



Intro to Our Unstoppable God

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“Who in the world can be saved?” asked the disciples. Jesus looked at them intently and said, “Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But not with God. Everything is possible with God.” (Mark 10:26-27 NLT)

It’s easy to be discouraged when we consider God’s standard of righteousness. Who can keep the law of God? Who can obey perfectly? Who can love God and neighbor without fault? When we catch even a glimpse of our sinfulness, we recognize the impossibility of achieving salvation on our own. We understand that, apart from Christ, we are hopelessly lost and in need of grace.

Thankfully, with God all things are possible. That means that when God Himself comes down in the likeness of mankind, He is able to do far more than what we could even imagine. He is able to fulfill the law’s requirements and win the redemption of all who would trust in Him. Certainly, a sense of His power to accomplish all that He pleases would lead us to greater boldness in evangelism and discipleship, right?

Unfortunately, many of us fail to live up to what God calls us to because we fail to believe deeply the truths of the gospel. The way forward in the Christian life is not necessarily learning a lot more (though there’s nothing wrong with learning!). The way forward is to go deeper in what we already know to be true about Christ and to grow in intimate fellowship with Him.

As we grow deeper in these ways, we will find ourselves delighting in Him more, resting in Him, and obeying His word, including in our bold witness to His grace in the gospel to the people He has providentially put into our lives.

Read and Reflect *(Use this section to write down any thoughts you had on the sermon. Make sure to note any questions you had about something in the passage or in the sermon.)*

Read Mark 10:27; Proverbs 3:5-6

“Our Unstoppable God”

Key Ideas

- 1) Humanly it is impossible to accomplish what God wants to accomplish.
- 2) But with God, all things are possible.
- 3) Moses parting the sea with his staff seemed impossible; David defeating Goliath seemed impossible; Elijah defeating the prophets of Baal seemed impossible; yet God showed each time that with Him all things are possible.
- 4) We want to have a life full of meaning and purpose.
- 5) If we trust Him, and really walk with Him (reading the Scriptures, speaking with Him in prayer), then we will know that He knows more than us and cares more for us than we know.
- 6) If we are to lean on His understanding, we have to acknowledge that we don't know what will happen but trusting Him overrides our fears.
- 7) We must remember the promise: Humanly it is impossible, but not with God, all things are possible with God.

Discuss

- 1) What was (or has been) the most impactful aspect of the mission conference for you?
- 2) Read Psalm 115:3. What does this verse teach us about God's ability to accomplish His purposes?
- 3) Why is it important for us to know that God's purposes cannot be thwarted by anyone's disobedience—even our own?
- 4) How does having an intimate personal relationship with God (through the word and prayer) strengthen our trust in Him?
- 5) How does having that intimacy with God embolden us to share the gospel with others?