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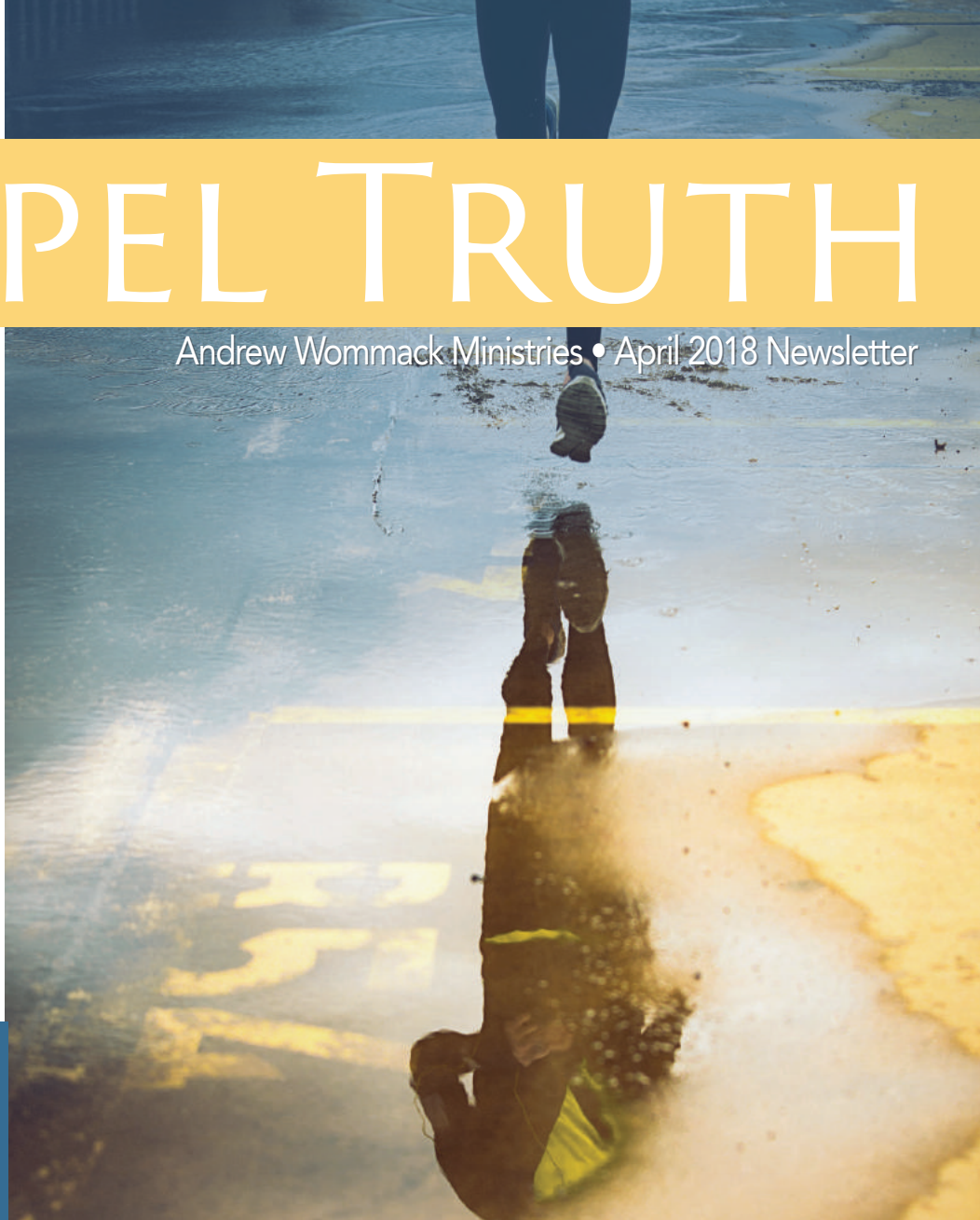
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You have an image on the inside of you of who you are and what you can do. That image is actually like a ceiling, or limit, on God's power and provision in your life. Scripture says that you are an ambassador for Christ (2 Cor. 5:20), but how can you represent Him if you see yourself as finite?

