

THE POWER OF RESURRECTION LIFE

I believe that God has the ability to heal both instantly and gradually. God is always present (omnipresent), all knowing (omniscient), and all powerful (omnipotent); therefore He is not limited to **TIME** or **SENSES** or **MAN'S THOUGHTS**.

Doctors

God's power to heal is an indisputable fact whether we have the assistance of a man or not.

Eph 1:19-23

19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

(KJV)

Eph 1:19-23 (TLB)

19 I pray that you will begin to understand how incredibly great his power is to help those who believe him. It is that same mighty power

20 that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in heaven,

21 far, far above any other king or ruler or dictator or leader. Yes, his honor is far more glorious than that of anyone else either in this world or in the world to come.

22 And God has put all things under his feet and made him the supreme Head of the Church--

23 which is his body, filled with himself, the Author and Giver of everything everywhere.

When God speaks about his power, He speaks about the power that was manifest when He raised Christ from the dead. He didn't talk about

- a) Creation
- b) splitting the Red Sea
- c) casting out devils
- d) walking on water

He DID talk about Christ's **resurrection!**

God's greatest display of power was when the Father resurrected Jesus Christ from the dead. It was the greatest miracle the world has ever known or will ever know.

The Apostle Paul knew this to be truth when he wrote

1 Cor 15:12-26

12 But tell me this! Since you believe what we preach, that Christ rose from the dead, why are some of you saying that dead people will never come back to life again?

13 For if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ must still be dead.

14 And if he is still dead, then all our preaching is useless and your trust in God is empty, worthless, hopeless;

15 and we apostles are all liars because we have said that God raised Christ from the grave, and of course that isn't true if the dead do not come back to life again.

16 If they don't, then Christ is still dead,

17 and you are very foolish to keep on trusting God to save you, and you are still under condemnation for your sins;

18 in that case, all Christians who have died are lost!

19 And if being a Christian is of value to us only now in this life, we are the most miserable of creatures.

20 But the fact is that Christ did actually rise from the dead and has become the first of millions who will come back to life again someday.

21 Death came into the world because of what one man (Adam) did, and it is because of what this other man (Christ) has done that now there is the resurrection from the dead.

22 Everyone dies because all of us are related to Adam, being members of his sinful race, and wherever there is sin, death results. But all who are related to Christ will rise again.

23 Each, however, in his own turn: Christ rose first; then when Christ comes back, all his people will become alive again.

24 After that the end will come when he will turn the Kingdom over to God the Father, having put down all enemies of every kind.

25 For Christ will be King until he has defeated all his enemies,

26 including the last enemy-- death. This too must be defeated and ended.

(TLB)

**ALL OF OUR CHRISTIAN FAITH RESTS ON THIS ONE MIRACLE,
THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST.**

Kathryn Kuhlman said, "The validity of the Christian Faith rests on one supreme Miracle: the cornerstone upon which the whole superstructure of Christianity rises or falls, depends on the truth of this miracle - the Resurrection of Jesus Christ."

Paul's correct and Miss Kuhlman was correct. Our whole faith is in vain if this one fact is false - but it is not, it is true.

We rest our appeal upon one miracle!

Because He lives our faith is fruitful. And this great power is at our disposal. All power belongs to HIM. The miracle of His resurrection is a REALITY. It is also something He has promised all of us in the future, that our mortal bodies will put on immortality.

John 11:23-45

23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

28 And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.

29 As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto him.

30 Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.

31 The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.

32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled,

34 And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.

35 Jesus wept.

36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!

37 And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?

38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.

39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.

40 Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?

41 Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.

42 And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.

43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.

(KJV)

Jesus said in verse 25, "I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE."

How could the resurrection and the life lay down His life and become obedient to death? Do we really realize what a sacrifice He made for us to walk in newness of life?

Garden of Gethsemane - take this cup - what cup? Most believe it to be the cup of suffering. NO. He did not want to be separated from His Father.

Rom 8:9-11

9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

(KJV)

Rom 8:9-11

9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

10 And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

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Rom 8:11-13

11 And if the Spirit of God, who raised up Jesus from the dead, lives in you, he will make your dying bodies live again after you die, by means of this same Holy Spirit living within you.

12 So, dear brothers, you have no obligations whatever to your old sinful nature to do what it begs you to do.

13 For if you keep on following it you are lost and will perish, but if through the power of the Holy Spirit you crush it and its evil deeds, you shall live.

(TLB)

I like that song "Yes, Lord" when it says , "The power that raised you is alive in me right now, and the joy that's in my heart can't be contained.

Jesus was limited in the flesh but he was unlimited in the spiritual. We see this as He manifest His life in the flesh. But when His flesh was resurrected, Jesus walked right through the wall.

Jesus could now defy the laws of nature. Prior to His resurrection, He had authority over it, i.e. cursed the fig tree with his words, commanded the wind to cease, walked on the water, multiplied the food, etc.

But after the resurrection, His resurrected flesh was now subject only to His resurrected spirit.