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WEEK 3



DAY 09: ALL POWERFUL

The Lord answered Moses, “Is the Lord’s arm weak? Now you will see whether or not what I have promised will happen to you.”

NUMBERS 11:23

Pause

Find a quiet place outside for today’s devotion. Get away from everything that could distract you from God and His Word. Ask Him to open your eyes and heart to what He wants to teach you.

Think about all your knowledge, skills, and talents. Now, consider your limits in those areas. Is there a mathematical concept that’s past your understanding? Is there a level when your athletic skills just don’t match up? Jot down a few ideas.

We all have our limits, but God’s power isn’t limited. He is able to do what He promises. Read Numbers 11:21-23 to learn more.

Read verse 23 again carefully, then respond to these questions:

What was the only solution Moses could see to the problem of feeding that many people? Was it the only option?

How many of the possible solutions do you think God is able to see? And how many of those solutions is He capable of making happen? Explain.

Does the knowledge that God sees all possible scenarios and is capable of doing whatever He chooses affect the amount of trust you have in Him? If so, how?

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Behind the Story

In context, this passage records an event that happened after the people had made the golden calf. Because of their disobedience, God had declared that the people would wander in the wilderness for 40 years, until the unfaithful generation was gone. During the wandering, God supplied food in the form of manna, but the people complained that they wanted meat—and God provided it. Read Numbers 11 in its entirety for more.

The Point

Because God is all-powerful, His power isn't limited. He is able to do whatever He has promised.

Respond

Are there situations or circumstances in your life in which you're doubting God's ability to act or the promises of His Word? Be honest with Him about those things today. Pray over them, then write a statement of your commitment to trust Him completely below.

For further study, read Ephesians 3:20 and Philippians 4:19

DAY 10: A POWERFUL CREATOR

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness covered the surface of the watery depths, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters. GENESIS 1:1-2

Pause

Turn off your phone, the TV, or anything distracting. Take a deep breath and spend some time in silence before God, asking Him to prepare your heart for what He wants to teach you.

Read Genesis 1:1-5. Think through these questions:

What do these verses teach you about God's power? His supremacy? His authority?

When you think about the whole of creation and all that God has done, how do you respond?

Why is it important to recognize God as Creator?

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Behind the Story

The first sentence of the Bible isn't arbitrary. It establishes key truths on which the whole of Scripture rests.

These truths include:

- **God exists.** Verse 1 tells us that before there was a universe, God existed.
- **God is the main character of the Bible.** Scripture is His story, and every part of it teaches us about Him and His relationship with us.
- **God is the Creator.** He is not dependent on the universe, but all of creation is dependent upon Him.

The Point

God is your Creator and the Creator of everything that exists. He is powerful, active, and life-giving. This aspect of His character invites our awe and calls us to worship.

Respond

Consider all God has created: beautiful landscapes, the intricacies of the human body, the enormity of the universe. See all of God's creation as the work of a powerful, awesome, life-giving Artist. As you spend time in His creation, praise Him. Journal your response.

DAY 11: RULER OVER ALL

Not to us, Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory because of your faithful love, because of your truth. 2 Why should the nations say, 'Where is their God?' 3 Our God is in heaven and does whatever he pleases. PSALM 115:1-3

Pause

God's sovereignty is a difficult subject to wrap your mind around, but it's crucial to understanding who God is. Stop right now and ask Him to give you an open mind and heart to hear and experience what His sovereignty truly looks like.

Read Psalm 115:1-2 carefully, paying attention to what it teaches you about God and His character. Then, consider these questions:

How does this passage point to God's sovereignty?

"Whatever He pleases" doesn't mean that God is always changing His mind or giving in to whims; it means He does what He has planned. How would truly recognizing this aspect of God's character change your point of view on things that happen in the world? In your life?

Why is it vital that God's children understand that He is absolutely sovereign?

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Behind the Story

Written at a time when Israel had suffered devastating defeats and when God seemed nowhere to be found, this psalm records the taunts of Israel's pagan enemies. They misjudged Israel's defeat in battle as the result of God's weakness or nonexistence, even asking, "Where is your God now?" But instead of complaining, Israel announced their confidence in Him, declaring God sovereign over all, including the powerless idols these nations worshiped. Idols can do nothing, but our God is on His throne and knows His plan and purpose. n Him.

The Point

God is the ultimate Ruler with supreme power over all. He does what He pleases, always acting for His glory and your good—wanting to bring you back into a right relationship with Him.

Respond

Take a minute to really think about the concept of God's sovereignty. He is over all. Nothing happens that He has not ordained for His glory and purposes. In a world that seems out of control, God is in control. Praise Him for that today.

For further study of God's sovereignty, read Psalm 135:6, Daniel 4:35, and Romans 9:19-21.

DAY 12: GOD THE GREAT KING

For the Lord, the Most High, is awe-inspiring, a great King over the whole earth... 7 Sing a song of wisdom, for God is King of the whole earth. PSALM 47:2,7

Pause

Turn off your phone, computer, or anything that would distract you. Ask God to focus your mind on what He wants to teach you. Open your Bible and read Psalm 47:1-9. As you read, underline or highlight the words or phrases that describe God as being greater than anyone else.

- awe-inspiring: a word related to fear or reverence
- King of the whole earth: Earthly kings have limited authority, but God's authority is absolute and universal.

How is God's authority different from that of earthly kings or leaders? Explain.

These verses declare that God is king, but what does that mean? How would you explain this concept in your own words?

Why do you think it's important to understand that God rules over all people from all nations?

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Behind the Story

Psalm 47 provides the reader with great truth in understanding that God is not only above us (v. 2), but His kingdom expands across all nations and kingdoms. Israel understood this great truth as the Abrahamic covenant was unfolding before their very eyes (Gen. 12:3).

The Point

God is the powerful Creator, Sustainer, and King over all of creation. All of the earth belongs to Him, and His authority is unrivaled.

Respond

God is not your pal; He is the powerful King who has rule and authority over all the earth. Think about how approaching God as the powerful King might change the way you communicate with and worship Him on a daily basis. With that in mind, write your own psalm of praise to the great King of your life.