

Put Him up there

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Petrified yet Peaceful

Rom 15:8 For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs,⁹ and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name."¹⁰ And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people."¹¹ And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him."¹² And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope."¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

One of the most powerful things we can do as believers is to proclaim God's greatness. If we can spend more time to actually emphasize His greatness and splendor, the things that make us petrified in this world, will not seem as scary. All things are relevant to something. Bankrupt is a crisis, evidently strong enough to make any of us petrified. Yet, in comparison with the power of God working in His principle of seed, it is something to laugh upon. The first step to taking on the world, or even the enemy is to place God up there! How is this done? How will this affect things around me?

1. How is this done?

1.1. Understand that He is already up there.

- a) Praising God for what is not the truth is idolatry.
 - Do not praise God for what He is not truthfully.
 - You don't have the ability to change God, but to remind yourself of the truth.
- b) Discover that He is up there.
 - Take the Bible and discover who He is.
 - Listen to testimony and learn about Him.

1.2. Make it loud!

- a) To put God up there is an action that needs to be done physically.
- b) Your spirit will believe that He is up there, but your body does not agree.
- c) You don't change God's opinion of Himself, when you put Him up there, rather you
 - Remind yourself, convince your Body and change your mindset
 - Remind the enemy, petrify Him, help him understand that you KNOW!
 - Remind your fellow believers about God and what He can do.

1.3. Declare

- a) What He said
- b) Who He is
- c) What my actions will accomplish

2. How will it affect things around me?

2.1. It builds faith

- a) Faith is something that needs to be built and Encourages us to action.

2.2. Changes your mind.

- a) Our minds are influenced by fear and holds us from taking action.

2.3. Gives you hope

- a) Hope produces endurance and hope gives us courage to continue.

2.4. Does all of that to those around us

- a) We affect other believers when we publicly declare God's greatness.

Things to think and do

- Lift Him up!
- When was the last time you reminded the enemy how big your God is?

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