

08012021 **God's Great Power** I believe a lot of our fears would evaporate if we properly understood the depth of God's love for us and his incomparably great power ... today I want to spend some time broadening our understanding of God's incomparably Great power...and next week on how this incomparably great power works on our behalf. the Apostle Paul addresses these two issues ...when he shares his prayer to God by writing to the people in Ephesus, his exact words to God...

Paul is thinking of this when he prays for the church...

NLT Eph3: 14 When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, ¹⁵ the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. (In other words the seen and unseen)

- He first states that when he meditates on the power of God, and what he has done for us... he falls to his knees in prayer...he is blown away by God who is our Father is the God who created all that is seen and unseen...heaven and earth...then he prays we see it too..

¹⁶ I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit.

- We will examine the empowered of us next week...but today we will examine the Father...who has created all that is seen and unseen...and has unlimited resources on top of that power! has unlimited resources..and he will give us power through God the Holy Spirit who lives in us and gives us inner strength...where we are most weak...the God who possesses unlimited resources...has given us the Holy Spirit to strengthen our very limited power to be strong!

So today I want you to be more knowledgeable of this unlimited power that God possesses ...so your trust in him will grow and you will pray with greater confidence...

- long ago Rabbi's in discussing how God works came up with the idea that God operates in at least 10 dimensions.. the latest's discoveries by physicists have put together, *the theoretical framework of Superstring Theory which posits that the universe exists in ten different dimension at once. These different dimensions are what govern the universe, the fundamental forces of nature, and all the elementary particles contained within.*

To break it down, dimensions are simply the different facets of reality whether we percieve them or not... let me give you an example of a **dimension/ reality that we can understand easily:** A concrete wall looks solid and firm from a distance. Move in closer, however, and you'll see the dimples and holes that mark its surface. Move in even closer, and you'd see that it's **made up of molecules and atoms** and even smaller particles. There's always greater complexity than meets the eye, and this hidden complexity conceals all those tiny, dimensions.

- Paul understood this for he continues in his meditating on the power of God...

Eph 3:¹⁸ And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. ¹⁹ May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

- first off Paul names the four dimensions we live in...and that God's love for us extends to the outer reaches those four dimensions of our created universe ...though we can't understand that fully!
- But when we can understand it...we will we will enter in to a completeness which is a wholeness and fullness of life! and know the power that comes form God... that is what I hope to give you a better understanding of today!

- So let's start there! Now in our world We are immediately aware of the three dimensions that surround us on a daily basis – those that define the length, Altitude, and depth of all objects in our universes
- *****The first dimension, is that which gives length (a line) ***Add to it a second dimension, (or height) or altitude, and you get an object that becomes a 2-dimensional shape (like a square).**

****The third dimension involves depth and gives all objects a sense of area ..hence volume. example a box... show a box...**

I CAN OPERATE in and ALTER THESE DIMENSIONS ...IF I squeeze the box I CHANGE DEPTH or space...I STEP ON it I CHANGE its height OR ALTITUDE...IF I turn it sideways SIDEWAYS I CHANGe its length...

****Scientists believe that the fourth dimension is time, which governs the properties of all known matter at any given point. Paul calls this width if if throw it over there I have covered a width of space...and there is a time element to that...**

- if the box is here it is not there...if I take it there it takes an amount of time to cover the space between here and there..
- on a time line I am 65 years old...**I cannot alter time...and in the time dimension at this time we cannot move backward or forward in time but only operate in the present...**

Jesus spoke of our limitation in this time dimension when he said:

Matt 6:27 Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?

- **these four dimensions we consider the natural....all our known creation...the universes and galaxies.. operates in them...**
- **all of them created by the power of God as stated in Genesis...the lord said let there be...and there was...earth light stars time...**

NLTGen1: 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.^[a] 2 The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters., (no length

and height no depth...no discernible form just a dark formless liquid) And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters..(God's Spirit was separate from this dimension, which we don't know anything about was moving over it)...He had a form in mind for this creation) ³ Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good. Then he separated the light from the darkness. (God created two unique and separate length, height and depth forms out of this darkness...one light one dark) ⁵ God called the light "day" and the darkness "night." And evening passed and morning came, marking the first day. (they would move in a dimensions called time...to create day and night time)

- Then over time (days) he separated sky and earth, land and oceans created sun, stars and planets, vegetation, animals, humans...all creation that exist in these four dimensions...**length, height, depth or space, width or time**
- **His love for us is greater than every atom and molecule, particle and smaller building blocks we don't even know about yet, that God used in creating these dimensions we live in! His love for us is greater!**
- And all This creation does not even touch his power and unlimited resources...for he merely spoke them into existence...hee did not even have to exert himself!!!
- But wait there is more..his power extends beyond the four natural dimensions for there are others .. there is much more reality than we comprehend.
- as Paul continues his meditaion and prayer on the power and love of God...

Eph 3: 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. ²¹ Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen

- This mighty power is at work in us...and is infinitely able to accomplish more than we could ever ask or even think...or imagine...no matter

what generation we are in ...this goes on forever and ever...in other words his power is beyond our understanding fully forever and more!

- His resources are unlimited and inexhaustable!
- Paul ends with Amen ...so be it!

lets look at the next dimension...

****Now If we could see on through to the fifth dimension, we would perceive a world where time travel is reality...the ability to travel back and forth in time would be reality and not fictional.**

That one could travel to different points in time is a dimension that God travels freely...

- God and only God can do this...
- **Isaiah 46:**⁹ *Remember the things I have done in the past. For I alone am God! I am God, and there is none like me.* ¹⁰ *Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish. NLT*
- he can reveal what the future holds because he controls the future...AND HE ALONE CAN DO THAT BECAUSE HE CONTROLS THE PAST, THE PRESENT AND THE FUTURE ...
- So even if we could accomplish time travel...he controls our ability to do that...and even then we could not alter his plan one iota...Heck the devil who lives outside our natural dimensions and has greater power than us...can't change one iota of God's plans, purpose, and outcomes
- **which leads us to the sixth dimension**

****In the sixth dimension, is where the notion of possible other worlds arises. ... where we could compare and position all the possible universes that start with the same initial conditions as this one (i.e. the Big Bang..ie formless and empty)... TRAVEL BACK IN TIME...TO THE BEGINNING OF ALL THE WORLDS/UNIVERSES THAT ARE**

SIMILAR TO OURS THAN FOLLOW THE TIMELINE OUT TO THEIR FUTURES...

In theory, if you could master the fifth and sixth dimension, you could travel back in time to their beginnings and/or move forward to their different futures. ...Parallel Worlds AND UNIVERSES...The study of other yet similar Universes...

again only God...knows this info...

Isaiah 44:24 This is what the LORD says— your Redeemer and Creator: “I am the LORD, who made all things. I alone stretched out the heavens. Who was with me when I made the earth?

Your life is not in the hands of bad luck, enemies or events or circumstances, or places or powers greater than you... but your life is completely in the hands of God...

so.. understand Believe it when Paul says

Eph 3:¹⁸ And may you have the power to understand, as all God’s people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.

- Understand his for his people fills every bit of the four dimensions we looked at...in their known and unknown totality... this love came in human form Jesus, this love we can experience...understanding this love makes us complete..and is the fullness of life forever

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pray

*****We have covered the six dimensions of our visually verifiable dimensions... but there are other invisible dimensions...we will examine them next week... end**

