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# Sunday Morning Prayer & Scripture

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## “He’s Not Something, He’s Everything!”

(He Who IS Everything, Created All Things Sparing NO Expense)

**What is the power of God in the universe?** - God's power sustains the universe with planets like jewels, and stars like diamonds, some of which fall, streaking the sky with a glowing display. God sustains the universe with awe, extravagance, beauty, and order.

**What is the energy of God?** - The "energy of God" can be understood as a concept of God's active, creative, and sustaining power, often associated with the Holy Spirit in Christianity. It's not merely a static force, but rather an ongoing, dynamic presence that infuses and moves the entire universe.

**What is the definition of static force?** - A static force refers to a constant force applied to a stationary object. A static force is too weak to move an object because it is being countered by equally strong opposite forces. The most common example of a static force is static friction on a stationary object.

**Examples Of Static Electricity In Our Daily Lives** - When clothing is rubbed against another fabric or the wearer's skin, static electricity is generated, Combs, Television screen, Doorknobs

**Defining Universe:** The term "universe" is often used to mean all of space, time, matter, and energy. If this definition is used, then there are no "outside universes" because everything that exists is part of THE Universe.

## Hebrews 1:2-3

### Amplified Bible

(2) has in these last days spoken [with finality] to us in [the person of One who is by His character and nature] His Son [namely Jesus], whom He appointed heir *and* lawful owner of all things, through whom also He created the universe [that is, the universe as a space-time-matter continuum].

### Amplified Bible

(3) The Son is the radiance *and* only expression of the glory of [our awesome] God [reflecting God's Shekinah glory, the Light-being, the brilliant light of the divine], and the exact representation *and* perfect imprint of His [Father's] essence, and upholding *and* maintaining *and* propelling all things [the entire physical and spiritual universe] by His powerful word [carrying the universe along to its predetermined goal]. When He [Himself and no other] had [by offering Himself on the cross as a sacrifice for sin] accomplished purification from sins *and* established our freedom from guilt, He sat down [revealing His completed work] at the right hand of the Majesty on high [revealing His Divine authority],



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**What does awe mean in the Bible?** - The Hebrew word translated into 'awe' in the Bible is yirah (יראה, pronounced yir-ah). It often directly translates into fear, like “fear of the Lord,” and it can also mean respect, reverence, and worship.

**Fear of the Lord (yirah):** The Hebrew word "yirah" is often translated as "fear of the Lord," but it's more nuanced than simple dread. It's a reverence rooted in the understanding of God's greatness and power.

**Reverence and Respect:** Awe involves a deep respect for God's holiness and majesty.

**Humility and Obedience:** Being in awe of God leads to humility and a desire to obey His commands.

**Worship and Praise:** Awe inspires a desire to worship and praise God for His greatness.

- **Omnipresence in His Divine Nature:** Jesus, as God's Son, possesses the divine nature, which includes omnipresence. This means he is not limited by space and is present in all places simultaneously.
- **Incarnation and Human Nature:** When Jesus was born and lived on earth, he took on human nature, which limits him to being in one place at a time. This doesn't negate his divine nature or omnipresence, but it does mean he experienced the limitations of a physical body.
- **Holy Spirit:** Jesus is also present through the Holy Spirit, who is omnipresent and acts as the comforter and guide for believers.
- While Jesus was physically present in one place during his time on earth, his divine nature, including his omnipresence, remained. He is still present in all places through his Spirit and will return in the same way he ascended into heaven.

### Genesis 1:1-2

#### Amplified Bible

(1) In the beginning God (*Elohim*) created [by forming from nothing] the heavens and the earth.

#### Amplified Bible

(2) The earth was formless and void or a waste and emptiness, and darkness was upon the face of the deep [primeval ocean that covered the unformed earth]. The Spirit of God was moving (hovering, brooding) over the face of the waters.

The Hebrew word for "mankind" is adam (אדם). In Genesis 1:26-27, the word adam is used to refer to humanity in general, encompassing both male and female, and then later, it is also used as a proper name for the first man created.



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**What does it mean God Hovering:** Remain in one place in the air, remain poised uncertainly in one place or between two states.

**What does it mean God Brooding:** Think deeply about something that makes one unhappy, showing deep unhappiness of thought.

