

POWER

Intro. What do you think of as a symbol of power in a person? Big fist, arm, voice, pocketbook? What would be a good way to ~~describe~~ prove God powerful? Rom 1 tells us 3 ways. Show 3 slides.

I. Creation, 1:20.

Remember 1st slide. Water and clouds. 72% of surface of earth water. If surface 1 mi lower then all continents joined. If no mts, if all flat like Texas then ocean would cover globe nearly 2 mi deep. Who keeps it in place. God.

Takes power to do. Ever hold a glass of water 1 min. Easy. 1 hour? How about a bucket. 1 day. How about all the oceans, 1 sec. Then add the land and weight of earth 6952 plus 21 0's. Then all the sun. It weighs 1,300,000 times earth. Then whole universe. Proves power of God.

II. Resurrection, 1:4.

Something more powerful than creation, Psa 8:3. Res or X. Not rolling stone. Explain. Take 4 men. But bringing somebody back to life and more--to new body that will never die. Only God could do and proves His power, Eph. 1:19-20.

III. Salvation, 1:16.

Remember 3rd slide. Power of God most seen in taking sinner and making him fit for heaven. What is this power? Gospel. X died for sin. What is result of it? Salvation for believing. Isa 53:1 Arm bared. God rolling up sleeve and saying I've fought the battle of sin, death, hell, and won. If you'll take X into heart I'll save. Is He powerful enough? Look at creation, look at open tomb, look at Dying Saviour. Trust Him.