

# Under God's Mighty Hand

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## 1. Meditating on the power of God.

a. God's power is \_\_\_\_\_.

b. God's power is \_\_\_\_\_.

c. God's power is \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2. Made humble by the power of God.

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b. God's power is \_\_\_\_\_.

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## 3. Made hopeful by the power of God.

a. God's power is \_\_\_\_\_you.

b. God's power is \_\_\_\_\_you.

# **Under God's Mighty Hand**

A photograph of a lighthouse situated on a rocky island. The lighthouse is a tall, cylindrical structure with a lattice-work lantern room at the top. It is being battered by massive, white-capped waves that are crashing against its base and the surrounding rocks. The water is a deep blue-green color, and the sky is not visible. The overall scene conveys a sense of immense power and resilience.

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# **Theme**

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# **Mighty Hand = Power**

**Exodus 32:11**

Then Moses entreated the LORD his God,  
and said, "O LORD, why does Your anger burn  
against Your people whom You have brought out  
from the land of Egypt with great power  
and with a mighty hand?"





**Meditating on God's Power**

**God's power is underived.**



# **Underived Power**

**1 Chronicles 29:11**

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power  
and the glory and the victory and the majesty,  
indeed everything that is in the heavens  
and the earth;

Yours is the dominion, O LORD,  
and You exalt Yourself as head over all.

God's power is eternally His  
and His alone; it has no origin  
outside of Himself.

**All other power has its  
source in Him.**

# **Meditating on God's Power**

God's power is underived.

**God's power is unlimited.**

# **Unlimited Power**

**Jeremiah 32:17**

Ah Lord God! Behold, You have made  
the heavens and the earth by Your great power  
and by Your outstretched arm!  
Nothing is too difficult for You.



God's power is infinitely great and has no limits in scope or scale.

**All other power has limited reach, duration, and intensity.**

# Unlimited Power

**Job 11:7**

Can you discover the depths of God?

Can you discover the limits of the Almighty?

# **Meditating on God's Power**

God's power is underived.

God's power is unlimited.

**God's power is  
unrestrained.**

# God's Power to Restrain

**Job 38:8-11**

Or who enclosed the sea with doors...

...and I placed boundaries on it,

And I set a bolt and doors, And I said,

“Thus far you shall come, but no farther;”

And “here shall your proud waves stop”?



# His Unrestrained Power

**Daniel 4:35**

And all the inhabitants of the earth are  
accounted as nothing, But He does  
according to His will in the host of heaven  
And among the inhabitants of earth;  
And no one can ward off His hand  
Or say to Him, “What have You done?”

God's will is entirely free,  
and He uses His power freely.

**Man's will is not so free as  
to constrain the exercise of  
God's power in any way!**

**Psalm 135:6**

**Whatever** the LORD pleases, He does,  
In heaven and in earth,  
in the seas and in all deeps.

**Isaiah 43:13**

“Even from eternity I am He;  
And there is none who can deliver out of My hand;  
I act and who can reverse it?”

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A background image of a large, turbulent ocean wave crashing against a rocky shore. The water is a mix of white foam and deep blue, with a dark, jagged rock formation visible on the right side. The overall scene is dramatic and powerful, emphasizing the theme of God's power.

**Humbled by God's Power**

**God's power is  
incomprehensible.**

# **Incomprehensible Power**

## **Psalm 145:3-5**

Great is the LORD, and highly to be praised;  
And His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall praise Your works to another,  
And shall declare Your mighty acts.

On the glorious splendor of Your majesty,  
And on Your wonderful works, I will meditate.

God's power is beyond your  
ability to comprehend.

**Meditating upon His  
incomprehensible power will  
help keep you in your place.**



# Humbled by Knowledge

Job 42:3

“Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge? Therefore I have declared that which I did not understand, Things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.”

# **Humbled by God's Power**

God's power is incomprehensible.

**God's power is  
incomparable.**

## **Psalm 40:5**

Many, O LORD my God, are the wonders which  
You have done, And Your thoughts toward us;  
There is none to compare with You;  
If I would declare and speak of them,  
They would be too numerous to count.

The broken human heart forms  
God in the image of man,  
bringing God down that he  
might be lifted up.



# **But this is folly!**

**Psalm 89:6-8**

For who in the skies is comparable to the LORD?

Who among the sons of the mighty  
is like the LORD? A God greatly feared  
in the council of the holy ones,  
And awesome above all those  
who are around Him?

O LORD God of hosts, who is like You,  
O mighty LORD?

It is humbling to know that **all**  
other power is so far below God's  
as to be utterly incomparable!

# **Humbled by God's Power**

God's power is incomprehensible.

God's power is incomparable.

**God's power is  
irresistible.**

# **Irresistible Power**

**Romans 9:17**

For the Scripture says to Pharaoh,  
“For this very purpose I raised you up,  
to demonstrate My power in you,  
and that My name might be proclaimed  
throughout the whole earth.”



Pharaoh, in all of his political and military might, could not resist the mighty hand of God.

**Even the nations are humbled before Him.**

## **Isaiah 40:23-24**

He it is who reduces rulers to nothing,  
Who makes the judges of the earth meaningless.

Scarcely have they been planted,  
Scarcely have they been sown,  
Scarcely has their stock taken root in the earth,  
But He merely blows on them, and they wither,  
And the storm carries them away like stubble.



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When you hear the phrase,  
“the mighty hand of God,”  
what comes to mind?

**Judgment or Salvation?**

The power of God is going to  
humiliate the rebel!

**But He exerts His power  
to save His people!**



# **Redeemed by His Power**

**Psalm 77:15**

You have by Your power  
redeemed Your people!

# Protected by His Power

**1 Peter 1:5**

...who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

What could more hope  
inspiring than to know that  
the Almighty God is exerting  
His power to save you?



**Hopeful by God's Power**

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# **God is for you!**

**Ezekiel 36:9**

For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn to you,  
and you shall be cultivated and sown.

# Hopeful by God's Power

God's power is for you.

**God's power is *with* you.**

# **Surrounded by Death?**

**Psalm 23:4**

Even though I walk through the valley  
of the shadow of death, I fear no evil;  
for You are with me.

## Isaiah 43:1 and 5

But now, thus says the LORD, your Creator,  
O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel,

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name; **you are Mine!**”

Do no fear, **for I am with you.**

Do you believe that God is for you?  
Do you believe that God is with you?

**Then why worry?**