

He Is Dependable

God's Toughest Jobs Part 3 of 4

“Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.” Jeremiah 32:17

I. THE EVIDENCE OF GOD'S POWER

“The heavens are telling the glory of God; they are a marvelous display of his craftsmanship. Day and night they keep on telling about God.” Psalm 19:1-2 (LB)

“And God said ... and there was ...” (Gen. 1-2)

Jesus displayed God's power ...

- Over nature (Mk. 4:36-41, Mt. 21:19, Jn. 2:7)
- Over illness (Lk. 5:27, etc.)
- Over death (Lk. 7:11-15, etc.)
- Over satan (Lk. 8:27-39, etc.)

II. GOD'S POWER IN MY LIFE

“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.” Ephesians 1:20 (LB)

POWER SHORTAGE #1: _____.

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

“No matter which way I turn, I can't make myself do right. I want to, but I can't.” (Living Bible)

GOOD NEWS: God Can Give Me The Power To Perform.

“For God is at work with you, giving you the will and the power to achieve His purpose.” Philippians 2:13 (Ph)

POWER SHORTAGE #2: _____.

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

Solomon: **“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.”** Ecclesiastes 2:11 (LB)

GOOD NEWS: God Can Give Me The Power To Persist.

“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 40:28-31 (GN)

III. HOW TO APPROPRIATE GOD'S POWER

1. _____.

(Paul) **“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 Corinthians 12:9-10 (Ph)

2. _____.

“With that same spirit of faith, we also speak because we believe.” 2 Corinthians 4:13 (GN)

3. _____.

Joshua 3:13-17 (GN)