
and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

2 Peter 1:3 His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

2 Peter 1:4 Through these he has given us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may escape the corruption that is in the world caused by evil desires.

1 Corinthians 10:13 (RSV) No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Philippians 4:11 (RSV) Not that I complain of want; for I have learned, in whatever state I am, to be content. ¹² I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound; in any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and want. ¹³ I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

2 Corinthians 3:4-6 such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God, not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us. Our competence comes from God who has made us competent to be ministers of the new covenant...

The power of the gospel

1 Corinthians 1:18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to those who are being saved it is the power of God.

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The Omnipotence of God

The Character of God—part 9

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■ God is omnipotent: God is All-_____.

Jeremiah 32:17 Ah, Lord God, it is you who have made the heavens and the earth by your great power. Nothing is too hard for you.

God's power is seen in ...

1. In _____the World.

■ *Isaiah 40:29 Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary.*

2. In _____Life.

■ *Acts 17:25 He is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else*

Acts 17:28 In him we live and move and have our being.

3. In _____People.

■ *Colossians 1:9 (RSV) And so, from the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,*

¹⁰ *to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.*

¹¹ *May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with*

joy,¹² giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

¹³ He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Paradox #1 of God's power

2 Corinthians 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God, and not to us.

2 Cor. 12:9 But he said, "My power is sufficient for you for my power is displayed in weakness." Therefore, I will gladly boast about my weakness so that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

Paradox #2 of God's power

Power to those who give up _____.

Isaiah 40:31 But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will mount up with wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not grow faint.

John 15:5 "... apart from me you can do nothing."

Proverbs 15:22 (RSV) Without counsel plans go wrong, but with many advisers they succeed.

Power to those who step out in _____.

Judges 6:11 (RSV) Now the angel of the LORD came and sat under the oak at Ophrah, which belonged to Jo'ash the Abiez'rite, as his son Gideon was beating out wheat in the wine press, to hide it from the Mid'ianites.

¹² And the angel of the LORD appeared to him and said to him, "The LORD is with you, you mighty man of valor."

¹³ And Gideon said to him, "Pray, sir, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this befallen us? And where are all his wonderful deeds which our fathers recounted to us, saying, 'Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?' But now the LORD has cast us off, and given us into the hand of Mid'ian."

¹⁴ And the LORD turned to him and said, "Go in this might of yours and deliver Israel from the hand of Mid'ian; do not I send you?"

¹⁵ And he said to him, "Pray, Lord, how can I deliver Israel? Behold, my clan is the weakest in Manas'seh, and I am the least in my family."

¹⁶ And the LORD said to him, "But I will be with you, and you shall smite the Mid'ianites as one man."

Standing on God's promises

James 5:16 Confess your sin to one another and pray for one another that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effect.

2 Chronicles 16:9 For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

Acts 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem,
