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Matthew 25:6

And at **midnight** there was a **cry** made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

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Matt 24:30:"At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. 31And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other."

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

The power of the New Testament Church made demons tremble and the disciples turned the world upside down for Jesus Christ. For the most part, entire denominations today operate without the Holy Spirit. They are devoid of the presence of Jesus, bankrupt of all spiritual gifts. They have a form of religion without any power, conviction or saving message. They have cultivated a friendship with the world. Some live in sin and ridicule the supernatural, tossing

aside all teachings about heaven, hell, repentance and God's judgment. They are spiritually weak and cold. Devils no longer fear them. Christians have no respect and little influences on society.

Paul said, "Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs and wonders, and mighty deeds," (2 Cor. 12:12).

THE CHRISTIAN'S POWER OF ATTORNEY

It is crucial for the believer to trust the gospel and everything it teaches, (2 Tim. 3:16-17).

Repentance and renunciation of all the occult, New Age, cult experiences, and also all known sin, (Acts 26:18; 2 Cor. 6:17).

Obedience to God and His Holy Word, and seeking for power of the Holy Spirit, (Lk. 11:13; 24:49; Acts 1:4-14; 2:38-39; 5:32).

Total submission to God, walk and live in the Spirit, (Rom. 8:1-2, 8:10, 13-16; Gal 5:16-26; Col. 3:17). Pray in faith, (Jam. 1:5-8; Heb. 11:6).

Know your position in Christ, (Eph. 2-6). See my books, *New Creation, from Curses to Blessings, Vol. I* and *Vol. II.*

Learn to use the name of Jesus in accordance with the Word of God, (Acts 3:16; 4:12; Jn. 14: 12-15; 16:23-26; Col. 3:17; Jn. 15:7-16; 13:35).

AUTHORITY OF BINDING AND LOOSENING

Jesus said to "first bind the strong man," (Matt. 12:29).

We are not going to destroy Satan's kingdom without him putting up very strong resistance. The enemy must first be neutralized before we can release his captive.

In prayer, we bind Satan. We bind him! JESUS, HE JUST GIVES YOU HIS AUTHORITY!

We pray: "Satan, we bind you in the name of Jesus. You can no longer exercise dominion over this person."

Jesus gave His Church the authority with this promise, "Whatever you bind one earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven," (Matt. 16: 19). Also repeated by Jesus in (Matt. 18:18).

These Scriptures give us our Divine power to bind evil powers in Jesus' Name, and to loose those who are subjected to bondage

EVERY ADVANTAGE

Believers in Jesus Christ have every advantage to defeat demons. The Word says, " "Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you." [To tread on serpents] Preservation from danger. If you tread on a poisonous reptile that would otherwise injure you, I will keep you from danger. If you go between bitter and malignant enemies that would seek your life, I will preserve you. See the notes at Mark 16:18.

[Scorpions] The scorpion is an animal with eight feet, eight eyes and a long jointed tail, ending in a pointed weapon or sting. It is found in tropical climates, and seldom exceeds 4 inches in length. Its sting is extremely poisonous, and it is sometimes fatal to life. It is in Scripture the emblem of malicious and crafty men. When rolled up it has some resemblance to an egg, (Elk. 11:12; Ezek. 2:6). The annexed cut will give an idea of its usual form and appearance.

[The enemy] Satan. The meaning of this verse is that Jesus would preserve them from the power of Satan and all his emissaries from all wicked and crafty men. This shows that he had divine power. He that can control Satan and his hosts that can be present to guard from all their machinations, see all their plans, and destroy all their designs, must be clothed with no less than almighty power.

Look at the description of these demons that were released in Revelation. (Rev 9:6-11) "And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them. ("them" is a supernatural being). 7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. 8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. 9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. 10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.11 And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon."

They are described as an army!

