Upholds All Things by the Word of His Power

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"God, who in various ways and in diverse manners spoke in times past unto the fathers by the prophets, Has in these last days spoken unto us in His Son (Jesus), whom He (the Father) has appointed <u>Heir of All Things</u>, through whom (speaking of Jesus) also He (the Father) made the ages; and who (Jesus) being <u>the Brightness of His (the Father's) Glory</u>, and the Express Image of His (the Father's) person, and **Upholding All Things by** <u>the</u> Word of-His Power, and having made through Himself purification of sins, He sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High." (Hebrews 1:1-3)

Upholding: from the Greek word *pheron* which means: <u>upholding</u>; <u>bearing up</u>, (to keep from falling); from *phero*: to bear, to carry, to bring forth, to sustain.

All Things: from the Greek word <u>**panta**</u> which means: <u>all-things</u>, <u>everything</u>; from <u>**pas**</u>: all, every; the whole, every kind of. (meaning "all" in the sense of "each & every part that applies).

Word: from the Greek word <u>*rhemati*</u> (*rhema*) which means: <u>a word</u>, by implication <u>a</u> <u>matter</u>; a thing spoken; a statement, a word or saying of any kind, such as a command, a report, a promise, etc. Properly, that which is or has been uttered by the living voice, <u>a</u> <u>thing spoken</u>, <u>a word spoken</u>. In context a word spoken by Jesus from or through His power - ('His Power' as received from the Father).

Power: from the Greek word <u>dynameos</u> (dynamos) which means: power, might, strength; physical power, force, might, ability, efficacy, energy; powerful deeds, deeds showing marvelous works. Properly, ability to perform. In Context the Lord Jesus's ability to forever uphold and sustain, all things by the (spoken) word of His miraculous Power.

The Word of-His Power: in a proper sense: the various 'manifestations' of power accomplished through the (spoken) word of Christ Jesus; through the power of God the Father working in and through Jesus; and thus the means by which He upholds all things.

All the things which Jesus Upholds by the Word of His Power are all those things created by the Father through Christ Jesus. Please consider the following:

"... Giving thanks unto the Father, who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; and who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the Kingdom of His beloved Son; in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins; and who is the Image of the Invisible God, the Firstborn of All Creation; for in Him were **all things** created, that are in heaven, and that are upon the earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or rulers, or authorities: **all things** were created **through** Him, and **unto** Him. And He is **before all things**, and **in** Him **all things hold-together (consist)**. And He is the Head of the Body, the church; and He is the Beginning, the Firstborn from the Dead; <u>that **in all things** He</u> <u>might have the preeminence</u>. For it pleased the Father that in Him (Jesus) should all (the) Fulness dwell. And, having made peace through the blood of His Cross, through Him to reconcile **all things** unto Himself; through Him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in the heavens." (Colossians 1:12-20)

"You (the Father) have put **all things** in subjection under His (Jesus) feet. For in that He (the Father) put <u>all</u> in subjection under Him (Jesus), **He (the Father) left nothing that is not put under Him (Jesus)**. But now we see not yet all things put under Him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; <u>so that He by the grace of God should taste death for every man</u>. For it became Him, <u>for whom are all things</u>, and <u>through whom are all things</u>, in <u>bringing many sons (us) unto glory</u>, to make the Author of their Salvation (Jesus) perfect through sufferings." (Hebrews 2:8-10)

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Jesus Upholds <u>All Things</u> by the Word of His Power! Perhaps of utmost importance is that Jesus upholds: those people who have put their faith and trust in Jesus; including the Church; and all in oneness with the Father and the Son! Consider the following:

"And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall never hunger; and he who believes on Me shall never thirst. But I said unto you, That you also have seen Me, and do not believe . All that (who) the Father gives Me shall come to Me; and he who comes to Me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him (the Father) who sent Me. And this is the Father's will who has sent Me: that of all whom He has given to Me I should lose nothing (i.e. no one), but should raise it (them) up again on the Last Day. And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that every one who beholds the Son, and believes in Him, may have eternal life: and I will raise him up at the last day. ... It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. ... Then Simon Peter answered Him, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of Eternal Life. And we believe and are sure that You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God. " (see in contet John 6:35-40, 63, 68-69)

