

**HOW GOD SHOWS HIS POWER – LESSON HANDOUT**  
**Manvel Bible Chapel Family Bible Hour – 29 September 2019**

**Attention Step:**

- What do you think of when you think of impressive displays of God' power?
  - Showed pictures of hurricane, solar Flare, galaxy, Universe full of billions of galaxies.

**Introduction:**

- It's impossible to read Scripture without realizing that Scripture presents God as being very powerful
- Today I'd like to suggest that God's greatest display of power may sometimes be ignored when we speak of His power.

**Overview of Lesson**

- 1. Some Examples of God's power**
- 2. God's power to save from sin – His masterpiece!**
- 3. Why does deliverance from sin take such power?**
- 4. How does God exercise this power?**

**The Lesson:**

**1. Some Biblical Examples of God's power**

- God's power in creation -- [Genesis 1:1-31](#)- [Genesis 2:1](#)--ALL IN 6 DAYS!!!
- God's power in sending the flood -- [Genesis 6:17](#)
- God's power in the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah -- [Genesis 19:24-25](#)
- God's deliverance of His people from Egypt -- [Exodus 14:21-23](#)
- God's mighty power in bringing His people out of Egypt **INTO** the promised land
  - [Deuteronomy 4:37-38](#) – [37](#), [Joshua 21:43-45](#) & [23:9](#) & [14](#), [1 Kings 8:56](#)
- And many other ways in which God showed his power
  - Turning water in wine, Healing, Casting out demons, Feeding 5000, Calming the Sea of Galilee.

**2. God's Power to SAVE from sin -- His Masterpiece**

- The Gospel of Christ (His Deity, incarnation, perfect life, death, burial, and resurrection!) is "THE POWER OF GOD UNTO SALVATION"
  - The apostle Paul proclaimed: --[Romans 1:16-18](#) – "16 For I am not ashamed of **the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation ... 18 For THE WRATH OF GOD is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;**"
- Only God's infinite power can deliver a sinner from God's righteous wrath against sin.
  - [Isaiah 43:11-13](#) – "11 ...beside me there is no Saviour. ... there is none that can deliver out of my hand. ..."
- All power is given to God the Son, Jesus Christ --[Matthew 28:18-20](#)
  - Christ has all power in Heaven and in Earth
  - He has the power to command that all His words be observed
  - He has the power to guarantee His presence with His own ALWAYS!
- Christ's power shall separate all of mankind into two groups – the saved and the lost.
  - [Matthew 25:31-33](#)
    - To the redeemed He says -- [Matthew 25:34](#) – [34](#) -- "...Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:"
    - To the lost He says: -- [Matthew 25:41](#) – "...Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:" –see also [Mat. 7:23](#)

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**3. Why does deliverance from sin take such power?**

- How Holy is God? He is infinitely Holy and righteous. Both the Old and New Testament Scriptures attest to His great holiness --Leviticus 11:44-45, Hosea 14:9, 1 Peter 1:16
- It only takes 1 sin to separate a person from this infinitely Holy God.-- James 2:10
- One sin created an infinite divide between God's holiness and man's wickedness.  
--(see Genesis chapter 3)
- Man's dead heart lost all desire for fellowship with God. He became unresponsive to the things of God. --Genesis 3:8 – "...Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden."
- This is still true of unredeemed man's heart today. -- 1 Corinthians 2:14 – "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."
- Consider Jesus' words to Nicodemus -- John 3:5-8 -- "... 8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit."
  - Since Man chooses according to his nature which is dead and opposed to God, NOTHING in him will move him to choose Christ and His righteousness.
  - "Listeth": (2309 θελω thelo thel'-o) -- to will, have in mind, intend
  - We see then that it is the Holy Spirit who "listeth" (or wills) & "quickens"
  - The only hope for any man is for God the Holy Spirit to "quicken" him or her.
- There will be no failures in God's plan to quicken.
  - John 6:37 – "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."
  - Romans 9:15-16 -- 15 "For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. 16 So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy."
  - John 1:12-13

**4. How does God exercise this power?**

- THROUGH **US** PRESENTING THE GOSPEL OF HIS WORD!! **You and me!!!**
  - 1 Corinthians 1:18 – "...For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God."
- How? --Romans 10:13-17 -- "...17 faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."
- What percentage of our interest, time, and energy are dedicated to eternal values as opposed to temporal values?"

**Summary and Conclusion**

- The Gates of Hell shall not prevail against God's plan to save --Matthew 16:18
  - Gates are defensive tools. They don't jump off their hinges and chase the enemy
  - Of course Satan himself walks about seeking to lock as many as possible behind his "gates" to prevent the powerful Gospel of Christ from reaching them.
  - His gates shall not prevent the accomplishment of any part of Christ's plan to build his church!

**As Christ's redeemed, we should be on the Offensive  
under Christ's banner!!!  
HE SHALL WIN!!!**