

Awake!!!

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In my household, we are big on superheroes. The main ones are Batman, Superman, Ninjago, Power Rangers, and Wonder Woman. My youngest runs around pretending to defeat bad guys because he pretends he is part of a team. The other day he said something that I could have easily ignored because he is always pretending to be a superhero. He said, "When we wake up we have all the energy and power". He said this at lunchtime so he had been awake for some time. I thought about that statement and paused for a moment. I asked him to repeat it so I could be sure I heard it correctly.

My spirit came alive at those words from a five-year old; "When we wake up we have all the energy and power". That is an extremely profound statement even if he has no idea of how deep those words truly are.

We fight and struggle (every last one of us) so hard and exert so much time and energy on things that truly do not matter. Once we give our lives to the Lord, it is He that lives, moves, and works in and through us. So why do we continue to be spiritually exhausted? Because we continue to try to do things our way and by our past. We are made new by the indwelling of God The Father, Jesus Christ (the Word made flesh), and Holy Spirit.

I am no where near perfect but Christ, who lives in me, is. It is He that moves, lives, and loves in and through me.

Romans 13:11 - And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we *first* believed.

We are to continually work at being more like Jesus Christ (The Anointed One) by our daily actions and decisions. When we are awake, we have all the energy and power. We have the energy of Jesus to do what He calls us to do.

Philippians 1:6 - being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ...

We have been given power (authority) over the enemy...

Luke 10:19-20 - Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. 20 Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

To use our energy and power given to us by our Lord, we must be awake so we can see and hear what the Spirit is saying to us. Again, "When we wake up we have all the energy and power".

Matthew 21:14-17 - Then *the* blind and *the* lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them. 15 But when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying out in the temple and saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant 16 and said to Him, "Do You hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise'?" 17 Then He left them and went out of the city to Bethany, and He lodged there.

One last time, "When we wake up we have all the energy and power."

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