THE NAME OF JESUS

In addition, Jesus gives Christians power to use His name in (Matt. 28:18-20). "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 always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

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

He gave us the legal right to use His power. His power is shown in (Eph. 1:21-22). "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 . . . "

His power is above all power and in prayer, we bind Satan, we do it! Not Jesus! The warfare is revealed in (Eph. 6:12), principalities, power, rulers of darkness of this world, and spiritual

forces of wickedness in high places (heaven lies); and (earth), (Matt 16:19), "And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

The things to loose from the Devil's power according to (Lk. 13:12), nation, state, cities, community, geographical areas, church, family, individual members of family relatives, professions, vocations, businesses, education, finances, physical health mental health. We war against the powers of darkness, and bind up and destroy the plans of Satan commanding him to loose all that he controls. This spiritual power is the greatest force in the universe because its source of power is God controls. This spiritual power is the greatest force in the universe because its source of power is God Himself. (Ps. 62:11), "God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God."

This spiritual power can do things no other controlling influence can do.

In the King James Version of the Bible, there is often little distinction made between "power" and "authority," that they are quite closely related is seen in the fact that authority is valueless without the power to enforce it. Power is primary to God but may be applied to any holder of power, whether human or superhuman. The "powers"mentioned several times in the New Testament, often referred to angelic being believed to exorcize both on earth and in "the heavenly places"; According to the scriptures, these have been overcome by Jesus Christ.i

SPOILING POWERS OF SATAN

Jesus' power is always greater, (Col. 1:15) shows. Him victorious over Satan. "And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it."

Binding the strong man is a basic principle of spiritual warfare. Before any warfare against Satan can be won against the nation, city, individual, family, the strong man must be won. Once bound, Jesus enters freely into his house and carries off Satan's possession. We bind the powers of all maligning, defamation of our character division, slander.

When a person is delivered and Satan loses control, The King James says, "spoils," (Matt. 12:29). Greek words for spoil occur in two forms, Diapazo and harapzo. These words mean "an intensive spoiling, plundering and snatching away."

In (Lk.11 11:22) Greek. The Greek word, Skulon, denotes "arms stripped from a foe." Satan is stripped of his weapons (Lk. 11:21, 22). All that he has previously captured is reclaimed.

When a demon is bound is prevented in carrying out his assignments. The Greek word Deo means to literally tie or fasten. To restrain or immobilize.

We restrain and immobilize all the demonic power released against us and our families and our ministries in Jesus' name. We ask Lord that you arrest all the demons that have been unleashed in Jesus' name and let the powers of darkness know that You are on this case to defend Your Word and Your ministers who are working to get the truth and Your love out to Your People. Let every demon know that no weapon formed against shall prosper and we are rising up and condemning them, sending them to Your feet Jesus for Your judgment before their time.

Judges 15:14-- "And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands."

Thank You Lord God for victory and we ask you to send warring angels over us, our families, our web sites, radio programs, our harvest of souls, our equipment, our listeners, and we take dominion over the airways breaking every hindrance in Jesus name calling forth listeners in the name of Jesus. Let the spirit realms tremble in great fear as our Great Battle Axe goes before us and His battering rams surround us and not one hair on our heads shall be singed. We ask the Father to send His mighty angels to go into battle and war our enemies in Jesus' name.

Ezek. 34:27, "And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the Lord, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them."

REPENTANCE

Our first prayer today is a prayer for ourselves; we repent for every loosely spoken word spoken and place our sins under the Blood of Jesus asking that God would have mercy upon us, and blot out our sins. We have been led to crave for a fresh assurance of faith, for the comfortable application of the promise, for deliverance in the hour of temptation, for help in the time of duty, and for reassurance in our day of trial. We trust that our prayers will ascend to heaven for all ranges of spiritual mercies

The Lord blesses us today and our friends. We keep the shield of fire of the Holy Ghost around us in Jesus' name. We pray for sanctifying grace, for constraining and restraining grace. Let God arise and our enemies be scattered.

We pray for those who had taken demonic weapons of words to destroy our reputations and the work that you have entrusted in our hands to preach Your Gospel. We place everyone that has entered into spirit of strife into your hands for Judgment and Lord we ask that you have mercy to save our souls.

<u>Matthew 5:44</u> "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you."

