight calms the crowd, saying Spike is their friend and has done so many great things for Ponyville since he first moved there. He made a mistake and is sorry for it, and now it’s time for the community as a whole to learn to forgive him.

Spike straps on a back brace and gets to work right away to show how contrite he is. Slowly, reluctantly, the other townspoonies start to chip in. As they rebuild Ponyville, the spirit of forgiveness takes hold. Everyone gets into the spirit...until Derpy knocks over a beam and reduces their efforts back to rubble.