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Quick Backdrop

Of all the miracles in the Bible, in your opinion, what is the best (or your favorite) display of God's power? Or, if you can't decide, what are your top three?

1 Digging In (God, Show Me!)

You've gotta admit, God has a lot of power. But His daily go-to power isn't seen in miraculous healings or in the suspension of natural laws. It's much more personal, and intimate. As you read about this power in the passages below, do this:

Draw a word burst over the word "power" whenever you see it.

Ephesians 1:18-21

¹⁸I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

Romans 8:11

¹¹And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

Colossians 3:1-4

¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

After reading and marking the passage, write in the space below everything these verses say about God's power. *Note how that power relates to us.*

God's Power:

2 Taking It Inward (God, Teach Me!)

Raising Jesus from the dead was no small feat. That act took some power! What's cool is that we have that same power available to us and we can know it intimately. Meditate on that truth for a few minutes. Think and pray about how this power can impact your life daily in areas such as these:

Family concerns	Temptations
Dating relationships	Emotions
Friendships	Attitudes
School stress	

3 Putting Into Practice (God, Change Me!)

This resurrection power can give you the ability to do things that you never thought you could do: beat a recurring temptation, release a grudge, sacrificially give money or time, offer forgiveness, gain strength for a scary life situation, heal from a hurt, even ramp up your Bible time and prayer life.

In fact, take a moment to complete the sentence below using the different prompts noted.

Because I can intimately know the power of Jesus' resurrection:

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I will resist	I will meditate on	I will give
I can overcome	I will embrace	I will make
I will hope for	I will accept	I will start
I will avoid	I will forgive	I will quit
I will seek	I will love	

One of the most effective tools of the Devil is try to make you forget (which can be a by-product of busyness). God has given us access to many powerful things, but if we forget we have those things, they do us no good. This is a truth you never want to forget: **the power of Christ's resurrection is in you.** So that you have a constant reminder, write the first letter of each word of that phrase on something you'll see every day: **tpoCriiv!** In fact, how about: **#tpoCriiv!**