

GOD'S POWER

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Today, we examine three Bible passages concerning **God's power**:

The Word. "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek." {Romans 1:16} God's word is the "dynamite" that convicts sinners of their need for Christ. Sinful man is not converted by gimmicks, or by preachers who are great orators, but by the pure gospel of Jesus Christ. Jesus told His disciples His word would convict the world of "sin, righteousness, and judgment." (John 16:8)

The Resurrection. "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} Jesus' resurrection from the dead supplied the crowning evidence of His Deity. This is why faithful Christians have such confidence at death. Christ overcame the grave, and so will we. His empty tomb should have silenced all doubters. Jesus was the first person to overcome the grave and never again die. Such power is difficult for men to understand and sadly, for many to accept. Nevertheless, it demonstrated the defeat of one of Satan's weapons {Hebrews 2:14,15}.

The Creation. "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} How can any honest person look at the world's order and design without acknowledging God's existence? Paul said that unbelievers are "without excuse;" the works of creation exhibit God's existence and power.

Yes, the Scriptures contain three simple facts denoting Divine power that man cannot equal. We serve a living and powerful God. By His word men can learn the condition of their souls and the danger of sin and the power of God to remove it by the blood of Christ, Ephesians 1:7. The Lord's resurrection gives us full assurance of our own victory over death, 1 Corinthians 15. The creation shows the order and intelligent design of the world. "You are God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world." {1 John 4:4} Amen! ***