

GREATER WORKS THAN THESE

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In John14:10-13 Jesus said: Believest thou not that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me; He doeth the works. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works sake. Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on me; the works that I do shall he do also: *and greater works than these shall he do*; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

What works did Jesus do? He preached the word, spoke the truth, healed the sick, made the blind to see, made the lame walk, raised people from the dead. Miraculous works to be sure.

In man's lowliness of thought, Jesus was a good man and did many good deeds. These were but the prelude of what was really going on; and the scope of the higher importance of what was to come by the accomplished works of Jesus.

What works did Jesus do? *He became a man!* For verily He took not on Him the nature of angels; but He took on Him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behooved Him to be made like unto His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to succour them that are tempted. **Heb.2:16-18.**

He became a servant! But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men. **Phil 2:7**

He humbled Himself! And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. **Phil 2:8**

Jesus withered the Fig tree before the disciples; and they committed: How soon is the Fig tree withered away! Jesus answered and said unto them, verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the Fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive. **Matt.21:21,22.**

The man with a lunatic son brought him to the disciples. But the disciples could not cure him. Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I suffer you? Bring him hither to me. Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour.

Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, why could not we cast him out? Jesus said: **Because of your unbelief:** for verily I say unto you, if ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, remove to yonder place: and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you. Howbeit, this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting. **Matt.17:15-21**

And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues: they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them: they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. **Mark 16:17,18.**

The seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And He said unto them, I beheld satan as lightening fall from heaven. 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.

Notwithstanding, in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you: but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven. **Luke 10:17-20.**

But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. ...Let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. **James 1:6-8.**

... Though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. **I Cor.13:2.**

And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. **I Cor.13:3.**

Jesus, has given us power! Just as He gave to the apostles. So we too can magnify the Power of our God by faith in Christ and through Christ; before men and angels. Power; over all the power of the enemy. Notwithstanding, in this rejoice not! But rather that your name is written in heaven. Power for these greater works.

What are these greater works? Having the power to resist the devil, Having the power to put down evil imaginations, Having the power to remove mountains that arise or the power to climb over them. Having the power to mortify the deeds of the body. Having the power to keep fighting, Having the power to keep ourselves in the love of God, Having the power not to be deceived by the things in the world. These are truly greater works; However, the greatest work of all is to **BELIEVE**, that God is real and that He sent His Son, His only Son into the world to **DIE!** For **our SINS**; and the **SINS** of the **WHOLE WORLD!**

This **GREATEST WORK OF BELIEVING**, is what affords **US** the **POWER**, for the greater works mentioned in the previous paragraph. Without Faith in God and His Christ, **NO ONE** can or will stand in that **GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD.**

I declare these words for myself and for all those that are in Christ. Believest thou not that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: But the Father that dwelleth in me; He doeth the works!

These verses are not here to accommodate man with a blank check from Jesus, to fulfill your getting anything **YOU** want; which usually equates to earthly wealth and things.

But rather they are here to assure us that if we ask **anything in Jesus name; that's in harmony with the will and principles of God;** (which are eternal and everlasting things) then God will be more than happy to grant our requests. For it is the Father's good pleasure to give us the Kingdom.

And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us: and if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him. **I John 5:14,15.**

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye, and above all these things, put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. **Col.3:12,13.**

He will not withhold anything from us that pertains to life and godliness. **II Peter 1:3.**

Make no mistake; without the accomplished work of Christ, and our believing in the ONE that sent Him; There would be no “Greater Works Than These”; for without Him we can do nothing!

I exhort you, to hold fast to your faith; strive to grow in it; for with Him and through Him comes the POWER of Heaven itself. **Amen.**

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