

## **Impossible - Possible**

### **What's impossible for man is made possible by God**

**Purpose:** *This study will help answer the questions of what is possible for God and man through God's power.*

**Matthew 19:25-26** When his disciples heard *it*, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved? <sup>26</sup>But Jesus beheld *them*, and said unto them, With men this is **impossible**; but with God all things are **possible**.

When his disciples <sup>G3101</sup> heard <sup>G191</sup> it, they were exceedingly <sup>G4970</sup> amazed <sup>G1605</sup>, saying <sup>G3004</sup>, Who <sup>G5101</sup> then <sup>G686</sup> can <sup>G1410</sup> be saved <sup>G4982</sup>?

<sup>26</sup>But Jesus <sup>G2424</sup> beheld <sup>G1689</sup> them, and said <sup>G2036</sup> unto them, With men <sup>G444</sup> this <sup>G5124</sup> is **impossible** <sup>G102</sup>; but with God <sup>G2316</sup> all <sup>G3956</sup> things are **possible** <sup>G1415</sup>.

**G1415** dunatos *doo-nat-os'* From G1410; *powerful* or *capable* (literally or figuratively); neuter *possible*:—able, could, (that is) mighty (man), possible, power, strong.

**G101** adunateō *ad-oo-nat-eh'-o* From G102; to *be unable*, that is, (passively) *impossible*:—be impossible.

**G102** adunatos *ad-oo'-nat-os* From G1 (as a negative particle) and G1415; *unable*, that is, *weak* (literally or figuratively); passively *impossible*:—could not do, impossible, impotent, not possible, weak.

**Mark 10:17-27** And when he was gone forth into the way, there came one running, and kneeled to him, and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may inherit eternal life? <sup>18</sup>And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? *there is* none good but one, *that is*, God. <sup>19</sup>Thou knowest the commandments, Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Defraud not, Honour thy father and mother. <sup>20</sup>And he answered and said unto him, Master, all these have I observed from my youth. <sup>21</sup>Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me. <sup>22</sup>And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions. <sup>23</sup>And Jesus looked round about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. <sup>26</sup>And they were astonished out of measure, saying among themselves, Who then can be saved? <sup>27</sup>And Jesus looking upon them saith, With men *it is impossible*, but not with God: for with God all things are **possible**.

**Luke 1:37** For with God nothing shall be **impossible**. <sup>38</sup>And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

**Luke 1:37** For with God <sup>G2316</sup> nothing <sup>G3756-G3956-G4487</sup> shall be **impossible** <sup>G101</sup>.

**Luke 28:26-27** And they that heard *it* said, Who then can be saved?

<sup>27</sup>And he said, The things which are **impossible** with men are **possible** with God.

**G101 adunateō** *ad-oo-nat-eh'-o* From G102; to be *unable*, that is, (passively) *impossible*:—be impossible.

**G102 adunatos** *ad-oo'-nat-os* From G1 (as a negative particle) and G1415; *unable*, that is, *weak* (literally or figuratively); passively *impossible*:—could not do, impossible, impotent, not possible, weak.

**Matt 17:18-21** And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour. <sup>19</sup>Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, Why could not we cast him out? <sup>20</sup>And Jesus said unto them, 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 hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be **impossible** unto you. <sup>21</sup>Howbeit this kind goeth not out but by prayer and fasting.

**Rom 8:1-4** *There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

<sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For what the law **could not do**, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: <sup>4</sup>That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

For what<sup>G3588</sup> the law<sup>G3551</sup> **could**<sup>G102</sup> **not do**, in that it was weak<sup>G770</sup> through<sup>G1223</sup> the flesh<sup>G456</sup>

**G102 adunatos** *ad-oo'-nat-os* From G1 (as a negative particle) and G1415; *unable*, that is, *weak* (literally or figuratively); passively *impossible*:—could not do, impossible, impotent, not possible, weak.

