

Wed 10/30/24 - Where true power resides



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Hymn. 10:1–3

All power is given unto our Lord,
On Him we place reliance;
With truth from out His sacred word
We bid our foes defiance.
With Him we shall prevail,
Whatever may assail;
He is our shield and tower,
Almighty is His power;
His kingdom is forever.

Rejoice, ye people, praise His name,
His care doth e'er surround us.
His love to error's thralldom came,
And from its chains unbound us.
Our Lord is God alone,
No other power we own;
No other voice we heed,
No other help we need;
His kingdom is forever.

O then give thanks to God on high,
Who life to all is giving;
The hosts of death before Him fly,
In Him we all are living.
Then let us know no fear,
Our King is ever near;
Our stay and fortress strong,

Our strength, our hope, our song;
His kingdom is forever.

Words: FREDERIC W. ROOT BASED ON HYMN BY MARTIN LUTHER
Music: Martin Luther

Hymn. 594:1–3

We're steadfastly protected by Your power,
Encircled in the caring arms of Love.
Together, we are sharing all our days now,
And year by year come blessings from above.

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We're each held safe by God's own holy power.
Whatever comes, Your comfort is at hand.
You're at our side at evening and at morning,
And each new day unfolds as You have planned.

Your pure and quiet love spreads o'er us deeply;
We know Your fullness now and feel Your peace.
For Your one holy world of grace and power,
We all praise You with joy that will not cease.

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Words: DIETRICH BONHOEFFER; ENG. TR. AND ADAPT. CSPS
Music: Siegfried Fietz; arr. CSPS

Hymn. 141:1–4

If the Lord build not the house
They that labor build in vain;
Father, may our corner stone
Stand foursquare, without a stain.

Make our planting timely, true,

Governed by a power benign;
Nourish by a heavenly dew
All the branches and the vine.

Fruitful shall our tillage be,
Known the work of perfect Mind,
Leaves be gathered from the tree
For the healing of mankind.

Cleansing men of fear and hate,
Lifting hope above the sod,
Truth will summon, soon or late,
All the earth to worship God.

Words: MARIA LOUISE BAUM
Music: Christoph E. F. Weyse

Ps. 62:11

11 God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power *belongeth* unto God.

Isa. 33:22 the (to ;)

22 ... the LORD *is* our judge, the LORD *is* our lawgiver, the LORD *is* our king; ...

I Chron. 29:11, 12

11 Thine, O LORD, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all *that is* in the heaven and in the earth *is thine*; thine *is* the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

12 Both riches and honour *come* of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand *is* power and might; and in thine hand *it is* to make great, and to give strength unto all.

Rom. 13:1

1 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

Ps. 21:13

13 Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.

II Sam. 22:33, 34, 36

33 God *is* my strength *and* power: And he maketh my way perfect.

34 He maketh my feet like hinds' *feet*: and setteth me upon my high places.

36 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath made me great.

Ps. 28:7, 8 he

7 The LORD *is* my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.

8 ... he *is* the saving strength of his anointed.

Isa. 9:6 unto, 7 (to 1st ,)

6 ... unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of *his* government and peace *there shall be* no end, ...

Mark 10:17 there, 18

17 ... there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?

18 And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God.

John 5:30

30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

John 19:1–11 Pilate (to :)

1 ... Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged *him*.

2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put *it* on his head, and they put

- on him a purple robe,
- 3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands.
- 4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.
- 5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And *Pilate* saith unto them, Behold the man!
- 6 When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify *him*, crucify *him*. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify *him*: for I find no fault in him.
- 7 The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.
- 8 ¶ When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid;
- 9 And went again into the judgment hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer.
- 10 Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee?
- 11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power *at all* against me, except it were given thee from above: ...

Luke 10:19

- 19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Rev. 11:15–17 there

- 15 ... there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.
- 16 And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,
- 17 Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.

Rev. 12:7–10

- 7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

- 8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.
- 9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
- 10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Ps. 24:1, 7–10 (to 1st .)

- 1 The earth *is* the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 Who *is* this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- 9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift *them* up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he *is* the King of glory. ...

Eph. 6:10 my

- 10 ... my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

Matt. 6:13 thine (to 1st .)

- 13 ... thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. ...

SH 228:25–27

There is no power apart from God. Omnipotence has all-power, and to acknowledge any other power is to dishonor God.

SH 275:6

- 6 The starting-point of divine Science is that God, Spirit, is All-in-all, and that there is no other might nor Mind, — that God is Love, and therefore He is divine Principle.

SH⁹224:31–3

No power can withstand divine Love.

What is this supposed power, which opposes itself to God?

- 1 Whence cometh it? What is it that binds man with iron shackles to sin, sickness, and death? Whatever enslaves
- 3 man is opposed to the divine government.

SH 569:3

- 3 Every mortal at some period, here or hereafter, must grapple with and overcome the mortal belief in a power opposed to God.

SH 82:31–2

In a world of sin and sensuality hastening to a greater development of power, it is wise earnestly to

- 1 consider whether it is the human mind or the divine Mind which is influencing one.

