

The POWER of GOD

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How can a little finite mortal describe the power of our Creator or the ability of our infinite God in all things? It is impossible to do it adequately, for God is so powerful and great and vast that our little minds at best cannot take it all in.

But God has revealed Himself in His Book, the Bible, adequately enough to give us a vast unfolding idea of His power to do ANYTHING thought by man to be impossible! He created our world and hung it out in space, and it has been hanging there for thousands of years on nothing but His sustaining power. He has been replenishing our earth's needs in spite of the destructive powers of both Satan and man.

Let us now take some glimpses into God's Word concerning His revelation of His absolutely unlimited power.

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GOD'S POWER TO CREATE

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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.

—Jeremiah 10:12

To whom then will you liken God?... It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers, who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent to dwell in.... “To whom then will you liken Me, or to whom shall I be equal?” says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high, and see who has created these things, who brings out

their host by number; He calls them all by name, by the greatness of His might and the strength of His power; not one is missing.

—Isaiah 40:18a, 22,25,26

“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.” —Jeremiah 32:17

God...has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds.

—Hebrews 1:1a, 2

GOD CREATES AND GIVES LIGHT; SATAN DESTROYS

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. “The thief [Satan] does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.” —John 1:1 and 3; 10:10a

And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.”
—Luke 10:18

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.
—1 Peter 5:8

“Therefore, since we are the off-

spring of God, we ought not to think that the Divine Nature is like gold or silver or stone, something shaped by art and man’s devising.”

—Acts 17:29

I do not want you to have fellowship with demons.

—1 Corinthians 10:20b

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”

—John 8:12

“I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.”
—John 10:10b

God has spoken once, twice I have heard this: that power belongs to God.
—Psalm 62:11

But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases. —Psalm 115:3

“Indeed before the day was, I am He; and there is no one who can deliver out of My hand.”
—Isaiah 43:13a

“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. Both riches and honor come from You,

and You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.” —1 Chronicles 29:11, 12

“O Lord GOD, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your mighty hand, for what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do anything like Your works and Your mighty deeds?”

—Deuteronomy 3:24

“For with God nothing will be impossible.” —Luke 1:37

You are the God who does wonders; You have declared Your strength among the peoples.

—Psalm 77:14

4 THE GREATNESS OF GOD'S INFINITE POWER

“Your right hand, O LORD, has become glorious in power; Your right hand, O LORD, has dashed the enemy in pieces. And in the greatness of Your excellence You have overthrown those who rose against You; You sent forth Your wrath which consumed them like stubble.”

—Exodus 15:6-7

Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite.

—Psalm 147:5

Nevertheless He saved them for His name's sake, that He might make His mighty power known.

—Psalm 106:8

You alone are the LORD; You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all things on it, the seas and all that is in them, and You preserve them all. The host of heaven worships You.

—Nehemiah 9:6

Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty.

—Psalm 104:1

Every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and His greatness is unsearchable.

—Psalm 145:2, 3

For so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. —2 Peter 1:11

“Trust in the LORD forever, for in YAH, the LORD, is everlasting strength.” —Isaiah 26:4

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God. —Psalm 90:2

But the LORD is the true God; He is the living God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will

tremble, and the nations will not be able to abide His indignation.

—Jeremiah 10:10

And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!”

—Revelation 11:15b

Satan's Power to Be Destroyed

And the devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. —Revelation 20:10

6 GOD'S AWESOME POWER AT THE RED SEA

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go back by a strong east wind all that night, and made the sea into dry land, and the waters were divided. So the children of Israel went into the midst of the sea on the dry ground, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the waters may come back upon the Egyptians, on their chariots, and on their horsemen." And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and when the morning

appeared, the sea returned to its full depth, while the Egyptians were fleeing into it. So the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. Then the waters returned and covered the chariots, the horsemen, and all the army of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them. Not so much as one of them remained. So the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Thus Israel saw the great work which the LORD had done in Egypt.

—Exodus 14:21,22,26-28,30, 31a

Fed a Million People 40 Years

“At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread. And you shall know that I am the LORD your God.” So it was that quails came up at evening and covered the camp, and in the morning the dew lay all around the camp. And when the layer of dew lifted, there, on the surface of the wilderness, was a small round substance, as fine as frost on the ground. So when the children of Israel saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” And the children of Israel ate manna forty

years, until they came to an inhabited land.

