

Do you Talk the Talk and Walk the Walk, or do you just Talk?

Living by the Power of God

America was built on the Power of God

'How many legs does a dog have if you call his tail a leg? Four. Saying that a tail is a leg doesn't make it a leg.' – Abraham Lincoln

'Let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion. Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle.' – George Washington

'I am persuaded, you will permit me to observe, that the path of true piety is so plain as to require but little political direction.' – George Washington

'Mankind, when left to themselves, are unfit for their own government.' – George Washington

'Experience teaches us that it is much easier to prevent an enemy from posting themselves than it is to dislodge them after they have got possession.' – George Washington

'It is impossible to reason without arriving at a Supreme Being.' – George Washington

'I beg you be persuaded that no one would be more zealous than myself to establish effectual barriers against the horrors of spiritual tyranny, and every species of religious persecution.' – George Washington

'Sir, my concern is not whether God is on our side; my greatest concern is to be on God's side, for God is always right.' – Abraham Lincoln

'The philosophy of the school room in one generation will be the philosophy of government in the next.' – Abraham Lincoln

'My dream is of a place and a time where America will once again be seen as the last best hope of earth.' – Abraham Lincoln

'I believe it is universally understood and acknowledged that all men will ever act correctly, unless they have a motive to do otherwise.' – Abraham Lincoln

[Jhn 10:17-18 KJV] 17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. 18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

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Text: [1Co 4:20 KJV] 20 For the kingdom of God [is] not in word, but in power.

[1Co 4:20 NLT] 20 For the Kingdom of God is not just a lot of talk; it is living by God's power.

The Power of Salvation

[Rom 1:16 KJV] 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

[1Co 1:18, 24 KJV] 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. ... 24 But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.

[Eph 2:1-7 KJV] 1 And you [hath he quickened], who were dead in trespasses and sins; 2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: 3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. 4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) 6 And hath raised [us] up together, and made [us] sit together in heavenly [places] in Christ Jesus: 7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in [his] kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

Faith in the Power of God

[1Co 2:4-5 KJV] 4 And my speech and my preaching [was] not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: 5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

How do we live by the power of God?

[2Co 13:4 KJV] 4 For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

[2Co 13:3-5 NLT] 3 I will give you all the proof you want that Christ speaks through me. Christ is not weak when he deals with you; he is powerful among you. 4 Although he was crucified in weakness, he now lives by the power of God. We, too, are weak, just as Christ was, but when we deal with you we will be alive with him and will have God's

power. 5 Examine yourselves to see if your faith is genuine. Test yourselves. Surely you know that Jesus Christ is among you; if not, you have failed the test of genuine faith.

Kept by the Power of God Through Faith and Prayer

[1Pe 1:3-5 KJV] 3 Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

God doesn't want to be our partner, he wants to be our owner.

[Mar 9:41 KJV] 41 For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward.

Jesus Expects us to Build Up Not Tear Down

[2Co 13:10 KJV] 10 Therefore I write these things being absent, lest being present I should use sharpness, according to the power which the Lord hath given me to edification, and not to destruction.

Jesus Works through us, It's not Us

[Eph 3:20 KJV] 20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

[Eph 3:20 NLT] 20 Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.

We will suffer for the Good News

[2Ti 1:8 KJV] 8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

[2Ti 1:8 NLT] 8 So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord. And don't be ashamed of me, either, even though I'm in prison for him. With the strength God gives you, be ready to suffer with me for the sake of the Good News.

Guard Your Heart

[Pro 4:23 KJV] 23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it [are] the issues of life.

[Pro 4:23 NLT] 23 Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life.

Prayer Brings Power

[Jas 5:16 NLT] 16 Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.

Jesus Taught us how to Pray

[Luk 11:1 KJV] 1 And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.

[Mat 6:9-13 KJV] 9 After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.

10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as [it is] in heaven.

11 Give us this day our daily bread.

12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

13 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.