

GREATER WORKS slides

Greater works come through faith in Jesus.

Luke 10:17-20 "The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Romans 1:16 "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."

1 Corinthians 1:18 "For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."

Greater works are possible because Jesus intercedes for us.

John 16:7 "Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you."

Romans 8:26-27 "Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself *intercedes for us* with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God."

Greater works of Jesus come through greater prayer.

1 John 5:14-15 "And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him."

Phil Ryken, Kingdom Come, "Most of us spend a fair amount of time offering...emergency prayer. The things that really motivate us to pray are the things we feel desperate about. As a result, God hears a lot about our physical/*emotional* problems, our financial needs, and whatever struggles we are having in our daily work. These are all good things to pray about (Lord's pray, Give us this day our daily bread...)... Our Father loves to hear what we need and then provide it...Kingdom prayer is explicitly directed toward the greater glory of God. It is prayer for the unhindered expansion and unlimited extension of His rule. It is prayer for missions and evangelism, for pastors and churches, for towns and cities, for nations and people groups. It is prayer for people who are lost to find their salvation in Jesus Christ."

A.W. Pink "True, HE would be in heaven, and they on earth, but prayer could remove all sense of distance, prayer could bring them into His very presence at any time."

Acts 1:1 “In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus *began* to do and teach...

Acts 4:29-30 “And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to *continue to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand* to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.”

James 4:1-3 “What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.”

Ephesians 1:3 “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places...