Eph. 3:14-21

OUR GOD IS ABLE

The Omnipotence of God

- Seen in the creation of the heaven and earth.
 (Ps. 33:8-9; Heb. 1:3)
- Seen in the flood. (II Pet. 3:4-6)
- Seen in His dealing with nations and individuals.
 - Abraham (Gen. 17:1, 16; 18:14; Rom. 4:21; cf. Heb.
 11:19)
 - Jeremiah (Jer. 32:1-27; esp. 17,27)
 - Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego (Dan. 3:14-18)
- Seen in the ability of God to supply what we need the most. (Eph. 3:14-21)

- To aid us when we are tempted. (James 1:13-15;
 I Pet. 5:8-9; Heb. 2:14-18)
 - Jesus provided the perfect example of resisting temptation. (Matt. 4:1-11; 26:41)
 - God will not allow us to be tempted above our power to resist. (I Cor. 10:13)
 - The Holy Spirit provides the armor we need to stand.
 (Eph. 6:17; 4:30)

- To produce good from difficult trials:
 - The trials of Job. (Job 1-2; Job. 42:1-6)
 - The trials of Joseph. (Gen. 50:20)
 - The trials of Paul. (II Cor. 12:7-10; II Cor. 4:16-18)
 - The trials we face.
 - "Count it all joy, my brethren, when ye fall into manifold temptations; knowing that the proving of your faith worketh patience. And let patience have *its* perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, lacking in nothing." (Js. 1:2-4; cf. Heb. 12:10-11)

- To perform His promises: (Rom. 4:21)
 - The promises to Abraham. (Gen. 12:1-7 → Gen. 46:3; Ex. 19:6; Josh. 21:43; Acts 3:25-26)
 - Exceeding great and precious promises. (II Pet. 1:3)
 - \Box The forgiveness of sins. (Acts 2:37-41)
 - ☐ Blessings to those who seek first his kingdom. (Matt. 6:33)
 - ☐ His abiding presence. (Heb. 13:5-6)
 - Eternal salvation for the faithful. (II Tim. 1:12; Titus 1:2)

- To raise the dead. (Heb. 11:17-19)
 - Physically: Jn. 5:28-29; Eph. 1:20-23
 - Spiritually: Eph. 2:1-10
 - □ Our greatest need → Rom. 3:23; 6:23
 - \Box Jesus came to save the lost \rightarrow Heb. 2:9
 - □ We must be obedient → Heb. 5:8-9; Mk.
 16:16; Acts 2:38