"These words spoke Jesus, and lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, so that Your Son also may glorify You. As You have given Him authority (power) over all flesh, so that He (Jesus) may give eternal life to all whom You have given Him. And this is life eternal, that they might know You the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom You have sent. <u>I have glorified You on the earth</u>: I have finished the work which You gave Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me with Yourself with the glory which I had with You before the world existed. I have <u>manifested</u> Your Name unto the men whom You gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and You gave them to Me; and <u>they have kept Your word</u>. Now they have known that all things whatever You have given to Me are from You. For I have given unto them <u>the words</u> which You gave to Me; and they have received them (the words of the Father, spoken by Jesus), and have known surely that I came out from You, and they have believed that You did send Me.'" (John 17:1-8)

"In that hour Jesus rejoiced in Spirit, and said, 'I thank You, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hid these things from the wise and prudent, and have <u>revealed</u> them unto babes; even so, Father; for so it seemed good in Your sight. <u>All things are</u> <u>delivered to Me by My Father</u>; and no man knows who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he (speaking of individual believers) to whom the Son wills to <u>reveal Him</u>.' " (Luke 10:21-22)

"Since you seek a proof of Christ speaking in me (Paul), which towards you is not weak, but is mighty in you. For though He was crucified through weakness, yet <u>He lives by the power of God</u>. For we also are weak in Him, <u>but we shall live with Him by the power of God</u> towards you." (2 Corinthians 13:3-4)

"Therefore <u>if any man</u> <u>is</u> in Christ, <u>he is a new creature</u>; the old things have passed away; **behold**, <u>all things</u> have become new. Now <u>all things</u> are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself <u>through Christ</u>, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation; namely, that <u>God was in Christ</u>, reconciling the world (us) unto Himself, not counting their trespasses unto them; and has committed <u>unto us</u> the word of reconciliation." (2 Corinthians 5:17-19)

"But now you also, put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, and filthy communication out of your mouth. Do not lie one to another, seeing that you have put off the old man with his deeds; and have <u>put on the new man</u>, which is being renewed in knowledge <u>after the image of the One who created him</u>; where there is neither Greek or Jew, circumcision or uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond or free: <u>but Christ **is all**</u>. and **in all**. (Colossians 3:8-11)

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"I ... Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers; that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him; that the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, and what is the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, <u>and what is the exceeding greatness of His</u> **power** towards us who believe, according to the working of His **mighty power**, which **He** (the Father) **brought about in Christ**, when **He** (the Father) raised Him from the dead, and set Him at **His** (the Father's) own Right Hand in the heavenly places, far above <u>all</u> principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world (age), but also in that (age) which is to come; and (the Father) has put all things under His (Jesus's) feet, <u>and gave Him to be the head over all things to the</u> **church**, which is His Body, **the fulness of Him who fills <u>all in all</u>." (Ephesians 1:16-23)**

In Heaven Christ Jesus upholds us before the Father:

"But this Man (Jesus), because He abides forever, has a Permanent Priesthood. Thus, He is also able to save forever those who come unto God through Him, **since** <u>He always</u> <u>lives to make intercession for them (us)</u>." (Hebrews 7:24-25)

"What shall we then say to these things? <u>If God is for us, who can be against us</u>? He (the Father) who spared not His own Son (Jesus), but delivered Him up for us all (on the Cross), how shall He not with Him also freely <u>give us all things</u>? Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect (us)? **It is God who justifies**. It is Christ who died, yes rather, who has risen, who is even at the Right Hand of God, and <u>who also makes intercession for us</u>." (Romans 8"31-34)

Finally consider these words of exhortation:

"But to us there is but **one God, the Father, of whom are all things**, and **we in Him**; **and one Lord Jesus Christ, <u>through whom are all things</u>, and we through Him**." (1Corinthians 8:6)

"No longer do I call you servants; for the servant does not know what his Lord is doing; but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known unto you. You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that you should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain; so that whatsoever you shall ask of the Father in My Name, He may give it you." John 15:15-16)

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in Him all things are held-together! He always lives to uphold <u>us</u> at the Right hand of the Father! His words that He speaks unto <u>us</u>, they are spirit, and they are life! He has spoken to <u>us</u> the word of His power, which imparts Salvation <u>to all</u> who believe!

At the Last Day, when He comes again, He will raise us up into eternal Life!

Thank You Jesus that in You all things, even us, are held together securely in You! Thank You Jesus for always interceding and upholding us before the Father!

All Praise and Glory be yours, and the Fathers, always and always - Amen!