The Lord spoke to me on January 31, 2002, that my small thinking was limiting what He wanted to do through me (Ps. 78:41). So, I began the process of changing the way I saw myself. For years, I thought I had really done well changing the image on the inside of me. Then, in 2014, the Lord spoke to me again about my thinking, saying that it was still too small.

Although I have seen huge increases in every area of my life, God is bigger still. I am on fire for the things He has been showing me, and I'm more excited about the future than I've ever been. But I don't believe this is limited to me. **I believe that the Lord has more for every one of us. But to experience it, we need to stretch ourselves - both for our sakes and for others'.** God has plans for each of us that exceed what we are experiencing (Jer. 29:11).

One of the greatest limits to what God can do in our lives is when we compare ourselves with one another. The latter part of 2 Corinthians 10:12 says,

But they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

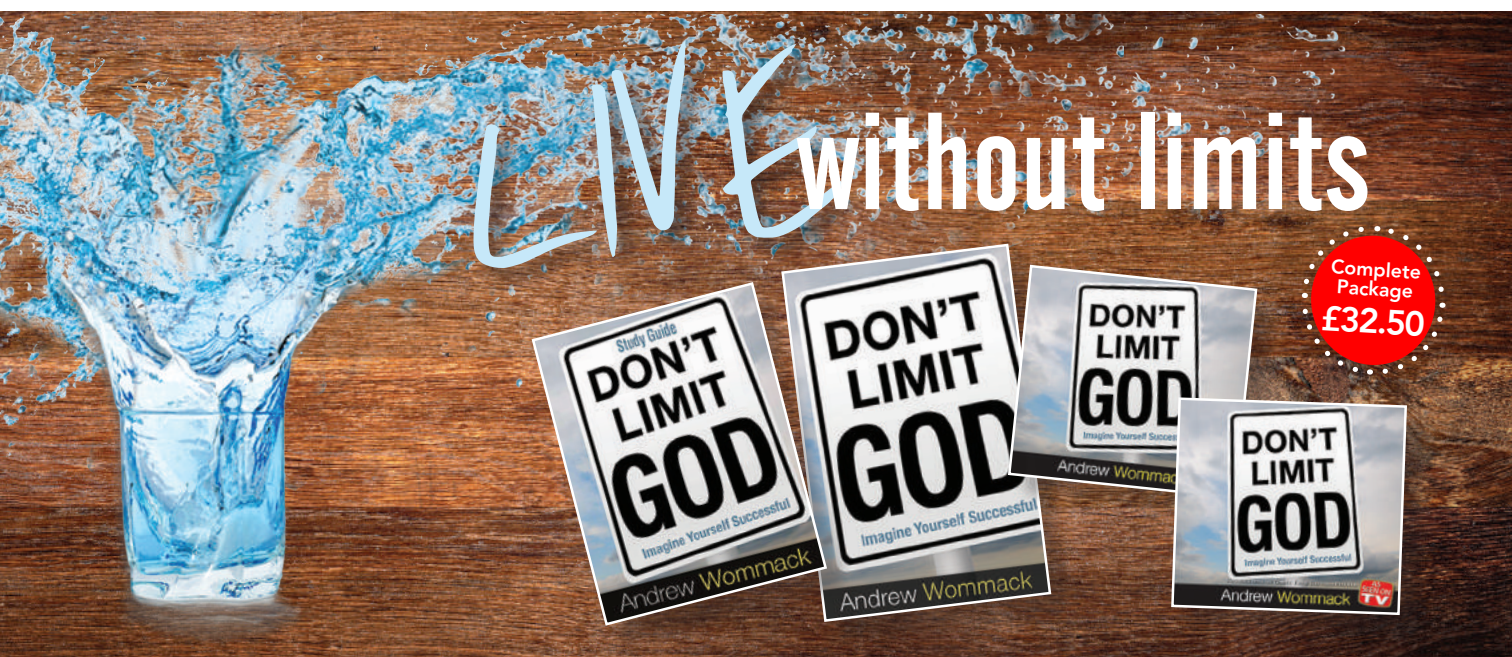
In this verse, Paul wasn't saying that we can't be inspired by seeing what God is doing in others. Rather, he was specifically saying that we should not judge things according to the flesh. And he was one to know. In stature and speech, Paul wasn't the greatest (2 Cor. 10:10). But it didn't matter to him. He didn't let his small size and lack of eloquence limit what God could do through him. Paul took the limits off God and literally changed the world. Two thousand years later, we are still benefiting from the revelations the Lord gave him.

