



AWCI SERMON NOTE & Announcements

DATE: March 29th , 2026
SPEAKER: Bishop (Dr.) Vincent Collins
Sermon Title: “The Power That Changes Everything”

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HAPPY RESURRECTION MORNING

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28:5-6 (NKJV) “But the angel answered and said to the women, ‘Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said...’”

Romans 8:11 (NKJV) “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies...”

INTRODUCTION

There are moments in life when things feel heavy... when situations feel stuck... when parts of your life feel like they've lost energy, direction, or even hope. And if we're not careful, we can celebrate the resurrection as an event—but never experience it as power.

But the truth of Romans 8:11 is this: the same power that raised Jesus from the dead is not distant... **it is dwelling in you.**

That means the resurrection is not just something God did—**it's something God is still doing.**

SERMON POINTS

Point 1: The Power That Changes Everything

- **Romans 8:11 (NKJV)** “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”
- **Romans 8:14 (NKJV)** “For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.”
- **2 Corinthians 12:9 (NKJV)** “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.”

Illustration

Let me give you a picture that we all recognize. When you see the logo of Nike, you don't even have to read the words—you already know the message: **“Just Do It.”** That slogan represents self-effort. It's about pushing yourself, trusting your strength, relying on your ability, your discipline, your grind. It tells you, “You have what it takes—go make it happen.”

But God has a “logo” too. It's not a slogan—it's a symbol. **It's the cross.** And the message of the cross is not “Just Do It”—the message of the cross is **“It Is Finished.”** The cross declares that what you could not do in your own strength, Jesus has already completed through His sacrifice. And the resurrection is the proof that God's power is greater than anything you will ever face.

Point 2: Living in Power That Has Been Provided

- **Galatians 2:20 (NKJV)** “I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me...”
- **1 Corinthians 1:18 (NKJV)** “For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.”
- **Philippians 4:13 (NKJV)** “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

Three Reasons People Don't Walk in Resurrection Power

1. **Self-Reliance Instead of Surrender**-Some people still try to live life with a “Just Do It” mindset. They trust their logic, their ability, their control—but resurrection power requires surrender.
2. **Uncrucified Flesh (Holding On to Old Ways)**-You can't walk in resurrection power while holding on to what should have been left at the cross.
3. **Unbelief in God's Power**- Some people love God—but deep down, they don't fully believe His power is working in them.

Point 3: The Power to Fulfill Life Purpose on Earth

- **Ephesians 2:10 (NKJV)** “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.”
- **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...”
- **Acts 1:8 (NKJV)** “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

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1. **The Holy Spirit Gives You Direction**—You don't have to figure life out on your own. The Holy Spirit leads you into the will of God.
2. **The Holy Spirit Gives You Strength to Endure and Execute**— Purpose is not always easy—it requires endurance, consistency, and spiritual strength.
3. **The Holy Spirit Gives You Boldness to Walk It Out**— Many people know their purpose, but fear keeps them from stepping into it.

LIVING BEYOND THE MESSAGE

Living this out on a daily basis means making a daily choice to rely on God instead of relying on yourself. When real life hits—pressure, stress, unexpected situations—you don't default to worry; you go to God first. You pause, you pray, and you trust Him before you react. Instead of thinking, "I've got to handle this," you begin to say, "God, lead me through this." That's what it means to live in resurrection power—you're not walking into your week empty or overwhelmed; you're walking in with strength, clarity, and confidence because God's Spirit is already in you. Your response shifts from panic to peace because you know you're not facing anything alone.

It also means changing how you see your struggles. Instead of hiding your weaknesses or feeling discouraged by them, you begin to see them as opportunities for God to show up in your life. You stop putting pressure on yourself to have it all together, and you start leaning on God's grace to carry you through. Where you feel limited, God steps in with His strength. Where you feel unsure, God provides direction. This is where your mindset changes—you're no longer trying to prove yourself or make everything happen on your own. You're trusting God to work through you. You release the pressure and rest in knowing that God has already done what you could never do by yourself.

And finally, living this message means being intentional about how you live every day. You don't just hear the Word—you live it out in real ways. It shows up in your attitude, your actions, your conversations, and your decisions. You choose to love people, to serve others, and to represent Christ wherever you go. You become more aware that your life is a reflection of God's power at work. So you don't just talk about faith—you walk in it. You don't just hope for change—you live like change has already happened. And as you stay consistent in depending on God, you'll begin to see His power show up in your everyday life—guiding you, strengthening you, and moving you forward into everything He has planned for you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note: There are multiple ways to sign up for an event. You can scan the QR code, visit our website, or sign the sign-up sheet in the foyer under the event registration section.

Read the Bible in a Year.

Scan QR code or visit the following site:
<https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/64913-we-believe-a-journey-of-faith-in-action>



April 8- May 13 at 6:30 pm- Unleash- A Tony Evans Bible Study Series

April 17-18- SCCOG Women's Conference

Regular Registration \$65.00

Walk In \$75.00 (After 3/16/26)

Scan QR code to sign up today or visit

<https://www.sccog.com/women2/>



May 2nd (9am-3pm) - May 3rd (9am & 11am) - Women's

Conference- All In- Early Registration \$30.00 (until

March 30), Late Registration \$35.00. Vendors

Registration: \$50.00 - For more information contact

AWCI Women's Ministry.



May 8th at 8:00 AM - Agape's 4th Annual Golf Classic

Scholarship Fundraiser! This is your chance to play for a purpose, whether you're hitting the links solo or in a foursome. Even if you're not playing, you can still contribute by becoming an esteemed sponsor.



SAVE THE DATES:

More information coming soon!

Mother's Day Celebration-May 12, 2026

A special day to honor and celebrate all mothers and mother figures.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)- June 9-11, 2026

Fun, faith, and fellowship for our children—learning about Jesus in an exciting way!

Father's Day Celebration- June 21, 2026

Celebrating the strength, leadership, and legacy of fathers.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES

Sunday School

- Every Sunday at 10:10 am-10:55 am.

Men's Ministry Meeting

- Every 3rd Saturday at 8:30 AM.
- At Agape Worship Center International
- All men are invited.
- More information: Contact Deacons Teddy Spence or Eureka Washington.

Breakfast For Champions: Weekday Devotion & Prayer

- Monday-Friday at 7 am
- Call In: 717-908-1690
 - Access Code: 577625

Intercessory Prayer

- Every 1st, 2nd, and 4th Monday at 6:30 pm-7:30 pm

Virtual Midday Bible Study

- Every Thursday at noon
 - Call In: (650)419-1505 (US East)
 - Meeting ID: 393-678-9202
 - Virtual:meetings.ringcentral.com/j/3936789202

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