

Hello Hope Church,

Last Sunday was an Easter for the ages, wasn't it? It is hard to believe that we had to celebrate the most holiest of days, the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, while being physically separated from each other. Yes, it was difficult not being physically together but the closeness and oneness was still felt even from afar! Did you feel it? It was an amazing reminder of the incredible power of the Holy Spirit in each of us, individually, and in all of us, collectively, as His church. How incredible is that power? It is the very same power that resurrected Jesus from the dead that very first Easter! As Paul says to the church at Ephesus...

*"I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know... **His incomparably great power for us who believe.** That power is like the working of His mighty strength, which He exerted in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly realms." (Ephesians 1:18-20)*

In these crazy times, you may feel powerless. You may feel powerless about the Coronavirus, powerless of your job situation and finances, powerless in dealing with your kids cooped up in a house 24/7, and/or powerless to control your attitude. This is understandable. But we, as believers, have God in us! We pray, like Paul, that you may know, truly know deep in your soul, that **you do have the power, God's resurrection power, to overcome life's circumstances...** no matter how bewildering those circumstances may be. Tap into that power and remember that you can do all things through Christ, who strengthens you!

In His power,

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