

How does the Word of God define the mighty power of God in creation? Jeremiah 32:17, "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You."

Psalms 19:1, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork."

Romans 1:20, "For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that we are without excuse."

1 Chronicles 29:11, "Yours, O LORD, *is* the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all *that is* in heaven and in earth *is Yours*; Yours *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all."

Jeremiah 10:12, "He has made the earth by His power, He has established the world by His wisdom, and has stretched out the heavens at His discretion."

Therefore:

Revelation 4:11, "You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created."

Do I realize the immense power of God, and as such, that we must worship "The Great I Am", our Creator and Savior?

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How is the sovereignty of God displayed over His creation?

Psalm 135:6, "Whatever the LORD pleases He does, in heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deep places."

Why?

Colossians 1:16, "For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers."

As such:

Matthew 19:26, "With God all things are possible."

Proverbs 19:21, "Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails."

Ephesians 1:11, "In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will."

Clearly, inasmuch as mankind might boast of their powers, which they mostly display for evil, God's power is limitless and He is sovereign over all His creation.

The reason why:

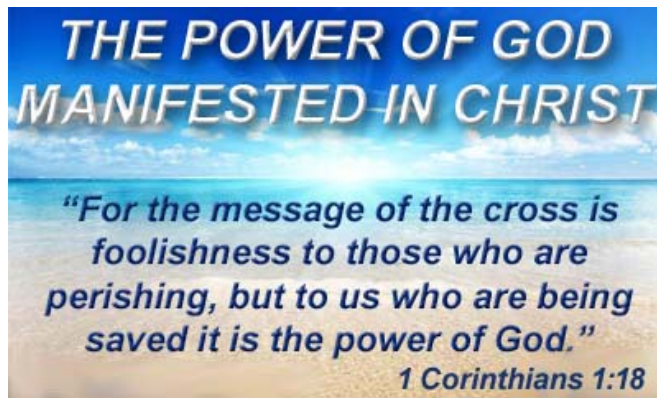
Revelation 11:17, "We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was and who is to come, because You have taken Your great power and reigned."

Therefore:

Isaiah 26:4, "Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the Rock eternal."

Is my faith and trust in the Almighty and Sovereign God, or do I rather follow the deceived evil world?

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God's power was greatly exhibited in Christ, from the mighty miracles He did right up to His resurrection from the dead.

How?

Ephesians 1:19-21, "According to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated *Him* at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come."

As such:

Colossians 1:15, "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation."

Hebrews 1:3, "He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature, and He upholds the universe by the Word of His power."

2 Peter 1:3, "His divine power has given to us all things that *pertain* to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue."

And in Jesus' own words:

Matthew 28:18, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."

The reason why the apostle Paul said:

1 Corinthians 1:23-24, "We preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God."

Have I made Christ the Lord of my life?

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THE POWER OF GOD AT WORK IN A BELIEVER

*"I can do all things through Christ
who strengthens me."*

Philippians 4:13

Scripture tells us that rather than seeking power in this world, we should aim to become all that the Lord desires for us, through His power in Christ Jesus.

How then does God's power work in us?

Galatians 5:16, "Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh."

The purpose being:

Colossians 1:10-11, "That you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing *Him*, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy."

As such:

2 Peter 1:3, "His divine power has given to us all things that *pertain* to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue."

2 Corinthians 4:7, "We have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us."

2 Corinthians 10:4, "The weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds."

What's more?

2 Corinthians 12:9, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

Therefore:

Ephesians 6:10-11, "Be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes."

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THE POWER OF GOD GROUNDED IN FAITH

"The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, A refuge in times of trouble. And those who know Your name will put their trust in You; For You, Lord, have not forsaken those who seek You."

Psalm 9:9-10

We know that God's power in our lives will only be manifested if our faith is grounded in Christ, so as to live by His will for our lives no matter the circumstances.

How so?

Proverbs 16:3, "Commit your works to the LORD, and your thoughts will be established."

Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

Why?

Hebrews 11:6, "Without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."

1 John 5:4, "For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith."

What's more?

2 Timothy 1:7, "God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

As such:

Romans 1:17, "The just shall live by faith."

Therefore:

Ephesians 3:16-17, "I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith."

