

IMMEASURABLY MORE



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Prayer for Today

Dear Lord,
When I feel inadequate or weak, remind me that the source of all strength and power is within. Help me rely on You and not on myself. Give me a glimpse of what my life could be if I truly gave full control to You. Then give me the courage to do so. Amen

Ephesians 3: 20-21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

Sometimes we can become complacent in life and settle for 'average'. A nice home, a nice family, a nice job, nice friends...the problem with nice is that it is not what we were meant to experience in life. We have a power at work within us that is able to do immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine. We have dreams...God can bring them to pass. We have hopes we don't even dare to articulate...God can make them a reality. We have problems we ask for help with...He is ready and more than able to guide us through them.

I have just returned from Myanmar [formerly Burma] where we saw 1100 Christian pastors and leaders gathering together for the Global Leadership Summit. These people live in a country where they have never experienced freedom as we know it, yet their faith is strong and they are overwhelmed by a great God on a daily basis. They believe what the Bible says to be true, they sacrifice to be obedient to Christ and they stand strong amidst great adversity. I was humbled and reminded of the power of God within us while I was with them.



Our desire has to be to see God's power work in and through us. It's not enough to settle for average or 'nice' - we were made to accomplish extraordinary things and we need to daily submit to the Spirit of God within us to enable to walk into them.

Praying power for you today to do immeasurably more, according to His power that is at work within you!

Love,

Karen Wilson



Get out of the car!

(This is supposedly a true account recorded in the Police Log of Sarasota, Florida.)

An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and, upon returning to her car, found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle.

She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of her lungs, "I have a gun, and I know how to use it! Get out of the car!"

The four men didn't wait for a second threat. They got out and ran like mad.

The lady, somewhat shaken, then proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the driver's seat. She was so shaken that she could not get her key into the ignition.

She tried and tried, and then she realised why. It was for the same reason she had wondered why there was a football, a Frisbee and two 12-packs of beer in the front seat.

A few minutes later, she found her own car parked four or five spaces farther down.

She loaded her bags into

the car and drove to the police station to report her mistake.

The sergeant to whom she told the story couldn't stop laughing.

He pointed to the other end of the counter, where four pale men were reporting a car jacking by a mad, elderly woman described as white, less than five feet tall, glasses, curly white hair, and carrying a large handgun.

No charges were filed.

Moral of the story? If you're going to have a senior moment . . . make it memorable.



Quote for Today

"Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls."

Mother Teresa

It's time to say thankyou to the FRESH Leadership Team...

This year the Women's Ministry in our State of WA has been led by some pretty awesome women! They give up their time voluntarily to serve women across WA and they gather regularly for prayer and planning times.

Each of these women bring different gifting to the team and we are so appreciative of who they are and what they contribute. They have a heart to see women in churches and communities standing strong, using their gifts, being encouraged and inspired and living out the calling of God for their lives.

Thank you to each of them who have been part of seeing this happen.

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