

## Omnipotent

"Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure." ~ Psalm 147:5 (ESV) ~

The Bible is really clear about the power of God. He is not merely powerful – He is **all powerful**. He is the most powerful. Nothing else and no one else has the same power He has.

God's power can be seen occurring in many different ways throughout Scripture. First, with His very words, God created the heavens and the earth (*read Genesis 1*). We see a multitude of examples of God creating and exercising His power with His words. "But He answered, 'It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God"" (Matthew 4:4). God's power can be demonstrated through His words. And His power brings us life. In fact, "Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof" (Proverbs 18:21). The Lord shows us His power by speaking, creating, and then acting in a way that is true to His character.

Pause: Has God ever spoken to you – whether through a dream, vision, your heart, someone else's words, or Scripture? What did He say, and how did you see Him work in His power?

Another way the Lord shows His power is through His presence. *Luke 8:43-48* is the perfect demonstration of this. A woman is healed by merely reaching out and touching Jesus's garments. He feels power leave Him. While He is all powerful, He still knows when He uses His power. Thus, we see that the Lord uses His power through speaking, creating, acting, and giving His presence to His people.

We know that our God can do anything. And yet, sometimes in Scripture we see Him do something other than what He said He was going to do – demonstrating another of His attributes rather than demonstrating His power. For example, in *Exodus 32*, when the Israelites decide to forsake the Lord and worship a god they made for themselves, the Lord becomes righteously angry and purposes to destroy His people. And He certainly has the power to do so. However, Moses pleads on their behalf, asking God to forgive them

and remember His promise to their forefathers. God, in His mercy and grace, listens to Moses's plea and chooses not to destroy His people. The Lord very easily could have executed judgement on His people. However, His power is not limited to creating new life or restoring physical healing. His power extends far into the other attributes of His character and demonstrates His love and mercy to each person who calls upon His Name.

There is nothing that our God cannot do. His power is unlimited and unbound by the laws of our physical world. He can do anything and everything, and He does so with perfect wisdom and love. His power is not limited by time, space, or the confines of nature because He Himself created all of these things. Spend some time dwelling on how you've seen Him move in power in your life. Worship:

- ~ Anything is Possible by Bethel Music (feat. Dante Bowe)
- ~ Unstoppable God by Elevation Worship
- $\sim$  Power of the Cross by Shane and Shane

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