

**GOD'S POWER FOR A NEW YEAR**  
**#SermonPower**  
**New Year's Eve**  
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**Jeremiah 32:17** O Lord God! You have made the heavens and earth by **your great power; nothing is too hard for you!** (LB)

**Psalms 19:1-2** The heavens are **telling the glory of God**; they are a marvelous **display** of his craftsmanship. <sup>2</sup> Day and night they keep on **telling about God**. (LB)

**THE NEED FOR GOD'S POWER**

**Ephesians 1:19-20** I pray that you will begin to understand how **incredibly great his power** is to help those who believe him. It is that same **mighty power** <sup>20</sup> that raised Christ from the dead... (LB)

1. Power to **GET STARTED**

**Romans 7:18** I often find that I have the **will to do good**, but **not the power!** (PH)

**Philippians 2:13** For God is at work with you, **giving you the will and the power** to achieve His purpose. (PH)

2. Power to **KEEP GOING**

**Psalms 6:2** I am **worn out**, O Lord ...Give me strength; I am completely **exhausted**. (TEV)

**Isaiah 40:28-31** ...The LORD is the everlasting God... He never grows tired or weary... <sup>29</sup> He **strengthens those who are weak and tired**... <sup>30</sup> Even those who are young grow weak; young people can fall exhausted. <sup>31</sup> But those who trust in the LORD for help will find their **strength renewed**. They will rise on wings like eagles; they will run and not get weary; they will walk and not grow weak. (TEV)

**HOW TO LIVE IN GOD'S POWER**

**1. ADMIT I LACK POWER**

**Matthew 26:41b** ...The Spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. (NIV)

**2 Corinthians 12:9-10** God said to me, "... Where there is **weakness, My power is shown** more completely." Therefore I have cheerfully made up my mind to be proud of my **weaknesses**, because they mean a deeper experience of **Christ's power** <sup>10</sup> ...For my very **weakness** makes me **strong in Him!** (PH)

**2 Corinthians 1:9** We felt we were doomed to die and saw how powerless we were to help ourselves; but that was good, for then we put everything into the hands of God, who alone could save us, for he can even raise the dead. (LB)

## 2. BELIEVE IN FAITH

**Mark 9:23** ...Everything is possible for him who believes. (NIV)

**Matthew 9:29** ...According to your faith will it be done to you. (NIV)

**Galatians 3:5** Does God give you the power of the Holy Spirit and work miracles among you as a result of your trying to obey the Jewish laws? No, of course not. It is when you believe in Christ and fully trust him. (LB)

## 3. SPEAK IN FAITH

**2 Corinthians 4:13** The scripture says, "I spoke because I believed." In the same spirit of faith we also speak because we believe. (TEV)

**Proverbs 18:21a** Death and life are in the power of the tongue... (NASB)

## 4. ACT IN FAITH

**Joshua 3:14-16** ...As soon as the priests stepped into the river... <sup>16</sup> the water stopped flowing and piled up... and the people were able to cross over near Jericho. (TEV)

**Philippians 4:13** I can do everything God asks me to with the help of Christ who gives me the strength and power. (LB)