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God wants us to have an “empowered” heart. How many of you would like more power? Why do you want to be more powerful?

Usually we want power so we may bring about a change in our circumstances or other people. But sometimes we want power so we may prevent changes from occurring— because we like things the way they are.

There are two kinds of power

Natural Power - available through the laws of nature operating within the physical realm.

Supernatural Power - comes from the spirit realm to effect change in the physical realm.

Satan wants us to ignore the spiritual dimension. If we confine ourselves to the physical realm, we will merely react to circumstances. Then our destiny can easily be manipulated by the spiritual forces of darkness.

Natural living depends on natural means. Supernatural living depends on supernatural means.

Every person has natural intelligence, strength, abilities and resources which are used for natural living.

Supernatural living depends on God for wisdom, power, ability, and resources not available through human means.

The Christian life cannot be lived successfully through natural means. God designed it to be lived supernaturally.

The Spirit’s Power Verses

As you take a few minutes to read through the following verses, consider what each verse reveals about the Holy Spirit’s power that is available to you.

“So then, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; what is old has passed away— look, what is new has come!” - 2 Corinthians 5:17

“I pray that according to the wealth of his glory he will grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner person, that Christ will dwell in your hearts through faith, so that, because you have been rooted and grounded in love” - Ephesians 3:16-17

“Now to him who by the power that is working within us is able to do far beyond all that we ask or think, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” - Ephesians 3:20-21

“—since the eyes of your heart have been enlightened—so that you can know what is the hope of his calling, what is the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the incomparable greatness of his power toward us who believe, as displayed in the exercise of his immense strength. This power he exercised in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms” - Ephesians 1:18-20

“I can pray this because his divine power has bestowed on us everything necessary for life and godliness through the rich knowledge of the one who called us by his own glory and excellence.” - 2 Peter 1:3

“I am able to do all things through the one who strengthens me.” - Philippians 4:13

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the farthest parts of the earth.” - Acts 1:8

“For in him we live and move about” - Acts 17:28a

“For we are his creative work, having been created in Christ Jesus for good works that God prepared beforehand so we can do them.” - Ephesians 2:10

“For the one bringing forth in you both the desire and the effort—for the sake of his good pleasure—is God.” - Philippians 2:13

“And this is the confidence that we have before him: that whenever we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in regard to whatever we ask, then we know that we have the requests that we have asked from him.” - 1 John 5:14-15

The key question

Do you want to be a channel for God's supernatural power so you may fulfill the life mission that He has for you?