Father, we bind the spirit strife that has risen among the brethren and ask You to forgive us. <u>1</u> <u>Corinthians 3:3</u> "For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?"

<u>2 Corinthians 12:20</u> "For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest there be debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:"

We ask you Lord that You and Your Word will sanctify us and keep us in Your protection in love for one another. Galatians 5:22-23. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

We bind the spirits of judgment, strife hate, confusion and division that has been unleashed over us and those connected to our ministries causing ungodly discord, judgment, hostility, confusion, condemnation, intimidation and destruction, we forgive them.

OUR FAMILIES

We pray for our families that they will accept God's Word that Jesus came to forgive us for our sins. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," (Jn. 3:16). "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly," (Jn. 10:10).

That the Holy Spirit will convict them of their sins that separates them from God and they will truly repent or "turn away" from sin. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Rom .3:23). "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord . . . " (Rom. 6:23). "But God commandeth His love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us," (Rom. 5:8).

Our families will accept through His Word that Jesus Christ is our only contact with God. "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me," (Jn. 14:6). "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus," (1Tim. 2:5). "And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel," (Heb. 12:24).

Our families will receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord by your personal invitation. "But as many as received Him to them gave the power to become the sons of God," (Jn. 1:12). "Behold I stand at the door and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come into Him"

Christ speaking (Rev. 3:20). God's solution is salvation by grace through faith in Jesus. "Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility, for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble," (1Pet. 5:5).

"But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you," (1 Pet. 5:10).

RELEASING YOUR FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Father, as we give into this work for the sake of Your people, we release an army of people to support this work in with fiancés, prayers and encouragements according to Your Word. We release the finances of all who are connected with us in Jesus' name.

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

The Lord has opened to us His good treasure and is blessings the works of our hands and has commanded His blessings upon our ministerial warehouse in all things that we undertake

according to His Word Deut. 8:18, 11:12.

The Lord rebukes the devourer for our sake and no weapon formed against us shall prosper all blocks and obstacles against our prosperity are hereby dissolved in the name of Jesus.

Father we ask that You cancel and destroy all witchcraft, psychic and soulish Christian prayers that have been prayed over us to spiritually control or manipulate our ministries and lives. Father I pray to put a wall of fire around our homes and business covering me under Your Divine protection. (Zech. 2:5).

I place the blood of the Lord Jesus on our doorposts (Exo. 12; 13); I place the bloodline of Jesus around all of my possessions and properties; (Jos. 2:18); Ex. 24:8; 29:20, 21; Lev. 1:5; 4:6); or place the blood of Jesus upon myself and family breaking all curses, hexes, spells, blood sacrifices sent by witches and wizards against us declaring them void. I command all demons to return to wherever they originated.

I pray for mercy for the souls of these wicked people who are under the blinding powers darkness for You to send Your Holy Spirit to convict them, bringing them to repentance and conversion to Jesus.

Thank You Lord for protection of the blood of Jesus and the Wall of Fire of the Holy Spirit over me and my family, my business, and everything that I own.

Father, WE agree that all the demons and powers of witchcraft are bound and forbid all demons to be able to complete plans of torment and death to anyone... WE place a supernatural block over them and all blood sacrifices; either human or animals cannot be released over anyone and must fall back upon their heads in Jesus' name.

CIVIL WAR

WE declare civil war against Satan's Kingdom according to (Matt 12:22-32, Mark 3:20-30; Luke 11:14-23). WE bind the strongman, Satan, caging and isolating all his demons, commanding them to go into confusion and battle against each other. Specifically, we command all marriage and family hindering, delaying, preventing, destroying and breaking demons to attack and destroy the spirits of Ahab and Jezebel.

We command the spirits of power and control to attack the spirits of pornography and Eros; the spirits of violence and torture to attack all the spirits of human subjection, degradation and submission. Let the spirits attacking us turn and attack and destroy the powers the witchcraft and cult spirits of confusion, infirmities, sicknesses, cancer, heart attacks, weaknesses, deformities, accidents, alcohol, drugs, nicotine, bad nutrition, abortion, mind control, Leviathan, pride, Kundalini, pythons, and vipers.

