Yahweh, the Almighty God of Israel, is with us

"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins." Isaiah 58:1

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The Power of Jesus

Without a doubt one of the most meaningful statements made by the Son of God concerns the authority and power he received after his resurrection. He said this:

Matthew 28: 18: "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

19: Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

20: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Let us examine this statement as it relates to things in this universe.

1. Over All Heavenly and Earthly Powers

- Luke 4: 36: "And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with authority and power he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out."
- Ephesians 1: 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,"
- Colossians 2: 10: "And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:"
 - Hebrews 1: 1: "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,
 - 2: Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;
 - 3: Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;
 - 4: Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.
 - 5: For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?
 - 6: And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.
 - 7: And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire."

2. Over the Natural Elements

Matthew 8: 26: "And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

27: But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!"

Matthew 21: 19: "And when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it, and found nothing thereon, but leaves only, and said unto it, Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever. And presently the fig tree withered away.

20: And when the disciples saw it, they marvelled, saying, **How soon is the fig tree withered** away!"

Matthew 14: 28: "And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.
29: And he (Jesus) said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on
the water, to go to Jesus." Note: Christ performed these amazing miracles by the power of
the LORD God; power which is available to believers even today.

3. Over the Human Body

There are literally hundreds of recorded miracles in Scripture to prove the staggering power Christ received from his Father over the human body; the most astonishing being when he raised the dead at a command. The miraculous healings recorded in the Gospels are very different from the dubious claims of the **bogus miracle-workers of today.** See **A Voice In The Wilderness - Canada** article entitled **Miracles**.

- Luke 7: 1: "Now when he had ended all his sayings in the audience of the people, he entered into Capernaum.
 - 2: And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him, was sick, and ready to die.
 - 3: And when he heard of Jesus, he sent unto him the elders of the Jews, beseeching him that he would come and heal his servant.
 - 4: And when they came to Jesus, they be sought him instantly, saying, That he was worthy for whom he should do this:
 - 5: For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.
 - 6: Then Jesus went with them. And when he was now not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to him, saying unto him, Lord, trouble not thyself: for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof:
 - 7: Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: **but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.**
 - 8: For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.
 - 9: When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.
 - 10: And they that were sent, returning to the house, **found the servant whole that had been sick.**"
- Luke 5: 17: "And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judaea, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them."
- John 11: 43: "And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth." Yeshua's power extends not merely over the bodies of others but even over his own.
- John 10: 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."

4. Over the Human Mind

Luke 8: 35: "Then they went out to see what was done; and came to Jesus, and found the man, out of whom the devils were departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed, and in his **right mind:** and they were afraid."

Hebrews 8: 10: "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:"

(See paragraph 7)

Philippians 2: 5: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:"

1 Corinthians 2: 16: "For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? **But we have the** mind of Christ."

5. Over Life and Death

Revelation 2: 7: "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; **To him that** overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God...

10: Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and **I will give thee a crown of life.**"

Revelation 1: 18: "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

Note: In other, words the Messiah decides whether a person lives or dies and at which resurrection he/she will come forth. Furthermore he will be the Judge on the **Day of Judgment**. These are awesome powers which everyone, everywhere must consider before it is eternally too late. Yeshua is offering **life** to all; let no one foolishly ignore so great an offer.

6. Power to Confer Authority upon others

Before His Resurrection - Healing Power:

Luke 9: 1: "Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases."

After His Resurrection - Witnessing Power:

Acts 1: 8: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: **and ye shall be** witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

In the Millennial Age - Ruling Power:

Revelation 2: 26: "And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

27: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father."

Revelation 3: 21: "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne."

7. Power over Sin

Romans 7:1-23. Read this chapter or parts of it to the audience. This chapter describes the power of sin in our carnal natures. One may inwardly admire the **Law of God**, but inherent sin, the carnal nature with which each and everyone is born, overcomes the pull of the good within and the person sins. In other words, this inherent downward tendency to sin - which Paul calls the **law of sin and death** - generally (if help from God is not sought) overcomes any desire to obey the Law of the Most High.

Question:

Verse: 24: "O wretched man that I am! who shall deliever me from the body of this death?"

Answer:

25: "I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin."

Conclusion:

- Romans 8: 1: "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
 - 2: For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.
 - 3: For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
 - 4: That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
 - 5: For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.
 - 6: For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.
 - 7: Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.
 - 8: So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
 - 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."

This last fact - the making of a saint out of a sinner - demonstrates the power of Christ more than anything else ever can. To be sure we may marvel at Yeshua's various gifts, stand aghast at his creative ability, be astonished at his power over the elements and the human body, quake before his mighty authority over the angel host; but it is only when **we witness his power to overcome sin in our own lives** - over the downward pull of our own sinful human minds - that we can say 'I **know the power of Yeshua**.' I know from personal experience that he is mighty to save **me** from sin over **my** evil thoughts, **my** evil words and **my** evil actions. And till such time as we recognise and realise his all-encompassing power in **our own lives**, we are simply playing with words and scratching the surface of religious understanding and experience. Listen to these personal testimonies concerning Yeshua's redeeming power:

- Job 19: 25: "For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:
 - 26: And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God:
 - 27: Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though mu reins be consumed within me."
- Psalm 135: 5: "For I know that the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods."
- Psalm 140: 12: "I know that the LORD will maintain the cause of the afflicted, and the right of the poor."
- 2 Timothy 1: 12: "For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for **I know** whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day."

Can you dear friend say that? Can you say **I know that my Redeemer liveth?** If you can then Yeshua's power is working in your life.

AMEN!

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