SH 393:16–18

Be firm in your understanding that the divine Mind governs, and that in Science man reflects God's govern-

- 18 ment.

SH 143:26–31

Mind is the grand creator, and there can be no power except that which is derived from Mind. If Mind was first chronologically, is first potentially, and must be first eternally, then give to Mind the

- 30 glory, honor, dominion, and power everlastingly due its holy name.

SH 177:5

The evidence of divine Mind's healing power and absolute control is to me as certain as the evidence of my own existence.

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SH 144:3–5

3 If Mind is foremost and superior, let us rely upon Mind,
which needs no cooperation from lower powers, even if
these so-called powers are real.

SH 469:25–28

We lose the high signification of omnipotence, when
after admitting that God, or good, is omnipresent and
27 has all-power, we still believe there is another
power, named *evil*.

The sole
governor

SH 130:9

9 It is unwise to doubt
if reality is in perfect harmony with God, divine Principle,
— if Science, when understood and demonstrated, will
12 destroy all discord, — since you admit that God is om-
nipotent; for from this premise it follows that good and
its sweet concords have all-power.

Excuses for
ignorance

SH 587:19

Good. God; Spirit; omnipotence; omniscience; om-
nipresence; omni-action.

SH 186:19–20

The only power of evil is to destroy itself. It
can never destroy one iota of good.

SH 330:27

27 Evil is nothing, no thing, mind, nor power.
As manifested by mankind it stands for a lie,
nothing claiming to be something, — for lust, dishonesty,
30 selfishness, envy, hypocrisy, slander, hate, theft, adultery,
murder, dementia, insanity, inanity, devil, hell, with all
the etceteras that word includes.

Evil
obsolete

SH 192:11–26

Erring power is a material belief, a blind miscalled force,
12 the offspring of will and not of wisdom, of the mortal mind
and not of the immortal. It is the headlong
cataract, the devouring flame, the tempest's
15 breath. It is lightning and hurricane, all that is selfish,
wicked, dishonest, and impure.

Human power
a blind force

Moral and spiritual might belong to Spirit, who holds
18 the “wind in His fists;” and this teaching accords with
Science and harmony. In Science, you can
have no power opposed to God, and the physi-
21 cal senses must give up their false testimony. Your in-
fluence for good depends upon the weight you throw into
the right scale. The good you do and embody gives you
24 the only power obtainable. Evil is not power. It is a
mockery of strength, which ere long betrays its weakness
and falls, never to rise.

The one
real power

SH 597:20–21 (to 1st .)

WILL. The motive-power of error; mortal belief; ani-
21 mal power.

SH 144:14–16

Human will-power is not Science. Human will belongs
15 to the so-called material senses, and its use is to be con-
demned.

SH 490:3

3 Will-power is but a product of belief, and this belief
commits depredations on harmony. Human will is an
animal propensity, not a faculty of Soul.
6 Hence it cannot govern man aright. Chris-
tian Science reveals Truth and Love as the
motive-powers of man. Will — blind, stubborn, and head-

Will-power
an animal
propensity

9 long — cooperates with appetite and passion. From this cooperation arises its evil. From this also comes its powerlessness, since all power belongs to God, good.

SH 103:29–31

In reality there is no *mortal* mind, and consequently no transference of mortal thought and will-power.

Thought-
transference

SH 225:14–16

The history of our country, like all history, illustrates the might of Mind, and shows human power to be proportionate to its embodiment of right thinking.

SH 462:25–30

The anatomy of Christian Science teaches when and how to probe the self-inflicted wounds of selfishness, malice, envy, and hate. It teaches the control of mad ambition. It unfolds the hallowed influences of unselfishness, philanthropy, spiritual love.

SH 566:29–8

The Old Testament assigns to the angels, God's divine messages, different offices. Michael's characteristic is spiritual strength. He leads the hosts of heaven against the power of sin, Satan, and fights the holy wars. Gabriel has the more quiet task of imparting a sense of the ever-presence of ministering Love. These angels deliver us from the depths. Truth and Love come nearer in the hour of woe, when strong faith or spiritual strength wrestles and prevails through the understanding of God. The Gabriel of His presence has no contests. To infinite, ever-present Love, all is Love, and there is no error, no sin, sickness, nor death.

Angelic
offices

SH 192:30

30 Whatever holds human thought in line with unselfed
love, receives directly the divine power.

SH 106:6

6 Like our nation, Christian Science has its Declaration
of Independence. God has endowed man with inalien-
able rights, among which are self-government,
9 reason, and conscience. Man is properly self-
governed only when he is guided rightly and governed by
his Maker, divine Truth and Love.

Proper self-
government

SH 469:30–5

30 With
1 one Father, even God, the whole family of man would
be brethren; and with one Mind and that God, or good,
3 the brotherhood of man would consist of Love and Truth,
and have unity of Principle and spiritual power which
constitute divine Science.

SH 17:1

1 Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Enable us to know, — as in heaven, so on earth, — God is
3 *omnipotent, supreme.*