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Ephesians 1:11

Some people question whether the Lord is truly in control. They learn about tragedies in the world and wonder if perhaps God isn't powerful enough to overcome all evil. Or they encounter what seems like an insurmountable obstacle in their own life and come to the conclusion, *Maybe His power is limited*.

My friend, we do not understand everything that happens in this life. But we know from Scripture that God has ultimate authority: "The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, and His sovereignty rules over all" (Psalm 103:19).

Consider the far-reaching implications of these words. The Lord has complete control in all the universe—He reigns over everything and everyone, and His power is greater than all other strength. The terms *omnipotent*, *omnipresent*, and *omniscient* are frequently used to describe Him. In other words, our God is all-powerful, He exists everywhere, and He is all-knowing—which means there is nothing beyond His awareness or His ability to direct and manage.

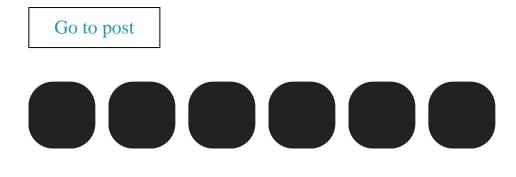
And this limitless, unfathomable God, who is unhindered and fully in control, adopts us as His children. What an amazing thought! As we begin to grasp this truth, peace and rest will flood

our soul.

If you believe the Lord is all-powerful, is that idea simply "head knowledge," or does it affect the way you think and feel? When you realize that nothing happens apart from God's awareness, direction, and loving purpose, it becomes possible to lay down worry and fear and truly experience His peace.

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