

**God's Resurrection Power
(Ephesians 1:15-2:10)**

BIG IDEA: Only God has the power to bring the dead to life!

3 clear demonstrations of God's resurrection power:

- I. **The power of God was fully displayed as He raised His Son from the dead. (1:15-23)**
 - A. God gave great glory to Jesus Christ through His resurrection power.
 - 1. *Jesus is seated at His Father's right hand.*
 - 2. *Jesus has Authority over all creation.*
 - 3. *Jesus has a Name above all other names.*
 - 4. *Jesus is the only Head of His Church.*
 - B. The same omnipotent power that God used to raise Jesus Christ from the dead is the same power He uses to save sinners from damnation.

- II. **The power of God is fully displayed as He raises sinners from the dead. (2:1-9)**
 - A. Apart from Jesus Christ, we are spiritually dead and totally depraved because of our sin.
 - B. Through God's power, we can be raised with Jesus Christ by faith in Him. This is called "grace!"
 - C. God gets all the credit for our salvation—not us.

- III. **The power of God is fully displayed as He reveals and accomplishes His sovereign plan. (2:10)**
 - A. Before God created the world, He determined to make every Christian His unique "workmanship."
 - B. Before God created the world, He prepared specific good works for every Christian to fulfill.

Application

1. Never doubt the **truth** of God's resurrection power.
2. Never underestimate the **authority** of God's resurrection power.
3. Never ignore or forsake God's **plan** to reveal His resurrection power through you.
4. Daily **anchor** your faith, hope, satisfaction and rest in God's resurrection power.
5. Daily **exalt** God's resurrection power by **living out** the truths of the Gospel of Jesus Christ:
 - **Tell others that Jesus saves.** (*Acts 4:12; Romans 10:13*)
 - **Recognize that you are alive in Him** (*Ephesians 2:5; Romans 6:11*) **and set your mind "on things above."** (*Colossians 3:1-4*)
 - **Love God and love others.** (*Matthew 22:37-40*)
 - **Commit to growing in the grace knowledge of Jesus Christ.** (*2 Peter 3:18*)