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Chapter 5: Establishing a strong, personal FAITH.

Week 18: Naming your Higher Power, the way, the truth and the better life.

Video: The Chosen, Peter meets Jesus.

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Theme verse: *Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, 21 being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised.* – Romans 4:20, 21

Additional Verses: *“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”*
– Luke 4:18-19

Word of the Week: Power

Quote: “Leaders have power, but power is safe only in the hands of those who humble themselves to serve.” – John Stott

John Eldredge: “Every man carries a wound. I have never met a man without one. No matter how good your life may have seemed to you, you live in a broken world full of broken people.”

Highlight Song: This is our God, Phil Wickham

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Word of the Week: Power

Dictionary:

noun

- ability to do or act; capability of doing or accomplishing something.
- political or national strength: the balance of power in Europe.

verb

- to supply with electricity or other means of power: Atomic energy powers.
- to give power to; make powerful: An outstanding quarterback powered the team.

adjective

- operated or driven by a motor or electricity: a power mower; power tools.
- power-assisted: cars with power brakes and power windows.

Quotes: “I wonder if fears ever really go away, or if they just lose their power over us.” – Veronica Roth

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“The day the power of love overrules the love of power, the world will know peace.” – Mahatma Gandhi

“Before we acquire great power we must acquire wisdom to use it well.”
– Ralph Waldo Emerson

“The measure of a man is what he does with power.” – Plato

“The authority by which the Christian leader leads is not power but love, not force but example, not coercion but reasoned persuasion. Leaders have power, but power is safe only in the hands of those who humble themselves to serve.” – John Stott

“Power does not corrupt men; fools, however, if they get into a position of power, corrupt power.” – George Bernard Shaw

Bible: Psalm 20:6

Now this I know: The Lord gives victory to his anointed. He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary with the victorious **power** of his right hand.

Matthew 22:29

Jesus replied, “You are in error because you do not know the Scriptures or the **power** of God.”

Luke 4:14-21

Jesus returned to Galilee in the **power** of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.”

John 17:11

I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the **power** of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

Acts 1:8

But you will receive **power** when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Romans 4:20-21

Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had **power** to do what he had promised.

1 Corinthians 6:14

By his **power** God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.

Ephesians 3:16-18

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with **power** through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have **power**, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.