Father, We ask You to send Your warring angels to war against every attacking demons and send the burning Holy Spirit's judgment upon all disobedient and reluctant spirits failing to follow these commands promptly, and We release the blessings of Jehovah shown in Deut. 28 over myself and family. We pray this prayer in agreement Matt. 18:18, 19, over our ministry and all intercessors in Jesus name. Quicken us; quicken us, O Lord to Your great and almighty power. In

Jesus' name.

Prov. 13:22, "A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

Father, we ask that you bring the wealth of the sinner to our cause of getting the Word of to the world.

Ps 34:10, "The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek (inquire or require) the Lord (by right of their need and on authority of His Word) shall not want any (lack any beneficial) good thing."

Isa 45:2-3, "I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron: 3 And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, the Lord, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel."

Jer. 1:12 "Then said the Lord unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it."

We praise You our Father for Your immediate attention to bless us financially so that we can buy the radio time that we need to get the truth of deliverance and miracle power of Jesus Christ to a very dark world, in Jesus' name.

Ps. 84:11-12, "For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. 12 O Lord of hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee."

BINDING THE POWER OF SLANDER AND GOSSIP

Father we bind the stronghold over the ones who Satan is instigating against our work that You have called us to do. Let all the gossip and slander and deceptions fall to ground. We pray that You will have mercy and forgive all the confused people that are choosing a slandering war instead of seeking Your desire for their lives. We agree that we forgive them and put them in Your hands for judgment in Jesus' name. Please bring them out of these grand delusions and open their eyes that they can see in Jesus' name. Jesus, You are our Redeemer and Judge and not these that have chosen to take up weapons of words of disparage and gossip against us. Your Word says, <u>Psalm 101:5</u>,

"Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer." Have mercy dear Lord. Here's a prayer for protection....

THE BLOOD OF JESUS

Through the blood of Jesus, I am redeemed out of the hand of the devil. Through the blood of the Jesus, all my sons are forgiven. The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, is cleansing me now from all sin.

Through the blood of Jesus, I am justified, made righteous just as if I had never sinned. Through the blood of Jesus, I arc sanctified, made holy, set apart for God.

My body is a temple for the Holy Spirit, redeemed, cleansed: sanctified - by the blood of Jesus. I belong to the Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son - body, soul and spirit.

His blood protects me from all evil. Because of the blood less, Satan has no more power over me, no more places in me. I renounce him and his hosts completely and declare them to beamy enemies.

Jesus said, "And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils," (Mark 16:17).

I am a believer, and in the name of Jesus Christ, I exercise my authority and expel' all evil spirits. I command them to leave me now according to the Word of God and in the name of Jesus Christ. 4

I place the blood of the Lord Jesus on our doorposts (Exodus 12; 13); I draw the bloodline of Jesus around all of our possessions and properties; (Jos. 2:18); and I sprinkle (Ex 24:8; 29:20, 21; Lev 1:5; 4:6); or place the blood of Jesus upon myself and my family. "

I ask you Father to put a wall of fire around me and my home in for Your Divine protection. (Zech. 2:5).

Civil War in Satan's Kingdom

(Matt 12:22-32, Mark 3:20-30; Luke 11:14-23)

In the name of Jesus Christ, we command Satan's demons to fight against and destroy each other. Specifically, we command all marriage and family hindering, delaying, preventing, destroying and breaking demons to attack the spirits of Ahab and Jezebel.

We command the spirits of power and control to attack the spirits of pornography and Eros; the spirits of violence and torture to attack all the spirits of human subjection, degradation and submission.

We command the spirits of riches and wealth by greed to attack the spirits of lust for one world ruler ship, currency, and total control of the world system, the spirits of anti-capitalism, rebellion against free enterprise, strike and work stoppage to attack the spirits of poverty, hatred for believers, anti-Americanism. Let the spirits of war between the nations, destruction, hatred and anger attack the spirits of political and spiritual blindness, rage, mockery, vengeance, evil political science and influence, Illuminati and Communism.