—Exodus 16:12b-15a and 35a

Water for a Million

“Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink.”

—Exodus 17:6a

Stopped the Flooded River

Then the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firm on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan; and all Israel crossed over on dry ground. —Joshua 3:17a

GOD IS SO GREAT A DELIVERER!

Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. And the satraps, administrators, governors, and the king's counselors gathered together, and they saw these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and

the smell of fire was not on them.

—Daniel 3:21, 22 and 27

So the king gave the command, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions. But the king spoke, saying to Daniel, “Your God, whom you serve continually, He will deliver you.” ... Then Daniel said to the king, “O king, live forever! My God sent His angel and shut the lions' mouths, so that they have not hurt me, because I was found innocent before Him; and also, O king, I have done no wrong before you.” —Daniel 6:16 and 21, 22

“Is not My word like a fire?” says the LORD, “And like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?”

—Jeremiah 23:29

For 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 discern-er of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

—Hebrews 4:12

How can a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed according to Your word.

—Psalm 119:9

“You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.”

—John 15:3

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

—Ephesians 6:17

“Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.”

—John 17:17

Holding fast the word of life.

—Philippians 2:16a

Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, “If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed.”

—John 8:31

Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You.

—Psalm 119:11

The entrance of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

—Psalm 119:130

10 JESUS CHRIST IS GOD IN THE FLESH

For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

—Colossians 2:9

“Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is translated, “God with us.” Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name Jesus.

—Matthew 1:23-25

But Jesus answered them, “My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.” Therefore

the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.

—John 5:17, 18

And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

—Romans 1:4

Christ's Blood Is God's Blood

“Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.”

—Acts 20:28

And from Jesus Christ “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,” says the Lord, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

—Revelation 1:5a and 8

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and translated us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 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. All things were created through Him and for Him.

—Colossians 1:13-16

That you keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power. Amen.

—1 Timothy 6:14-16

“And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me.” —John 12:45

Who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high. —Hebrews 1:3

And what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, 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. And He put all things under His feet. —Ephesians 1:19-22a

“I and My Father are one. Though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him.” —John 10:30 and 38b

“And has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.” —John 5:27

THE ALMIGHTY POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT 13

He Is Almighty, Is in the Godhead

For there are three who bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. —1 John 5:7

But Peter said, “Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself? While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God.” Then Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and breathed his

last. So great fear came upon all those who heard these things.

—Acts 5:3-5

He Filled Believers, Gave Boldness

And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness. —Acts 4:31

He Makes Divine Love Operate

Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

—Romans 5:5

Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since He ever lives to make intercession for them.

—Hebrews 7:25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.

—Jude 24

For this reason I also suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

—2 Timothy 1:12

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, have an abundance for every good work.

—2 Corinthians 9:8

God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

—Luke 3:8b

Abraham...did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, And being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform.

—Romans 4:16c and 20, 21

He is able even to subdue all things to Himself. —Philippians 3:21b

Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all of whose works are truth, and His ways justice. And those who walk in pride He is able to abase.

—Daniel 4:37

“If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king.” Then Nebuchadnezzar went near the mouth of the burning fiery furnace and spoke, saying, “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, servants

of the Most High God, come out, and come here.” . . . And they saw these men on whose bodies the fire had no power; the hair of their head was not singed nor were their garments affected, and the smell of fire was not on them. —Daniel 3:17 and 26a, 27b

For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

—Hebrews 2:18

Power Over Death

Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead.

—Hebrews 11:19a

And that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. —2 Timothy 3:15

Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand. —Romans 14:4

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world

without end. Amen.

—Ephesians 3:20, 21

“And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.”

—Acts 20:32

I say then, has God cast away His people? Certainly not! For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. And they also, if they do not continue in unbelief, will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again.

—Romans 11:1 and 23

If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared. —Psalm 130:3, 4

“If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

—2 Chronicles 7:14

“Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven you,’ or to say, ‘Arise, take up your bed and walk’? But that you may know

that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins”—He said to the paralytic, “I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go your way to your house.” And immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

—Mark 2:9-12

“And anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but to him who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven.” —Luke 12:10

18 CHRIST'S POWER TO HEAL THE SOUL

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. —2 Corinthians 5:17

“And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?” —John 11:26

And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.

