

A Weak Deity

It has been said by very intelligent men that a weak Deity is an absurdity to the human mind. Yet, in view of this there are millions of people who embrace, and profess, just such a god...a god who cannot save anyone unless they *let* Him. It has always seemed extremely strange to me that such large numbers of people can read what the Bible says about God and still not grasp the fact that He is an omnipotent or all-powerful Being. John said, "I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to Him" (Rev. 19:6-7)

The apostle Paul tells us in Philippians 3:21 that God is able to subdue all things unto Himself. Does that sound like He is trying to get people to submit to Him and *let* Him save them? Certainly not. Was He trying to subdue Paul when He brought him to his knees and struck him blind on the road to Damascus? Again, certainly not. From the mouth of Christ Himself He asserts that His Father has *given Him power over all flesh*. And what is the stated purpose for His having been given that power over all men? The answer is clear; "that He should give eternal life to as many as His Father has given Him" (John 17:2).

"Our God is in the heavens: He hath done whatsoever He hath pleased" (Psalm 115:3). See also Daniel 4:35. How shameful it is for men to depict the God of heaven as being weak and pathetic!---**Elder Ralph Harris**