Let the spirits of Antichrist, 666 and false religions attack the spirits of Roman Catholicism, and Masonry, the spirits of infirmities, sicknesses, weaknesses, deformities and accidents. Let them attack the spirits of alcohol, drugs, nicotine, bad nutrition and abortion. Let them destroy the spirits of mind control and darkness and attack the spirits of Leviathan and pride.

Heavenly Father, we ask You to loose burning, judgment and destruction upon all disobedient

and reluctant spirits that fail to follow these commands promptly.

I pray this prayer in agreement with Pastor Pat in Jesus name. Matt. 18:18, 19.

WE RELEASE BLESSING

We release the blessings over everyone that has received this curse in Jesus' name.

We return these curses and bind corrupt desires, and the medium by which they are expressed and whoever devised them in Jesus' name. We cover every Christian that has received it with the blessings of Abraham according to Deut. 28. We bind the spirits of divination and Mammon and forbid him to ever reward the sender who loved the wages of unrighteousness from receiving rewards for their wicked design; wicked plots and plans and it will not work in Jesus' name. Lord, this sender, with a PERVERSE heart, iniquity so monstrous is a spiritual mass killer being constrained by power from on high, Jesus Christ.

We reverse these curses to whoever devised them in Jesus' name. We cover every Christian that has received it with the blessings of Abraham according to Deut. 28. "These children of the curse," that is, persons devoted to the curse, or who will certainly be destroyed," (2 Peter 2:14).

Isaiah says, "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise in judgment against thee thou shalt condemn," (Isaiah 54:17).

We bind up the prayers of all so-called Christians that are cursing our finances and blocking our prosperity in Jesus' name. We break the power of every curse of those so-called Christians and false ministers that are praying against us to stop Your purpose for our ministries that You called to set the captives free. We bind up their power of using Your name to have an effect on these curses that they are pronouncing against us and our ministries. You said the wealth of the wicked is laid up for Just, they are wicked and we release their wealth into the hands of those true disciples whom You are using to call people to repentance and into Your kingdom. We break their spoken curses against us and our finances.

We call for our Battle Axe to go break down the walls that the Devil is hording our monies that he has stolen. We ask You Father that you will send Your warring angels to fight every demon that has come to rob, steal and kill and release life and life more abundantly to our ministries. We command Satan to take his hands off of our ministries, finances, and equipment in Jesus name. We cover everything with Your Blood.

We claim the walls built by Mammon, hoarding our inheritances down that have been built against our success be broken and destroyed by our Battle Axe.

Its defense, Isaiah says, shall be immaterial. "We have a strong city; salvation shall God appoint for walls and bulwarks" (Isaiah 26:1); "thou shalt call thy walls salvation and thy gates praise," Isaiah 60:18). By a different figure it is said, "I will encamp about mine house because of the army" (Zechariah 9:8). As Isaiah says, "The Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory," (Isaiah 60:19); and of Christ, "In that day shall the Branch of the Lord be Beauty and Glory-to the escaped of Israel," (Isaiah 4:2).

The Word of God promises us, Josh 1:8—"This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

CLAIMING OUR SUCCESS

Together with the name of Jesus and His Word we claim our success: Rom 9:4, "Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises;"

2 Cor. 1:20-22, "For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us. 21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; 22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts."

Heb. 6:12, "That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

Heb. 8:6, "But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises."

2 Peter 1:4, "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."

Father You said, Job 22:28, "Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways..." You also said that you are not a man that You can lie and can do it. Rom. 4:20-21, "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; 21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

"The exceeding greatness of His power to us-ward who believe according to the working of His mighty power, which He wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead."