—Hebrews 5:9

So that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

—Romans 5:21

But has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

—2 Timothy 1:10

For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

—2 Corinthians 4:11

“The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life... more abundantly.”

—John 10:10

Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was present to heal them.

—Luke 5:17

Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped.

—Luke 8:43, 44

Wherever He entered, into villages, cities, or the country, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged Him that they might just touch the border of His garment. And as many as touched Him were made well.

—Mark 6:56

When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sicknesses."

—Matthew 8:16, 17

20 POWER TO HEAL ALL KINDS OF SICKNESS

Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. —Matthew 8:3

And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. —Luke 13:13

And that very hour He cured many people of their infirmities, afflictions, and evil spirits; and to many who were blind He gave sight. —Luke 7:21

Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. So

when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. —Luke 17:12 and 14

Now when Jesus had come into Peter's house, He saw his wife's mother lying sick with a fever. And He touched her hand, and the fever left her. Then she arose and served them. —Matthew 8:14, 15

And one of them struck the servant of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus ... touched his ear and healed him.

—Luke 22:50, 51

And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened.

—Matthew 9:28-30a

Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, saying, "Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented." Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have

believed, so let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour. —Matthew 8:5-6 and 13

Then He said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." And he stretched it out, and it was restored as whole as the other. —Matthew 12:13

Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your bed and walk." And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked.

—John 5:5 and 8, 9a

22 NO DISEASE TOO STRONG FOR JESUS TO HEAL

Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church. And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up.
—James 5:14a, 15a

Now Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.
—Matthew 4:23

...and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went

out from Him and healed them all.
—Luke 6:17b-19

And begged Him that they might only touch the hem of His garment. And as many as touched it were made perfectly well.
—Matthew 14:36

Then great multitudes came to Him, having with them those who were lame, blind, mute, maimed, and many others; and they laid them down at Jesus' feet, and He healed them.
—Matthew 15:30

And great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them there.
—Matthew 19:2

And Jesus rebuked the demon, and he came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour.

—Matthew 17:18

And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, “You are the Christ, the Son of God!” And He, rebuking them, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ.

—Luke 4:41

When He had come to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two demon-possessed men, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that

no one could pass that way. And suddenly they cried out, saying, “What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?” Now a good way off from them there was a herd of many swine feeding. So the demons begged Him, saying, “If You cast us out, permit us to go away into the herd of swine.” And He said to them, “Go.”

—Matthew 8:28-32a

Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw.

—Matthew 12:22

Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother.

—Luke 7:14, 15

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live." Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus,

come forth!" And he who had died came out bound hand and foot with graveclothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Loose him, and let him go."

—John 11:23-25 and 43, 44

While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But He put them all out, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. —Luke 8:49 and 54, 55a

GOD'S RESURRECTION PROMISES

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“Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth.”

—John 5:25, 28, 29a

“And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

—John 6:40

“I have hope in God, which they themselves also accept, that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust.”

—Acts 24:15

Knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you.

—2 Corinthians 4:14

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

—1 Thessalonians 4:16

But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

—1 Corinthians 15:20, 22

Then Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."
—Matthew 28:18

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 they are without excuse.
—Romans 1:20

Who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him. —1 Peter 3:22

"He who comes from above is above all; he who is of the earth is

earthly and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all."
—John 3:31

'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens."'
—Revelation 3:7b

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, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature.
—2 Peter 1:3b, 4a

To Know All Things

“Nevertheless, lest we offend them, go to the sea, cast in a hook, and take the fish that comes up first. And when you have opened its mouth, you will find a piece of money; take that and give it to them for Me and you.” —Matthew 17:27

And [Jesus] had no need that anyone should testify of man, for He knew what was in man. —John 2:25

In the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

—Romans 2:16

To Miraculously Feed 5000

And they said to Him, “We have here only five loaves and two fish.” He said, “Bring them here to Me.” Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men; besides women and children.

—Matthew 14:17-21

To Walk on Water

Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. —Matthew 14:25

To Stop All Rain

These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.

—Revelation 11:6

To Calm the Storm and Sea

But He said to them, “Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?” Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea. And there was a great calm. —Matthew 8:26

To Walk Through a Wall

And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace to you!” —John 20:26

To Hold the Earth Together

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. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. —Colossians 1:16, 17

Knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him.

