

**The Attributes of God**  
***Attribute #12 - Omnipotent***

1. Omnipotent - Within the person of God lies all power to perform. His power is limitless; it has no bounds. There is nothing too difficult for Him.

A. Ex.9: 16; 15:6-7

B. Psalm 29:3-9; 62:11; 105:26-41; 111:6

1. David attributed the rise of the storm over the mighty waters (the Mediterranean Sea) to the voice of the LORD. Though voice may be a poetic designation of thunder (cf. 18:13), it probably also was meant to convey that He who created by His word (cf. Gen. 1:3, 6, 9, 14, 20, 24) also controls nature by His word so that a thunderstorm evidences His power.

C. Matt.19: 26

D. Mark 19: 26; Mark 10:27; Mark 11:22

1. Jesus exhorted the disciples, have faith in God. Faith that rests in God is unwavering trust in His omnipotent power and unfailing goodness (cf. 5:34).

E. Rev.19: 1

F. Job 42:2

G. Luke 1:37

H. John 10:29

1. That is, no one is strong enough to snatch any of Jesus' flock from the Father's hand (or from Jesus' hand, (v. 28). "What My Father has given Me is greater than all." The thought of the verse is that the Father who is omnipotent secures the flock by His power and protection. God's plan of salvation for Jesus' flock cannot be aborted.

2. God is able to do whatever He pleases.

A. Job 5:9

B. Jer. 32:17

C. Rev. 1:8

D. Psalm 115:3; 135:6

1. It does not diminish the power of God that He has no desire or will to accomplish something. He cannot lie, or deny

Himself; but these are things that He does not please to do, because they are inconsistent with His perfections.

2. It is also true that God cannot do things that which imply contradiction in themselves; such as, to make a thing to be and not to be at the same time, or to make a circle to be at the same time a square, or to make a rock that He can't lift. When we say God is omnipotent because He can do whatever He pleases, it must be remembered that His will is determined by His nature. It is certainly no limitation to perfection to say that it cannot be imperfect.
3. With God means are not necessary. He wills and it is done.
  - a. Let there be light = there was light
  - b. By an act of the will, He healed the sick, opened the eyes of the blind, and raised the dead.
  - c. That God can do without effort, and by an act of His will, whatever is pleasing to Him, is the highest conceivable idea of power, and is that which is clearly presented in Scripture.
3. God's power is seen in:
  - A. Creation – Romans 1:20
  - B. Conversion of souls - Greater power is displayed in conversion than in creation.
    1. When He made the world, He had no opposition, but when He converts a sinner, He meets with opposition.
      - a. Satan opposes Him
      - b. The heart opposes Him
      - c. Creation is the "work of God's fingers" (Psalm 8:3)  
Conversion is the "work of God's arm" (Luke 1:51)
      - d. In creation, there was one miracle – He spoke  
In conversion, the dead are raised, the blind are made to see, and the deaf hear the word of the Son of God.
  - C. Special references to Divine Ability:
    1. He is able to deliver – Dan. 3:17
    2. He is able to raise up children from stones – Luke 3:8
    3. He is able to fulfill promises – Romans 4:21
    4. He is able to make grace abound – 2 Cor. 9:8
    5. He is able to do exceedingly abundantly – Eph. 3:20
    6. He is able to subdue all things – Phil. 3:21

7. He is able to guard the soul's treasure – 2 Tim. 1:12
8. He is able to save forever – Heb. 7:25
9. He is able to keep us from falling – Jude 24
10. He is able to use weak instruments – 1 Cor.1:27-29:

D. His power is against the wicked – Heb. 10:31