

Sunday, January 21, 2018 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

Sermon: Powerful People

Read Ephesians 3:14-21

As new creations we are the Body of Christ and the family of God. We are a people of power. God has given us power, but we do not use it.



difference.

We have the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Before Jesus ascended into heaven He promised the disciples that they would receive power when they received the Holy Spirit. The power of the Holy Spirit works in us to help us live as we should. We can live up to our potential. The Holy Spirit strengthens us. The Holy Spirit gives to us the power to be different and to make a



within us. We connect to that power when we go to God in prayer. Prayer is much more than just giving God our wish list of what we would like. Prayer is developing a connection with God.

We have the power of prayer. It is prayer that gives us the ability to plug into the power God gives to us. It is similar to electricity. There is power in electricity, but we need to be able to plug into it. Prayer is the way we plug into the power of God. The power that God gives to His disciples comes from Him and not from us. The power that we receive is the Holy Spirit working



complain about it or we can do something about it. Pray about the condition of the world. Pray in faith that God is going to change the world.

It is easy to get discouraged, we can see a lot of problems in our world. We see all of the bad things in the world. Our world is so connected that we can find out what bad things are going on around the world. We are bombarded by it. We see the problems in our society. We see how a lot of people do not seem to care about Jesus. It looks like our world is falling apart. We can



will do what is best. Allow His power to work in us Be open to His power. Know that He is Lord and that He loves you. Whether you are looking for His power to make a difference in you or the world know that He can do it. Approach life as a person of power. You are the child of the Lord of the Universe. Be willing to live like it.

God can do more than we imagine. We limit God because we do not believe what He can do. God is stronger than we realize. There is nothing that is impossible for God. We put limits on what we think that God can do, but God has no limits. Take Jesus at His Word and expect Him to act. We do not understand how God works, but we can go to Him in faith and know that He