—Romans 6:9

But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

—Romans 8:11

“I am He who lives, and was dead... I am alive forevermore.”

—Revelation 1:18a

Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth! Sing out the honor of His name; make His praise glorious. Say to God, “How awesome are Your

works! Through the greatness of Your power Your enemies shall submit themselves to You. All the earth shall worship You and sing praises to You; they shall sing praises to Your name.”

—Psalm 66:1-4

Power in His Kingdom

For the kingdom of God is not in word but in power.

—1 Corinthians 4:20

“These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings.” —Revelation 17:14a

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Over All Life

“... You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.” —John 17:2

Earth Quaked When He Died

Jesus, when He had cried out again with a loud voice, yielded up His spirit. And the earth quaked.
—Matthew 27:50 and 51b

To Raise His Own Life Again

“Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I

have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father.” —John 10:17, 18

To Radiate Heavenly Glory

And [Jesus] was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became as white as the light.
—Matthew 17:2

To Return in Power and Glory

Jesus said to him, “It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven.”
—Matthew 26:64

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To Forgive Sins

“But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins” —then He said to the paralytic, “Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house.”

—Matthew 9:6

To Give Eternal Life

“My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish.”

—John 10:27, 28a

To Redeem Anyone

“...repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name

to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.” —Luke 24:47

To Purify Souls

Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

—Hebrews 13:12

To Make One an Overcomer

And the Lord will deliver me from every evil work and preserve me for His heavenly kingdom.

—2 Timothy 4:18a

To Keep One in the Faith

That your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

—1 Corinthians 2:5

Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth. —Philippians 2:9, 10a

But 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.

—John 20:31

“Teacher, we saw someone who does not follow us casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow

us.” But Jesus said, “Do not forbid him, for no one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me.” —Mark 9:38b, 39

“And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do.” —John 14:13a

Then Peter said, “Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.” And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. —Acts 3:6,7

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.
—Ephesians 1:7

“This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you.”
—Luke 22:20b

“And they overcame him [Satan] by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony.”
—Revelation 12:11a

Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the ever-

lasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.
Amen.
—Hebrews 13:20, 21

“These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”
—Revelation 7:14b

But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.
—1 John 1:7

Saying with a loud voice: “Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!” —Revelation 5:12

So the nations shall fear the name of the LORD, and all the kings of the earth Your glory. This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD. —Psalm 102:15 and 18

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may

proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. —1 Peter 2:9

Sing praises to the LORD, who dwells in Zion! Declare His deeds among the people. —Psalm 9:11

You who fear the LORD, praise Him! —Psalm 22:23a

Let the peoples praise You, O God; Let all the peoples praise You. Then the earth shall yield her increase; God, our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him. —Psalm 67:5-7

WHAT SHALL I DO TO HAVE ETERNAL LIFE? 35

“Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?” So He said to him, “... If you want to enter into life, keep the commandments.” He said to Him, “Which ones?” Jesus said, “ ‘You shall not murder,’ ‘You shall not commit adultery,’ ‘You shall not steal,’ ‘You shall not bear false witness,’ ‘Honor your father and your mother,’ and, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ ” The young man said to Him, “All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?” Jesus said to him, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you

have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.”

—Matthew 19:16b, 17a and 17c-21
Repent, Believe, Receive

Jesus came... saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.”

—Mark 1:14b, 15

He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name.

—John 1:10 and 12

36 CHRIST IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH, THE LIFE

For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. —John 1:17

Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”
—John 14:6

Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son.
—1 John 2:22

In Him [Jesus] was life, and the life was the light of men. —John 1:4

“Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because

narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.” —Matthew 7:13, 14

“For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself.” —John 5:26

“I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever.”
—John 6:51a

Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.”
—John 7:37b, 38

For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands...but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another—He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly

wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

—Hebrews 9:24-28

His Power to Take to Heaven

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

—Acts 4:12

His Power to Cast Into Hell

“And 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.”

—Matthew 10:28

38 CHRIST'S POWER TO SAVE TO THE UTMOST

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

—1 Timothy 1:15

For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes.

—Romans 1:16a

“But whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

—John 4:14

Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth to be a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed.

—Romans 3:24, 25a

Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your calling and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble.

—2 Peter 1:10

“Behold, I give you the authority...over all the power of the enemy....”

