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- Behold, I give unto you <u>POWER</u> to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. (Luke 10:19 KJV)
- The first occurrence of power in this verse means:
  - power of choice, liberty of doing as one pleases
  - leave or permission
  - ✓ physical and mental power
  - the ability or strength with which one is <u>endued</u>, which he either <u>possesses</u> or <u>exercises</u>
  - the power of <u>authority</u> (influence) and of <u>right</u> (privilege)
  - the power of <u>rule</u> or government (the power of him whose will and commands <u>must be submitted to</u> by others and obeyed)

#### LOOK AT ALL THE POWER YOU HAVE!

### Understanding Power

- Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, <u>according to the power that worketh in us</u>...(Ephesians 3:20 KJV)
- Power here means
  - ✓ strength power, ability
  - inherent power, power residing in a thing by virtue of its nature, or which a person or thing exerts and puts forth
  - ✓ power for performing miracles
  - ✓ moral power and excellence of soul
  - ✓ the power and influence which belong to riches and wealth
  - ✓ power and resources arising from numbers
  - ✓ power consisting in or resting upon armies, forces, hosts

"Exceeding abundantly" happens based on the **power** that is working IN us. That power comes from none other than the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 1:18-23) God's power has been given to us and is according to the same power that raised Christ from the dead!



#### Understanding Power



Why is it important to understand power?

When we praise and worship God, it brings a connection to the power SOURCE. The same way a lamp or light bulb or appliance possesses potential to have power, that power is not activated until the appliance is hooked up to a SOURCE.

Praise and worship activates the power that already resides in us through making a deep and strong connection to God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit – our trifold power source! You are renewed, refreshed, uplifted, and the power of God IN you begins to override any other power that exists.

There is no need to LOOK for power. It is already in us; **it simply must be turned on or connected to the power source**.





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#### What does it mean to praise? (Psalm 149)

- To shine or flash forth light
- To boast or brag on
- To commend
- To rave
- To causatively celebrate
- To be clamorously foolish (loud and confused noise; vehement protest [forceful, passionate, or intense])







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What does it mean to worship? (John 4:24)

- To kiss the hand in token of **reverence**
- To fall upon the knees and touch the ground with the forehead as an expression of profound reverence
- Kneeling or prostration to do homage or make obeisance, whether in order to express respect or to make supplication



### Understanding the Power in Praise & Worship

- When you praise God, you shine a light on who He is in your life. Instead of illuminating what Satan has placed in front of you, or situations you have gotten yourself in, or what is going wrong in your life, you focus your mind and your Spirit on the God who controls all things. Praise changes the MIND.
- When you boast on God, you are positioning your spirit to tap into the Holy Spirit which is the source of your power. And what happens when your spirit makes that connection? Your spirit becomes RECHARGED! You are REVIVED!
- Things change when you praise because the power changes!





### Understanding the Power in Praise & Worship

- When you worship God, you are acknowledging Him as the greater, and you as the lesser. Worship involves more of a heart posture. (John 4:23-24). Praise points to God and all that He does. Worship requires **yielding and submission**. It requires a posture of humility and reverence for God.
- When you worship, it changes YOU. Worship requires you to put who you are aside to bow down to and show reverence to a God that is bigger than you. The more you worship, the more you connect to God at a transformational level. The power of the Holy Spirit becomes activated in you, empowering you to move & do.



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### Applying Praise & Worship to Life Situations

OUR REACTION TO A SITUATION LITERALLY HAS THE POWER TO CHANGE THE SITUATION ITSELF. Applying Praise & Worship to Life Situations

One thing that we know is LIFE HAPPENS!

It is our response that makes the difference.

When life begins to happen, and things begin to go wrong in our lives, praise and worship helps us to activate the power within and strengthen us to overcome.

When trials come and situations happen, we must respond appropriately.

#### Applying Praise & Worship to Life Situations

 We must shine a light on who God is when life gets difficult. Begin to praise when life gets tough! (2 Chronicles 20)

 God responds to our praise with His power. And His power changes the situation.



#### Applying Praise & Worship to Life Situations

- We must humble ourselves before God when our inner man becomes weak, and we face confusion and doubt. That is the time to worship God and receive liberty in His presence. (2 Corinthians 3:17)
- Worship helps our situation change by first changing us in His presence. When we change and take on the power of God through worship, we see ourselves differently. We respond to our situations differently. We see things the way God sees them by taking on His Spirit through worship.



#### Applying Praise & Worship to Life Situations



Now that we understand the power we possess through praise & worship, let's put it to work and watch the results!



## **QUESTIONS?**