

## When Living Means Christ, We Have Strength

"I can make it through anything in the One Who makes me who I am" (The Message)  
Philippians 4:13

In Christ, We Have the Enabling Power of God for Every Contingency - Phil 4:13

- It is a part of our birthright as God's children - Ps 29:11; II Pet 1:3
- It is the means by which we receive the energizing, overcoming, enabling strength of God for "all things"  
- Eph 1:18-20
- It is all found in the cross of Jesus Christ - I Cor 1:18
  - ...I am dead to \_\_\_\_\_
  - ...I am alive to \_\_\_\_\_

The Witness of God's Power Is Upon the Life that Abides in and Abandons to Christ - Matt 11:28-30

- We are strong in His strength when we live by His life - Eph 3:16,20; 6:10; Ps 73:26
- Abiding is the place of receptivity - "come to Me" - Matt 11:28
  - ...His power is received by abiding - Is 41:10
- Abandoning is the place of responsivity - "take My yoke" - Matt 11:29
  - ...His power is activated by abandoning - Dan 11:32

God Gives Strength to Our Weakness and Meekness - Is 40:28-31; Is 57:15

- When we own our weaknesses, we are made strong - II Cor 12:9-10
- The promise of strength is for those who wait upon the Lord in humility - Ps 10:17; Is 40:31

God's Power Is for God's Glory, Not Ours - II Cor 4:7

- His power is for His purposes, not ours - II Tim 1:11-12
- God's power is not what we need to live the Christian life, it is what we have when we are living the Christian life... when living means Christ!