—Luke 10:19

Could Not Have Cost God More!

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”

—John 3:16

***Oh, the grace that brought
salvation to Man! The Lord of all
creation died for us all.***

Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.” And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, “Father, ‘into Your hands I commend My spirit.’ ” And having said this, He breathed His last.

—Luke 23:34a and 46

Free to Us for the Taking

And the Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let him who hears say, “Come” And let him who thirsts come. And whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.

—Revelation 22:17

***The Father loves the redeemed
Bride the same as He loves His
Son—no greater love.***

“I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.”

—John 17:23

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Confess Your Sins and Repent

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

—1 John 1:9

“Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.”

—Acts 3:19a

Believe on the Son of God

And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

—1 John 5:11, 12

“He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not

believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

—John 3:36

Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one’s slaves whom you obey, whether of sin to death, or of obedience to righteousness?

—Romans 6:16

And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God.

—Romans 6:13a

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.”

—Revelation 3:20

Love Instead of Fear

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

There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love.

—1 John 4:18

Love Instead of Hate

If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen? And this commandment we have from Him:

that he who loves God must love his brother also. —1 John 4:20, 21

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

—Galatians 5:22, 23

Faith Instead of Doubt

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

—Romans 8:35 and 37

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Loving Care, No Loneliness

Let your conduct be without covetousness, and be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." —Hebrews 13:5

For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. —Philippians 2:13

Peace Instead of Torment

For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. —Romans 8:6

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart

be troubled, neither let it be afraid."
—John 14:27

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
—Romans 5:1

True Riches, No Greediness

And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for ones life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."
—Luke 12:15

Listen, my beloved brethren: Has God not chosen the poor of this world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him? —James 2:5

Assurance, Not Uncertainty

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God. —1 John 5:13

Purity Instead of Perversion

Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart. —1 Peter 1:22

Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from

a good conscience, and from sincere faith. —1 Timothy 1:5

Divine Joy Instead of Sadness

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing. —Romans 15:13a

“These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full.” —John 15:11

“Therefore you now have sorrow; but I will see you again and your heart will rejoice, and your joy no one will take from you.” —John 16:22

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Strength Instead of Weakness

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

—Ephesians 6:10

He gives power to the weak, and to those who have no might He increases strength.

—Isaiah 40:29

Hope Instead of Pessimism

Looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ.

—Titus 2:13

That by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold

of the hope set before us. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil.

—Hebrews 6:18, 19

Honesty Instead of Cheating

Having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

—1 Peter 2:12

Truth Instead of Lying

“And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”

—John 8:32

Victory Instead of Defeat

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

And I saw. . . those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God.

—Revelation 15:2

Growth Instead of Infancy

As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby. —1 Peter 2:2

Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of

Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God. —Hebrews 6:1

But, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ.

—Ephesians 4:15

As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught. —Colossians 2:6, 7a

Produces Christlikeness

He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked. —1 John 2:6

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Strength in the Inner Man

That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man.

—Ephesians 3:16

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

—Philippians 4:13

Does Not Depend on Man's Wisdom

And my speech and my preaching were not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power.

—1 Corinthians 2:4

Power to Witness

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem...and to the end of the earth.”

—Acts 1:8

“And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him.”

—Acts 5:32

And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all.

—Acts 4:33

“I do not pray that You should take them out of the world, but that You should keep them from the evil one.”

—John 17:15

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

—Philippians 4:7

And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.”

—Luke 10:18, 19

“Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep

you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.”

—Revelation 3:10

“And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations.”

—Revelation 2:26

Be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

—Ephesians 6:10b, 11

... the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations.

—2 Peter 2:9a

Ours through faith; only our limitless God could fulfill them.

"And all things, whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."

—Matthew 21:22

"If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples."

—John 15:7, 8

Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us,

whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him.

—1 John 5:14, 15

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you."

—Matthew 7:7

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it."

—John 14:12-14

“Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.” –Mark 11:24

Delight yourself also in the LORD, and He shall give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the LORD, trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.

–Psalm 37:4, 5

So the Lord said, “If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”

–Luke 17:6

And my God shall supply all

your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

–Philippians 4:19

Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence toward God. And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight.

–1 John 3:21, 22

Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.”

–Mark 9:23

For all the promises of God in Him are Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us.

–2 Corinthians 1:20

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