**Acts 14:8** And there sat a certain man at Lystra, **impotent** in his feet (impotent<sup>G102</sup> in his feet<sup>G4228</sup>), being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked: <sup>9</sup>The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, <sup>10</sup>Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

**Heb 10:3-6** But in those *sacrifices there is* a remembrance again *made* of sins every year. <sup>4</sup>For *it is not possible* that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. <sup>5</sup>Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: <sup>6</sup>In burnt offerings and *sacrifices* for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

**Heb 6:18** Wherein God, willing more abundantly to show unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed *it* by an oath: <sup>18</sup>That by two immutable things, in which *it was impossible* for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

**Heb 6:17-18** Wherein<sup>G1722-G3757</sup> God<sup>G2316</sup>, willing<sup>G1014</sup> more<sup>G4054</sup> abundantly<sup>G4054</sup> to show<sup>G1925</sup> unto the heirs<sup>G2818</sup> of promise<sup>G1860</sup> the immutability<sup>G276</sup> of his counsel<sup>G1012</sup>, confirmed<sup>G3315</sup> it by an oath<sup>G3727</sup>: <sup>18</sup>That by two<sup>G1417</sup> immutable<sup>G276</sup> things, in which<sup>G3739</sup> it was **impossible**<sup>G102</sup> for God<sup>G2316</sup> to lie<sup>G5574</sup>, we might have<sup>G2192</sup> a strong<sup>G2478</sup> consolation<sup>G3874</sup>, who<sup>G3588</sup> have fled<sup>G2703</sup> for refuge<sup>G2703</sup> to lay hold<sup>G2902</sup> upon the hope<sup>G1680</sup> set<sup>G4295</sup> before<sup>G4295</sup> us:

**Heb 11:5-6** By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God. <sup>6</sup>But without faith *it is impossible* to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

### **Able – Possible – G-Dunatos**

**Heb 11:17-19** By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, <sup>18</sup>Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: <sup>19</sup>Accounting that God **was able** to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.

**Mark 9:23** Jesus said unto him, If thou **canst (able)** believe, all things **are possible** to him that believeth. <sup>24</sup>And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief. <sup>25</sup>When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, *Thou* dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.

**Luke 24:19** And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? <sup>19</sup>And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet **mighty** in deed and word before God and all the people:

**2 Cor 9:8** And God **is able** to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may abound to every good work:

**2 Tim 1:12** For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he **is able** to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day. <sup>13</sup>Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup>That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.

**Tit 1:9** For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre; <sup>8</sup>But a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate; <sup>9</sup>Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be **able** by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.

### **Able – Possible – G-Dunamai**

**Rom 8:37-39** Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, <sup>39</sup>Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall **be able** to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**G1410** dunamai Of uncertain affinity; to **be able or possible**:—be able, can (do, + -not), could, may, might, be possible, **be of power**.

**Matt 9:27-30** And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on us. <sup>28</sup>And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am **able to do** this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. <sup>29</sup>Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. <sup>30</sup>And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See *that* no man know *it*.

**Luke 3:8** And all flesh shall see the salvation of God. <sup>7</sup>Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bring forth therefore fruits worthy of repentance, and begin not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, That God is **able** of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

**Eph 3:19-21** And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now unto him that is **able to do** exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, <sup>21</sup>Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

**Eph 6:10-17** Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may **be able to stand** against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*. <sup>13</sup>Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, **that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand**. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; <sup>15</sup>And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; <sup>16</sup>Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith **ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked**. <sup>17</sup>And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

**Phil 3:21** Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby **he is able even to subdue all things unto himself**.

**Heb 7:25** Wherefore he **is able** also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

**2 Tim 3:15** But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned *them*; <sup>15</sup>And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, **which are able to make thee wise unto salvation** through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

**Jude 24** Now unto him that **is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless** before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, <sup>25</sup>To the only wise God our Saviour, *be* glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and for ever. Amen.