**What is the primal sea in the Bible?** - The “primeval sea” is the uncreated state, the chaos that preceded God’s ordering of creation. These are the waters of uncreation where no life can flourish, no meanings can take root, no order can take shape. It is the opposite of the good place God is about to bring about as the first chapter of Genesis unfolds.

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**Athens was a prominent city in ancient Greece**, known for its rich history in philosophy, arts, and democracy. By the time of Acts 17, it was a center of intellectual and cultural activity. This context sets the stage for Paul’s engagement with the Athenians, as he presents the Gospel in a manner that challenges their existing beliefs and priorities. This cultural trait is evident in their history of philosophical inquiry, with figures like Socrates, Plato, and Aristotle shaping Western thought.

## 2 Timothy 4:3-4

For the time will come when men will not tolerate sound doctrine, but with itching ears they will gather around themselves teachers to suit their own desires. / So they will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

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## **Acts 17:21-30**

### New International Version

(21) (All the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time doing nothing but talking about and listening to the latest ideas.)

### Amplified Bible

(22) So Paul, standing in the center of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I observe [with every turn I make throughout the city] that you are very religious *and* devout in all respects.

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**Then Paul stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus** - The Areopagus, also known as Mars Hill, was a prominent rock outcropping in Athens, Greece, serving as a council and court for matters of law, philosophy, and religion. The Areopagus was a place where new ideas were examined, making it a fitting location for Paul to present the gospel. Paul acknowledges his audience, which likely included philosophers, scholars, and city leaders. By engaging with the Athenians, Paul demonstrates his willingness to meet people where they are, using their cultural context as a starting point for his message.

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### World English Bible

(23) For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I also found an altar with this inscription: 'TO AN UNKNOWN GOD.' What therefore you worship in ignorance, I announce to you.

(when you say, something told me or something in me said or something moved me, you are doing as the people of Athens, giving credit to “an unknow god”)

### Weymouth New Testament

(24) GOD who made the universe and everything in it—He, being Lord of Heaven and earth, does not dwell in sanctuaries built by men.

### Majority Standard Bible

(24) The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples made by human hands.

### Majority Standard Bible

(25) Nor is He served by the hands of men, as if He needed anything, because He Himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else.

### Holman Christian Standard Bible

(26) From one man He has made every nationality to live over the whole earth and has determined their appointed times and the boundaries of where they live.

**From one man He made every nation of men - This phrase emphasizes the unity and common origin of all humanity, tracing back to Adam, the first man created by God (Genesis 1:27, 2:7). God spoke mankind into existence but, he formed Adam out of the dust of the ground and breathed The Breath of Life into him and placed him in The Garden hence, creating a new kind of man.**

### New International Version

(27) God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.

### Amplified Bible

(28) For in Him we live and move and exist [that is, in Him we actually have our being], as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we also are His children.'

### Berean Literal Bible

(29) Therefore, being offspring of God, we ought not to consider the Divine Being to be like to gold or to silver or to stone, a graven thing of man's craft and imagination.

### Amplified Bible

(30) Therefore God overlooked *and* disregarded the *former* ages of ignorance; *but* now He commands all people everywhere to repent [that is, to change their old way of thinking, to regret their past sins, and to seek God's purpose for their lives],



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# DEREK WAY

Do you know why Jesus said He was “the way”? Well, the Hebrew word for “way” is *derek*, which refers to the path you are on, or the way you are going.

This is a word often used as a spiritual metaphor for how you live your life, because every choice we make is a path, or a *derek* that we take in our life. When you make good decisions, your path leads to good places. When you make bad decisions, your *derek* can lead to dangerous places. The good news is that whatever direction your decisions have taken you, God can redirect you.

And when Jesus said He was “the way,” He was letting His followers know that He would walk ahead of us, showing us the way we should live. Every person who calls themselves a disciple of Jesus is called to follow in His footsteps and walk in His ways. Interestingly, the first time *derek* is used in Scripture is during the Garden of Eden story in Genesis 3:24, when God says that He will guard the “way” back to the tree of life. When Jesus said He is “*the way and the truth and the life*,” He was saying that He is the way back to the tree of life—to fellowship and to eternal life with God for everyone who believes in Him!

So I wonder—have you made the decision to follow Jesus and let Him lead you as you choose your paths, day in and day out, instead of trying to determine your own destiny? How would that change the decisions you make?

**How To Pronounce “Derek” (deh-rek)**



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