That's the way I want my life to be. How about you? If you've been judging yourself according to the flesh, if you've been comparing yourself with others, you can change the way you see yourself and start believing God for big things!

You need to stir yourself up. I know it takes a lot of effort to keep swimming upstream, hardly stopping to rest and constantly dealing with the possibility of failure. Sometimes it just seems better to take the easy route and hold off on changing things. But that's why you need to have a purpose. **You need to strive toward something bigger than yourself, something that drives you.**

I tell you, if you catch on fire for God, the world will come watch you burn. Everybody loves a fire. It captivates people. And people will be drawn to you once you step out into your purpose.

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God wants to reveal to you His plans and purposes for your life more than you want to know them. Ephesians 5:17 tells us, *"Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is."*

The Lord wants to reveal His will to you, but in order to receive that understanding, you have to remove your limits. Don't evaluate yourself on just your carnal or outward qualities. You are a new person in the spirit, and you can do all things through Christ (Phil. 4:13).

One of the great ways God reveals His will to you is through your desires.

Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Psalm 37:4

What is it that you really want to do? If there were no limits - if money wasn't a factor, if age didn't matter, if God gave you supernatural ability - what is it that would really make you feel like you are making a difference? If you are truly delighting yourself in the Lord, then that desire you have is *from* the Lord. Go for it. Give God something to work with. Set your hand to something so He can bless it (Deut. 28:8). Start taking steps. Before you know it, you'll have moved a long way from where you are now and much closer to where God wants you to be.

I, for one, am going for it. I don't want any gas left in my tank when it's my turn to leave this world. I'm reaching as far and as deep with the Gospel of God's grace as I can, and **I'm finding great satisfaction and joy in trying to take all the limits off God.** I encourage you to do the same.

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These truths have radically changed my life, and I know they will change yours too. Thank you for your friendship with Jamie and me.

We love you,

Andrew and Jamie



MILESTONES: The Vietnam Years

After my supernatural encounter with the Lord on March 23, 1968, I tangibly felt God's presence for four-and-a-half months. Then, somehow, the feeling from that encounter left. I didn't know why, and I didn't know how to get it back. I was still wondering what to do about losing that feeling when, shortly after that, I was drafted into the army—at the height of the Vietnam War.

You might think that bombs dropping and bullets flying really tested my relationship with God. Not so. Certainly, I had to take into consideration that I might die. But the real temptation to ruin my intimacy with the Lord was not out in the jungles somewhere; it was right in my bunker.

For much of my time in Vietnam, I was the only

Christian I knew. Almost everyone else indulged in the drugs, alcohol, and prostitutes that were readily available. Although the constant pressure to sin seemed unbearable at times, I knew it was my choice to indulge or not, to become bitter or better.

This choice went back to the day I received my orders to go to Vietnam. A chaplain was called in to talk to all of us eighteen- to twenty-year-olds. He said, "The army is a fire, and it'll melt you. The good news is, you get to pick what mold you fit into. You won't come out of this the same. If you will choose to serve God, then you'll come out of this better."

That was a word from God to me! I just determined right then and there, that's what I was going to do. I was going to come out of this better off than when I went in.

But at some point while I was in Vietnam, I got to where I was asking God to kill me—to just take me home. It wasn't so I could escape what was happening around me, but it was because I wanted to get back to feeling the presence of the Lord like before. I figured that the only way to experience that again was to go to heaven.

You see, I thought that my relationship with God could be sustained on an emotional level. Once that zing left, I panicked. I know now that that's stupid. But that's what I did. Then one day, I nearly died twice over there, and I found out that I wasn't quite as excited about dying as I thought!

Not knowing what else to do, I buried my nose in the Word of God and spent up to sixteen hours a day seeking the Lord. I remembered that He told me, "Just put My Word in you, and it will do all the rest."

After a while, I started experiencing God again, but in a different way. I had joy and excitement just like before, but this time, they didn't fluctuate. They were based on the Word of God. I no longer needed a goose bump to cope. In this way, God's Word began to produce an abiding stability in my life.