**G1411-dunamis**-From G1410; *force* (literally or figuratively); specifically **miraculous power** (usually by implication a *miracle* itself):—ability, abundance, meaning, **might** (-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle (-s), **power, strength**, violence, **mighty** (wonderful) work.

**Matt 6:13** And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the **power**, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

**Matt 7:22** Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many **wonderful works?**

**Matt 13:54-58** And when he was come into his own country, he taught them in their synagogue, insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this *man* this wisdom, and *these* **mighty works**? <sup>55</sup>Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

<sup>56</sup>And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this *man* all these things?

<sup>57</sup>And they were offended in him. But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, save in his own country, and in his own house. <sup>58</sup>And he did not many **mighty works** there because of their unbelief.

**Rom 1:16** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the **power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth**; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

<sup>17</sup>For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

**Rom 9:17** For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that **I might show my power in thee**, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth.

**2 Cor 12:12** Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and **mighty deeds**.

**Eph 1:19-21** And what *is* the exceeding greatness of **his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power**. <sup>20</sup>Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places*, <sup>21</sup>Far above all principality, and **power, and might, and dominion**, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come

**Eph 3:7** Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the **effectual working of his power**.

<sup>8</sup>Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

<sup>9</sup>And to make all *men* see what *is* the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

**Eph 3:16** That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, **to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man**;

**Eph 3:20** And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. <sup>20</sup>Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, **according to the power that worketh in us**,

**Phil 3:10** That I may know him, and the **power of his resurrection**, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death; <sup>11</sup>If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

**Col 3:10-11** That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; <sup>11</sup>**Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power**, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

**Col 1:29** Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, **to fulfil the word of God**; <sup>26</sup>*Even* the **mystery** which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is **made manifest to his saints**: <sup>27</sup>To whom God would **make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery** among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: <sup>28</sup>Whom **we preach**, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may **present every man perfect in Christ Jesus**: <sup>29</sup>Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me **mightily**.

**Phil 4:13** <sup>11</sup>Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, *therewith* to be content. <sup>12</sup>I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. <sup>13</sup>**I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.**

<sup>13</sup>I can<sup>G2480</sup> do<sup>G2480</sup> **all<sup>G3956</sup> things through<sup>G1722</sup> Christ<sup>G5547</sup> which<sup>G3588</sup> strengtheneth<sup>G1743</sup> me.**

**G3956 – pas** - Including all the forms of declension; apparently a primary word; *all, any, every, the whole*:—all (manner of, means) alway (-s), any (one), X daily, + ever, every (one, way), as many as, + no (-thing), X throughly, whatsoever, whole, whosoever.

**G1743 - endunamoō** - From [G1722](#) and [G1412](#); to **empower:—enable**, (increase in) strength (-en), be (make) strong.

### **Only one thing that is impossible for God:**

**Heb 6:18** Wherein God, willing more abundantly to show unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed *it* by an oath: <sup>18</sup>That by two immutable things, in which ***it was impossible for God to lie***, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

### **So what is possible for God?**

- Power of resurrection
- Signs, wonders and mighty deeds
- **power** of God unto salvation to every one that believeth
- **is able** to keep you from falling, and to present *you* faultless
- he **is able** even to subdue all things unto himself.
- **is able** also to save them to the uttermost that come
- And God **is able** to make all grace abound toward you;
- Accounting that God **was able** to raise *him* up, even from the dead;
- The things which are **impossible** with men are **possible** with God.
- For with God nothing shall be **impossible**
- With men *it is impossible*, but not with God: for with God all things are **possible**.

### **So what are we able to do with HIS power, might and strength?**

- Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may **be able** to stand against the wiles of the devil.
- that ye may **be able** to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand
- ye shall **be able** to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked
- that he may be **able** by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers.
- to be strengthened with **might** by his Spirit in the inner man;
- Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the **power** that worketh in us,
- Strengthened with all **might**, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;
- Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me **mightily**.
- all things **are possible** to him that believeth.
- I can do all things through Christ which **strengtheneth** me.