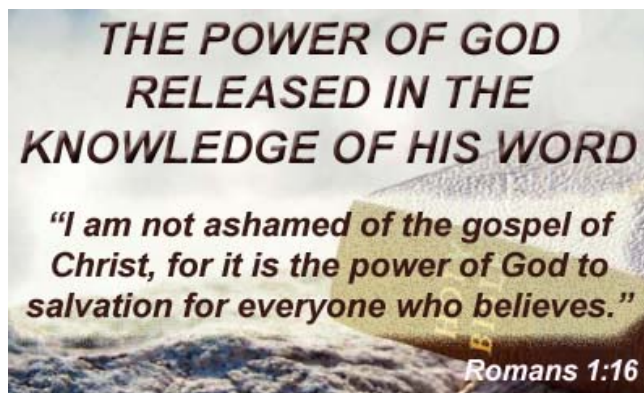
How?

1 Corinthians 16:13, "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong."

Is God's power manifested in my life through faith in Christ, and to the glory of God?

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Is there power in the Word of God?

Hebrews 4:12, "The Word of God *is* living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

As such:

Isaiah 55:11, "So shall My Word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* for which I sent it."

Matthew 4:4, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

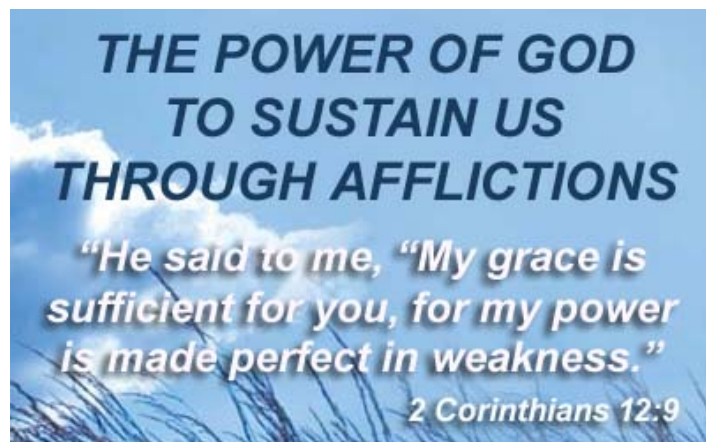
What's more?

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

Therefore:

James 1:21-22, "Lay aside all filthiness and overflow of wickedness, and receive with meekness the implanted Word, which is able to save your souls. But be doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

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The Lord never said we wouldn't face trials in this life. How then is God's power manifested as we face trials?

2 Corinthians 13:4, "For though He was crucified in weakness, yet He lives by the power of God. For we also are weak in Him, but we shall live with Him by the power of God."

As such:

Isaiah 40:31, "Those who wait on the LORD shall renew *their* strength."

What should our attitude then be?

Colossians 1:10-11, "Walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing *Him*, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy."

Why?

Romans 8:18, "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

What's more?

Ephesians 6:13, "Take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

Therefore:

2 Corinthians 4:16, "We do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward *man* is being renewed day by day."

2 Corinthians 12:9(b), "I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me."

How is that working for me right now?

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THE POWER OF GOD TO BE FEARED

***“His mercy is on those
who fear Him from
generation to generation.”***

Luke 1:50

Is there fear to be understood from the power of God?

Proverbs 8:13, “To fear the LORD is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech.”

Psalms 111:10, “The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments.”

Proverbs 14:27, “The fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life, to turn *one* away from the snares of death.”

Here’s what Jesus said on this:

Matthew 10:28, “Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.”

As such:

Psalms 86:11, “Teach me Your ways, O LORD, that I may live according to Your truth! Grant me purity of heart, so that I may honor You.”

Why?

Proverbs 16:6, “By the fear of the LORD *one* departs from evil.”

Proverbs 19:23, “The fear of the LORD *leads* to life, and *he who has it* will abide in satisfaction; he will not be visited with evil.”

Therefore:

Ecclesiastes 12:13, “Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the duty of all mankind.”

Proverbs 3:7, “Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and depart from evil.”

Philippians 2:12-13, “Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for *His* good pleasure.”

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THE POWER OF GOD IN ABIDING IN CHRIST

***“Abide in Me, and I in you.
As the branch cannot bear fruit
of itself, unless it abides in the
vine, neither can you, unless
you abide in Me.”***

John 15:4

How is Christ the power of God?

John 1:1, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”

How does the power of God work in the life of a true believer?

2 Corinthians 5:17, “If anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”

As such Jesus said:

John 6:63, “It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit, and *they* are life.”

The reason why:

John 20:31, “These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.”

1 John 5:11, “And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.”

What’s more?

1 Corinthians 6:17, “Whoever is united with the Lord is one with Him in spirit.”

Therefore:

Psalms 1:1-3, “Blessed *is* the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight *is* in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper.”

Does my life evidence the Spirit of Christ living in me?

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