

The Attributes of God ~ His Omnipotence

Intro: God is all powerful, able to do all He pleases.

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning
God created the heavens and the earth.

Isaiah 44:24

Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer,
and the one who formed you from the womb,
"I, the LORD, am the maker of all things,
Stretching out the heavens by Myself
And spreading out the earth all alone,

Genesis 18:14 a

Is anything too hard for the LORD?

Observation:

- Carefully **read** and **reread** the text.
- Note** all persons, nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, conjunctions & articles.
- Ask:** Who? What? When? Where? How? & Why?
Find answers in the text, *only!*
- Note** and **mark** key words and ideas, as well as their *relationships* with one another.

Note and mark

- What God created. *Genesis 1:1*
- How God created the heavens and earth. *Isaiah 44:24*

Interpretation:

Genesis 1:1 Read *Genesis* chapter 1. How did God create the heavens and the

earth? _____

How does God's manner of creation illustrate His Omnipotence? _____

Isaiah 44:24 Why does God emphasize His sole involvement in the creation?

Genesis 18:14a What is the answer to this question? _____

What is the significance of this verse? _____

Note:

It is the primary question of the ages. 'Where did everything come from?'

Scripture wastes no time in answering it. God created everything! And He did it simply by speaking everything into existence! The heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

That He created it all by Himself from nothing with merely the effort of a spoken word is a demonstration of the immeasurable power of God.

Note:

What makes this question more incredible than it already is, is that it is in the rhetorical form. That it is asked sardonically by the LORD Himself infuses it with greater emphasis.

The question seems to imply, 'How can you even think of anything too difficult for Me. I'm God!'

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Matthew 19:26

Jesus looked at them and said,
"With man this is impossible,
but with God all things are possible."

Luke 1:37

For nothing is impossible with God."

Acts 26:8

Why should any of you consider it incredible
that God raises the dead?

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Note and mark

- What is possible with God. Matthew 19:26
- What is impossible with God. Luke 1:37
- What God is able to raise. Acts 26:8

Interpretation:

Matthew 19:26 What 'things' was Jesus speaking of in light of the context?

What does this say about God? _____

Luke 1:37 Why does Gabriel make this statement? _____

What is the significance of this statement? _____

Acts 26:8 What is the point of this question? _____

Note:

The specific thing in question here was the salvation of sinful men. Jesus here does the bad news - good news routine by first illustrating how difficult it is for sinners to save themselves ...an impossible feat according to Christ. But the good news is that 'all things are possible' with God! Praise God!

Note:

Can you think of anything more impossible than a woman bearing a son without being impregnated, naturally or artificially? Neither could Mary. Hence the pronouncement by Gabriel attesting to God's ability to do the miraculous!

Note:

This question is part of Paul's testimony before King Agrippa. Look at it carefully to appreciate its simple boldness, for it states the obvious.

Application Principles: In light of what you have learned, what **Truths** or **Principles** are taught in these texts about God's Omnipotence?

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Write out a verse from above that you would like to memorize and/or meditate upon:

Application Practicals: In light of these Truths & Principles, what will you **do** to apply them to your life **today**?

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From what you learned, how is God different from His creation and/or creatures?

Final Note:

The Omnipotence of God is the application of His Sovereignty! God is able to do as He pleases because He has the Power to do so! And He does so simply by decree. Such is His Power!

*God is Omnipotent
Nothing is impossible with Him!*