I'm telling you, you would have never heard of me if I hadn't gotten hold of the Word of God. I would have never been ministering and doing the things that I'm doing. I came back from the Vietnam War stronger than horseradish, and because of that, I really believe that going to Vietnam was one of the best things that ever happened to me!



LIVING Devotional

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Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

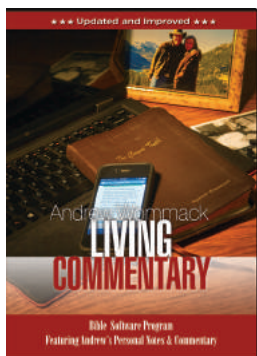
Ephesians 3:20

It is inaccurate to say that God is able to do “*exceeding abundantly*” above all we ask or think, **period**. This verse goes on to say that what God is able to do is according to the power that works in us. No power working in us = no manifestation of God’s power.

The Lord doesn’t work “sovereignly” as the word is most often used; i.e., independently of us. He has to flow through us because of the laws of authority that He established. If the Lord was accomplishing His will without the power that’s working in us, then things would be much better than they are. We limit what God can do, because of our unbelief (Ps. 78:41; Matt. 17:20; Heb. 4:2, and 11:15).

Many use only the first part of this verse and omit “*according to the power that worketh in us,*” and that changes the whole meaning. This verse clearly ties the use of His ability to the power that works in us.

Jesus told us in Acts 1:8 of the power that we would receive when the Holy Ghost comes upon us. Romans 1:16 says that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation. However, Christ is called the power of God (1 Cor. 1:24), and in context (Christ dwelling in our hearts, Eph. 3:17), this is Paul’s probable meaning here. The power of God could also be referring to all the operation of God in our lives including Christ, the power of the Holy Ghost, faith, the Word, love, etc.



In order for us to see more of God’s “*exceeding*” abundant power in our lives, we need to have close relationship with Him. And what better way to do that than by studying His Word? God has magnified His Word above His name (Ps. 138:2), so that says something about how important it is, amen?

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www.awme.net/living-commentary.



CHANGE More Lives with Us!

It was in the month of April last year when I saw this new lady at my fellowship group. As we started worshiping, I saw a vision of her in a big field, sitting by herself and crying. The Lord urged me to pray for her. As soon as the fellowship ended, I managed to sit by her and pray for her. I simply conveyed the message that was in my heart.

After a few days had passed, I learned that this woman, Falentine, was suffering from breast cancer. I immediately asked if I could send her some books. Initially, I sent Andrew's books *God Wants You Well* and *A Better Way to Pray*. A few days later, Falentine told me how great the books were and how she had never received such revelation before. So, I sent her more and more books; two of them were *The Believer's Authority* and *Spirit, Soul & Body*.

In December, her condition was worse. It had affected her womb. Her doctor urged her to have her uterus removed, as the uterine wall had thickened to eleven centimeters. Her uterus and ovaries had even developed several tumors.

Falentine decided to go to Penang, Malaysia, for surgery. Right before she left, we prayed together. To her surprise, the doctor in Malaysia wasn't convinced that she had to do the surgery and advised her to come back in a few months.

Falentine decided to fly to Singapore for another checkup. She was surprised to find that the tumor on her left ovary had gotten smaller, and the ones on the



right were completely gone. No cancer was detected, and the doctor explained that there was no reason for them to operate anymore.

She texted me right away: "Speaking to the mountains are true! When I pray, I talk to the mountains!" She continued telling me everything she had learned from Andrew's books and how, for so many months, she was holding on to the revelations she received from the Word of God. Thank You, Father!

Noviana, first-year student Charis Jakarta

From a small fellowship group in Jakarta, Indonesia, and a couple of paperback books comes a miraculous healing. But this isn't about just a *healing*; it's about a life - a real person who now has hope and a future. But these things don't happen by chance. Someone sponsored that fellowship group. Someone translated Andrew's books and got them into the hands of these group members. Andrew Wommack Ministries and Charis Bible College don't do this alone. We are changing lives because of our partners. Our partners are the ones who make things like this happen.

Will you consider joining us? Become a *Grace Partner* and help more people in Indonesia and all over the world experience God's love and grace in a real and tangible way. Thank you for helping us take the Gospel farther and deeper than ever before.

Testimony has been edited for length and clarity.

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