

# PULPIT COMPANION

---

**YOU GOT THE  
POWER!**

---

**LUKE 10:1-3**

---

**MINISTER DEBORAH  
MOODY**



**AUGUST 24, 2025**

**09:45 AM**

1811 S.7TH STREET, SAN JOSE, CA

[WWW.MARANATHACC.COM](http://WWW.MARANATHACC.COM)

W

E

L

O

T



In this powerful message, we're reminded that as believers, we possess incredible spiritual power through Christ.

The key scripture, Luke 10:19, emphasizes that we have authority over all the power of the enemy. This power isn't just abstract – it manifests in four tangible ways: in our pivot, our pain, our prayers, and our praise. Just as Peter's life was transformed after his denial of Jesus, we too can pivot from our mistakes and allow God to use our past for His glory. Our pain, like Job's suffering, can refine us and build our character. Through fervent prayer and heartfelt praise, we can unleash heaven's power on earth, overcoming obstacles and experiencing breakthroughs.

The message challenges us to stop living in fear and instead embrace the power God has given us. It's a call to action – to step out in faith, persevere through challenges, and use our God-given authority to impact the world around us.

### SCRIPTURES FROM PULPIT AI

- Luke 10:1-3, 16-20 (main text)
- Matthew 28:19-20 (Great Commission)
- John 21 (Jesus restoring Peter)
- Acts 2 (Peter's sermon at Pentecost)
- Job 1-2 (Job's trials)
- 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (Paul's thorn in the flesh)
- Romans 5:3-5 (tribulations produce perseverance)
- Romans 8:28 (all things work together for good)
- Psalms 34:17 (The Lord hears and delivers)
- James 1:5 (asking for wisdom)
- Acts 12:5-17 (Peter's miraculous escape from prison)
- James 5:16 (prayer of the righteous is powerful)
- Psalms 150 (praise the Lord)
- 2 Chronicles 20:15-22 (Jehoshaphat's battle)
- Acts 16:25-34 (Paul and Silas in prison)





## DEVOTIONAL

### Day 1: Embracing God's Power in Our Lives

**Reading:** Luke 10:17-20, Ephesians 1:18-23

**Devotional:** The sermon reminds us that we have been given power and authority through Christ. As believers, we often forget the immense spiritual strength available to us.

Today, reflect on what it means to have "the power that raised Christ from the dead" working in you. How might your life change if you truly embraced this power? Consider areas where you feel powerless and invite God to reveal His strength in those situations. Remember, this power isn't for our own glory, but to fulfill God's purposes and to overcome the obstacles that hinder our spiritual growth and ministry.

### Day 2: Finding Strength in Our Pivot Points

**Reading:** Acts 9:1-22, 2 Corinthians 5:17

**Devotional:** The sermon spoke about the "power in your pivot" - those moments when God calls us to change direction. Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus is a dramatic example of such a pivot. Like Peter, who denied Christ but later became a powerful apostle, our past failures don't disqualify us from God's service. Instead, they can become the very things God uses to reach others.

Today, consider any "pivot points" God might be calling you to. Are there areas of your life where you need to change direction? Pray for the courage to embrace these changes, trusting that God's power will sustain you through the transition.







### Day 3: God's Power in Our Pain

**Reading:** 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Romans 5:3-5

**Devotional:** The message emphasized that there is "power in your pain." While suffering is never easy, it can be a powerful tool in God's hands. Paul's "thorn in the flesh" reminds us that even our weaknesses can showcase God's strength. Today, reflect on any pain or struggles you're facing. How might God be using these challenges to refine your character or deepen your faith? Remember, God cares more about your character than your comfort. Ask Him to help you see your trials through His eyes and to use them as opportunities for growth and ministry to others.

### Day 4: The Power of Persistent Prayer

**Reading:** Luke 18:1-8, James 5:13-18

**Devotional:** The sermon highlighted the "power in your prayers." Prayer is our direct line of communication with God, aligning our hearts with His will and unleashing heaven's power on earth. The parable of the persistent widow encourages us to pray continually, even when answers seem delayed.

Today, consider your prayer life. Are there areas where you've given up praying? Recommit those situations to God. Remember, prayer isn't about changing God's mind, but about changing our hearts and inviting God's power into our circumstances. Be bold in your requests, reminding God of His promises, just as Hezekiah did.

### Day 5: Praising Through Every Season

**Reading:** Acts 16:16-34, Psalm 34:1-8

**Devotional:** The final point of the sermon was the "power in your praise." Paul and Silas praising God in prison demonstrates that our worship isn't dependent on our circumstances. Praise confuses the enemy and invites God's presence into our situations.

Today, challenge yourself to praise God, especially for the things you're struggling with. Make a list of God's attributes and spend time worshipping Him for who He is, not just what He does. Remember, praise is a weapon that can break chains and open doors. As you cultivate a lifestyle of praise, watch how it transforms your perspective and invites God's power into every area of your life.





## SMALL GROUP GUIDE : "You Got the Power"

### Opening Prayer:

### Key Scripture:

Luke 10:19 - "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."

### Discussion Questions:

1. The speaker talks about overcoming fear to fulfill God's calling. Have you ever felt God calling you to do something that scared you? How did you respond?
2. The sermon mentions four sources of power: pivot, pain, prayer, and praise. Which of these resonates most with you right now and why?
3. How does the story of Peter's denial and restoration encourage you in your own spiritual journey?
4. The speaker emphasizes that nothing comes against us without God's approval. How does this perspective change the way you view challenges in your life?
5. Discuss a time when you experienced the power of prayer or praise in your life. What was the outcome?

### Practical Applications:

- Identify an area in your life where you need to "pivot" or change direction. Make a plan to take one step in that new direction this week.
- Start a prayer journal to record your prayers and God's responses. Commit to praying daily for the next week.
- Choose a praise song or Psalm to meditate on each day this week, especially when facing challenges.
- Share your testimony of God's power with someone who needs encouragement.
- Join the church's intercessory prayer group or start a small prayer group with friends.





### **Key Takeaways:**

1. God has given believers authority and power over the enemy.
2. Our past failures and pain can be used by God for His glory.
3. Prayer and praise are powerful weapons in spiritual warfare.
4. God cares more about our character than our comfort.
5. We should approach God from a place of victory, not defeat.

### **Closing Prayer:**

Thank God for the power He has given us through Christ. Ask for courage to walk in that power and to use it for His glory.

