

The Power Of God – Zanga Schutte, April 19, 2026

The power of God is described as omnipotent, infinite, and immeasurable, representing an unstoppable force that **transcends human limitations to accomplish divine purposes**. It is manifested through creation, redemption, miracles, and the **strengthening of believers in times of weakness**.

John 1:1-4 NIV ¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.

John 1:14 NIV The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

That's The Power of God! The greatest display of God's power in Christianity is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It represents power over sin, death, and fear. He was obedient to his father even unto death on a cross...-He defeated Satan, -Overcame death -On the third day He rose from the grave. And now sits at the right hand of the throne of God interceding for us...This is the God who We serve today. **Amen**

God's Power - Psalm 29:10-11 NIV ¹⁰ The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD is enthroned as King forever. ¹¹ The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

Notes: Throughout history, God has revealed his power through mighty miracles over nature, such as the great Flood. (Noah) He promises to continue to reveal his power. The apostle Paul urged us to understand how great God's power is.

Ephesians 1:16-23 NIV ¹⁶ I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers.

¹⁷ I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. ¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

Notes: **The same power that raised Christ from the dead is available to help us with our daily problems.** When we feel weak and limited, don't despair. Remember that God can give us strength. The same power that controls creation and raises the dead **is available to us**.

How God's Power Works in Human Life: In Us...Grace and Strength. God's power is made perfect in human weakness, providing strength to believers, especially when they feel tired or stuck.

2 Corinthians 12:9-10 NIV ⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. ¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Notes: When we are strong in abilities or resources, we are tempted to do God's work on our own, and that can lead to pride. When we are weak, allowing God to fill us with *his* power, then we are stronger than we could ever be on our own. God does not intend for us to try to be weak, passive, or ineffective – life provides enough hindrances and setbacks without us creating them. When those obstacles come, we must depend on God. Only his power will make us effective for him and will help us do work that has lasting value.

Transformation: It empowers people to change habits, overcome fears, and live out their true purpose.

2 Corinthians 5:17 NIV Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

Notes: When we pledge our faith to Jesus Christ, we become brand-new people on the inside. The Holy Spirit gives us new life, and we are not the same people anymore. We are not reformed, rehabilitated, or reeducated – we are re-created, new creations living in vital union with Christ.

Colossians 2:6-7 NIV ⁶ So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, **continue to live your lives in him,** ⁷ **rooted and built up in him,** strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Notes: At conversion we do not merely turn over a new leaf; **we begin a new life under a new master.** While each individual becomes a new person, Paul is implying that much more actually occurs. Not only are believers changed from within, but a whole new order of creative power begins with Christ. **We have a new covenant, a new perspective, a new spirit, a new community.** We are not experiencing a superficial change that will quickly fade away. We are able to see an entirely new order of all creation under Christ's authority. **It requires a new way of looking at all people and all of creation.**

Romans 12:2 NIV Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. **Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is---his good, pleasing and perfect will.**

Activating Power: **Worship and Praise** are often cited as ways to activate or connect with God's power.

Acts 1:8 NIV But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Note: The power believers receive from the Holy Spirit includes **courage, boldness, confidence, insight, ability, and authority.** The disciples would need all these gifts to fulfill their mission. **If you believe in Jesus Christ, you have the power of the Holy Spirit in your life.** Ask God to fill you with these same gifts in order to fulfill his mission for you.

In Closing:

Romans 8:11 NIV **And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you,** he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Notes: The Holy Spirit is God's guarantee of eternal life for those who believe in him. **The Spirit resides within us now by faith, and by faith we are certain to live with Christ forever.**

That's The Power of God! Amen & Amen