

God's Power. He is able.

He Is Able To Deliver You

Stories Of God's Might

1. Job. Job 42:10. God gave Job **twice as much** as the devil took from him.
2. Joseph. Gen.39:20; 41:43. Taken from **prison** to the **palace**.
3. Jews. Exodus 12:31. Delivered from **Egyptian bondage**. Ten plagues.
4. King Hezekiah. 2 Kings 19:35. Rescued from the **Assyrian army**. 185,000 died.
5. Three Hebrews. Daniel 3:16,17 No harm from the "**fiery furnace**."
6. Daniel. Daniel 6:22 Delivered from the "**lion's den**."

Stories Of God's Martyrs

1. Isaiah. **Sawed** in two. Heb. 11:32 (tradition)
2. John the Baptist. **Beheaded**. Luke 9:9
3. Christ's apostles: James-**martyred**. Acts 12:2; Peter and John. John 21:18-23
4. Hall of Faith believers. "**mocked, scourged, chained**," etc. Hebrews 11:35-38
5. Reformation martyrs: John Huss **burned at the stake**.
6. Modern day martyrs: Jim Elliot, Nate Saint in jungle of Ecuador. Others

Sources Of Strength

1. God: Father, Son, Holy Spirit. "Greater is He that is in you...." 1 John 4:4
2. God's promises: "No temptation...." 1 Cor. 10:13; No comparison. Rom. 8:18,35
3. Other believers: Macedonians to Jewish believers. 2 Cor. 8:1ff; 1 John 3:16,17

Scriptural Responses To Adversity

1. Count it **all joy**... we'll become "**perfect**" and "**complete**." James 1:2-4
2. Give thanks "**for all**"...Eph. 5:20; "**in all things**"= God's will. 1 Thess. 5:18
3. Endure **suffering**...this is **commendable**. 1 Peter 2:19
4. Be **patient**...Christ's coming is at hand. James 5:7,8; "**reward**" Rev. 22:12
5. Anticipate the **future reward**. Romans 8:18; "**crown**" Rev. 2:10; James 1:12

Let's not forget to

- ***Bear** one another's **burdens**, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6:2; Heb. 12:12
- ***Commit** each other **to Him** who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us. Eph. 3:20
- ***Love one another** as Christ loves the church. John 13:34,35
- *Thank God for **opportunities to trust Him** in our darkest hour. Psalm 23

Our Ultimate Goal

To glorify God in our body by life or by death. Phil. 1:20