

OUR MIGHTY GOD

What Child Is This? — Part 2

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"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6 (NIV)

"...a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people..." Luke 24:19 (ESV)

"Jesus completely amazed the people. They said, 'He has done everything well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute talk.'" Mark 7:37 (GW)

"They were all filled with awe and praised God. 'A great prophet has appeared among us,' they said. 'God has come to help His people.'" Luke 7:16 (NIV)

"The disciples were amazed. 'Who is this man?' they asked. 'Even the winds and waves obey Him!'" Matthew 8:27 (NLT)

"But as soon as the demon was forced out, the man began to speak. The crowds were amazed and said, 'We have never seen anything like this in Israel!'" Matthew 9:33 (GW)

"When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man." Matthew 9:8 (NIV)

JESUS AS OUR MIGHTY GOD IS RELEVANT TO OUR LIFE BECAUSE...

A. He is able to save us.

"You are to name Him Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." Matthew 1:21 (NLT)

"He is forever able to save the people He leads to God, because He always lives to speak to God for them." Hebrews 7:25 (CEV)

B. He is able to support us.

"To Him who is able to keep you from falling and to bring you faultless and joyful before His glorious presence—to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, might, and authority, from all ages past, and now, and forever and ever! Amen." Jude 24-25 (GNT)

C. He is able to secure us.

"That is why I am suffering here in jail and I am certainly not ashamed of it, for I know the one in whom I trust, and I am sure that He is able to safely guard all that I have given Him until the day of His return." 2 Timothy 1:12 (TLB)

"I am absolutely sure that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day." (Williams Translation)

D. He is able to strengthen us.

Four Levels of Strength God Can Give Us

1. The Escape Level

"Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me." 2 Corinthians 12:8 (NIV)

2. The Endurance Level

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"Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.'" 2 Corinthians 12:8-9a (NIV)

3. The Enjoyment Level

"Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses..." 2 Corinthians 12:9b (NIV)

4. The Empowerment Level

"Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." 2 Corinthians 12:9b (NIV)

E. He is able to stretch us.

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)