

Jeremiah 32:17 (NASB) "Ah Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and by Your outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for You."

Luke 1:37 (NASB) "For nothing will be impossible with God."

First: The EVIDENCE of God's power.

Psalms 19:1-4a (NLT) "The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship. Day after day they continue to speak; night after night they make him known. They speak without a sound or word; their voice is never heard. Yet their message has gone throughout the earth, and their words to all the world."

Psalms 89:11-13 (NLT) "The heavens are yours, and the earth is yours; everything in the world is yours—you created it all. You created north and south. Mount Tabor and Mount Hermon praise your name. Powerful is your arm! Strong is your hand! Your right hand is lifted high in glorious strength."

Romans 1:19-20 (NLT) "They know the truth about God because he has made it obvious to them. For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God."

Ephesians 1:20 (LB) "I pray that you will begin to understand how incredibly great His power is to help those who believe Him - the same mighty power that raised Christ from the dead."

Second: The APPLICATION of God's power.

#1: The power to get STARTED.

Romans 7:18 (Phillips) "I often find that I have the will to do good, but not the power!"

Philippians 2:13 (Phillips) "For God is at work within you, giving you the will and the power to achieve His purpose."

#2: The power to KEEP GOING.

Psalms 6:2-3 (Phillips) "I am worn out, O Lord. Give me strength; I am completely exhausted, and my whole being is deeply troubled."

Ecclesiastes 2:11 (NLT) "I looked at everything I had tried, and it was all so useless, a chasing of the wind, and there was really nothing worthwhile anywhere."

Isaiah 40:28-31 (Good News) "The Lord is the everlasting God. He never grows tired or weary. He strengthens those who are weak and tired. Those who trust the Lord for help will find their strength renewed."

Isaiah 40:31 (NIV) "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings as eagles. They shall run and not be weary. They shall walk and not faint."

God's Omnipotence

Third: How to **APPROPRIATE** God's power.

1. You **ADMIT** your lack of power.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 (Phillips) "God said to me 'Where there is weakness, My power is shown more completely.' Therefore I have cheerfully made up my mind to be proud of my weaknesses, because they mean a deeper experience of Christ's power. For my very weakness makes me strong in Him!"

2. You **BELIEVE** in faith.

Hebrews 11:6 (NASB) "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 seek Him."

Mark 9:23 (NIV) "Everything is possible for him who believes"

Matt. 9:29 (NIV) "According to your faith it will be done to you."

3. You **SPEAK** in faith.

2 Corinthians 4:13 (Good News) "With that same spirit of faith, we also speak because we believe."

Proverbs 18:21 (NKJV) "Death and life are in the power of the tongue."

Proverbs 12:18 (NKJV) "There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, But the tongue of the wise promotes health."

4. You **ACT** in faith.

Hebrews 11:1 (NLT) "Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see."

2 Corinthians 12:9 (NLT) "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness."

Application:

Do you experience God's power:

Seldom Sometimes Always

Where would you say is your greatest weakness?

How do you believe God can work through your weakness?

Are you willing to trust God to work through you by His power?

What action do you need to take to demonstrate your faith in God?

Are you willing to step into the brink of your particular Jordan before the water recede?

What one thing have you learned about yourself and about God this morning?

What particular action of faith will you take this week to adjust your life to accommodate His power?

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