

LETTING HIS POWER WORK BEYOND US!

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Ephesians 3:20–21-KJV

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
21 unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Exceeding – (huper) - describes something that is above and beyond anything else; depicts an archer who overshoots his goal. He put so much energy into it that when he pulls back on his bow and releases his arrow, he overshoots, overreaches, surpasses his goal.

1. As we allow supernatural strength to increase in us, it allows us to understand and experience more of God in our life.

Ephesians 3:18-20-Passion – 18-19 - Then, as your spiritual strength increases, you will be empowered to discover what every holy one experiences— the great magnitude of the *astounding love of Christ in all its dimensions*. How deeply intimate and far-reaching is his love! How enduring and inclusive it is! Endless love beyond measurement, beyond academic knowledge— this extravagant love pours into you until you are filled to overflowing with the fullness of God!

20 Never doubt God's mighty power to work in you and accomplish all this. He will achieve infinitely more than your greatest request, your most unbelievable dream, and exceed your wildest imagination! He will outdo them all, for his miraculous power constantly energizes you.

1John 4:16-17-Passion

16 We have come into an intimate experience with God's love, and we trust in the love he has for us. God is love! ***Those who are living in love are living in God, and God lives through them.***

17 ***By living in God***, love has been brought to its full expression in us...

2. God's desire is to give you everything in abundance, more than you expect---life in its fullness until you overflow!

John 10:10-NKJB

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

Life - zōē, which means - "the absolute fullness of life."

Abundantly - perissos, (per-is-sos') which means - "over and above, more than is necessary, superadded."

3. God wants us to experience an overcoming life, a life of true victory.

power - dunamis - which describes - strength or ability, to be capable. Used to depict the assembled forces of an army whose combined strength enabled them to achieve unrivaled victories. These troops were so strong that they simply could not be resisted.

Paul also quotes this power in:

Ephesians 1:19-20-NKJV

19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power
20 which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,...

greatness – power that is boundless, immense, limitless, measureless, and vast. One could say that it is so mighty that it is simply beyond human ability to measure.

Passion – 19 My prayer for you is that every moment you will experience the measureless power of God made available to you through faith. Then your lives will be an advertisement of this *immense power as it works through you!*

20 This is the explosive and mighty resurrection power that was released when God raised Christ from the dead and exalted him to the place of highest honor and supreme authority in the heavenly realm!