Ephesians 1:19, Ephesians 1:20

In the resurrection of Christ, as in our salvation, there was put forth nothing short of a divine power. What shall we say of those who think that conversion is wrought by the free will of man, and is due to his own better of disposition? When we shall see the dead rise from the grave by their own power, then may we expect to see ungodly sinners of their own free will turning to Christ? It is not the word preached, nor the word read in itself; all quickening power proceeds from the Holy Ghost. This power was irresistible. All the soldiers and the high priests could not keep the body of Christ in the tomb; Death himself could not hold Jesus in his bonds: even thus irresistible is the power put forth in the believer when he is raised to newness of life. No sin, no corruption, no devils in hell or sinners upon earth, can stay the hand of God's grace when it intends to convert a man. If God Omni potently says, "Thou shalt," man shall not say, "I will not." Observe that the power which raised Christ from the dead was glorious. It reflected honour upon God and wrought dismay in the hosts of evil. So there is great glory to God in the conversion of every sinner. It was everlasting power. "Christ being raised from the dead dieth no

more; death hath no more dominion over Him." So we, being raised from the dead, go not back to our dead works or to our old corruptions, but we live unto God. "Because He lives we live also." "For we are dead, and our life is hid with Christ in God..." "Like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life..." Lastly, in the text mark the union of the new life to Jesus. The same power which raised the Head works life in the members. What a blessing to be quickened together with Christ!

THANKING GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS

Lord, we know Your grace that through You we are rich. Yet for our sake You became poor that we, through Your poverty, can become rich. You make all grace abound to us that always having all sufficiency in all things that we may have abundance for every good deed. (II Cor. 8:9; 9:8).

Blessed be You, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father of mercies, and God of all comfort. You comfort us in all our afflictions that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction with the same comfort with which You have comforted us. (11 Cor. 1:3, 4).

Blessed be You, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. You have blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ Who knew us in Him before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and blameless before You in love. You predestined us to the adoption of sons through Jesus Christ to Yourself, according to the kind intention of Your will to the praise and the glory of Your grace, which You have freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. (Eph. 1:3-6).

Lord God, we praise You that in Christ we have redemption, through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of Your grace, which You lavish upon us in all wisdom and insight. You have made known to us the mystery of Your will according to Your kind intention which You purposed in Christ, with a view to administration suitable to the plans of times, the summing up of all things in Christ that are in heaven, and are in earth. (Eph. 1:7-10).

Lord Jesus, we praise You that although You were in the form of God, You did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Yourself, taking the form of a bond servant, and being made in the likeness of man, and. being found in appearance as a man. You humbled Yourself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. You have been exalted highly by God, and bestowed with a Name, which is above every name, that at Your name every knee shall bow, of those who are in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that You are Lord to the glory of God the Father. (Phil. 2:6-11).

Lord, thank You for Your precious and magnificent promises that You have given to us that we might be partakers of Your divine nature. (Pet: 1:4).

Holy Father, we thank You for the Blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ that cleanses us from all sin; for the redemption we have through it, even the forgiveness of sins. (I Jn. 1:7. Col. 1:14).

Lord Jesus, we thank You that You bore our sins in Your Body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by Your wounds we are healed, (1 Pet. 2:24).

Lord Jesus, we thank You that by grace we are saved through faith; and that not of ourselves, it is a gift; not as a result of works, that no one should boast. We are Your workmanship, created by You for good works which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. (Eph. 2:8-10).

Lord, we thank You that we do not have to be afraid of the terror by night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that walks in darkness, nor of the destruction that lays waste at noon day. That a thousand may fall at our side and ten thousand at our right hand, but it will not approach us. We will only look on with our eyes and see the recompense of the wicked because we have made You our refuge and the Most High our dwelling place. (Psa. 91:5-8).

Lord, we thank You that You give Your angels charge over us to guard us in all our ways. They will bear us up on their hands lest we strike our foot against a stone because we have loved You. Therefore, You will deliver us. You will set us securely on high because we have known Your Name. (Psa. 91: 11, 12, 14).

Lord of hosts, how lovely is Your dwelling places. My soul longs and even yearns for Your courts. My heart and my flesh sing for joy to You, the living God. The bird also has found a house, the swallow a nest for herself that she may lay her young, even Your altars, 0 Lord of hosts, my King and my God. How blessed are those who dwell in Your house. We will ever praise You. (Psa. 84:1.4).

Thank You Lord Jesus for Victory

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