GOD. MORE THAN ENOUGH

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EPHESIANS 3:20(NKJV) Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, *according to the power that works in us*

- Have you ever wondered why the stars cannot be counted? The deepest parts of the ocean cannot be explored? There are so many undiscovered species of animals? The universe is so expansive?
- All of this is a clear indication of the truth of Ephesians 3:20
- There is no human issue that God cannot resolve. There is no limit to the love that He has for His creation
- Mankind cannot even think of a problem that God cannot resolve, because it doesn't exist.
- There is no higher sense of justice than God's. That is why He'll fulfil His promises to us.
- Promises like this:

ISAIAH 11:9(NLTSE) Nothing will hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for as the waters fill the sea, so the earth will be filled with people who know the LORD.

LUKE 21:33(NLTSE) Heaven and earth will disappear, but My words will never disappear

MALACHI 3:5(NLTSE) "At that time I will put you on trial. I am eager to witness against all sorcerers and adulterers and liars. I will speak against those who cheat employees of their wages, who oppress widows and orphans, or who deprive the foreigners living among you of justice, for these people do not fear me," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies

MALACHI 3:11(NKJV) "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," says the LORD of hosts

- God favours the underdog!
- Do you feel that everything and everyone is always against you? That nothing ever works out good for you? That the harder you try, the worse it gets?
- God insists on having things His way. That's why Jesus taught us to pray like this:
- "Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven" LUKE 11:2
- God's way is illustrated in this verse:

2 CORINTHIANS 9:8(NKJV) And God is able to make <u>all</u> grace abound toward you, that you, <u>always</u> having all sufficiency in <u>all</u> things, may have an <u>abundance</u> for <u>every</u> good work.

- There's no short supply of what God needs to achieve His purposes.
- The challenge is trying to understand this when we don't see it happening or we don't understand God's timing or the process that He's busy with.
- For example, God may well be withholding certain things in our lives, that we feel we desperately need, just so that we can learn to have complete dependancy on Him
- Sometimes He allows things because we refuse to humble ourselves, so He starts to humble us: **JAMES 4:10(NKJV)** Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up
- Sometimes we think we've passed the test, even when God knows we haven't
- It's like the teacher marking our exam paper, before we've gotten the results
- The truth is, that things are going to happen and we'll have to go through experiences, which will make absolutely no sense in this lifetime at all, but will be made known to us in heaven only:

<u>DEUTERONOMY 29:29(NLTSE)</u> " The LORD our God has secrets known to no one. We are not accountable for them, but we and our children are <u>accountable forever for all that He has</u> <u>revealed to us</u>, so that we may obey all the terms of these instructions

<u>1 CORINTHIANS 13:12(NLTSE)</u> Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely.

• The exiting truth, is that God wants to achieve the impossible, through simple folk like you and me that simply trust Him:

EPHESIANS 3:20(NLTSE) Now all glory to God, who is able, through *His mighty power at work within us*, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think

CARE GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. Discuss the concept of "more than enough" and what it means in our context, where there is so much lack/poverty in the world.
- 2. In what ways, is God's abundance evident in the life a Christian?
- 3. In what areas of your life, are you fully trusting God and in what areas do you question/doubt His plan/provision?