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OUR LORD'S PRAYER
LESSON 2 V. 2 (a)

We read Our Lord's Prayer in John 17 and Jesus says (v. 2), addressing the Father, ***"...thou hast given Him (the Son) power over all flesh..."*** God, the Father is omnipotent (all-powerful) and He has given Jesus power over all that pertains to us.

This is why Jesus said (John 14:13) ***"Whatsoever ye shall ask (of the Father) in my name, that will I do..."*** We ask our petitions directly to the Heavenly Father, but we ask it in the name of Jesus. The Father authorizes it and Jesus does it, performs it unto us, with all power that the Father gave Him. We ask it of our Father, and our Lord Jesus does it. (Exceptions are made if we ask amiss or inappropriately according to our own desires, a/k/a, lusts.) (James 4:3.)

Jesus also says in Matthew 28:18, ***"All power is given to me in heaven and in earth."*** This corroborates with John 17:2.

His power is also illustrated in Philippians 2:9-10 which shows that all will bow to His power. ***"...God hath highly exalted Him...that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of things (people, entities) in heaven, of things in earth, and things under the earth (Hades)."*** Note that the word "things" is not in the original text. It was added centuries later by those that translated it into English. It is not referring to "things" as we think of it, but rather to living beings, whether they be in heaven, earth, or hell. That is some awesome power.

We should never doubt Jesus' ability to perform anything good that we ask for from the Father. Nor, should we doubt the Father's desire to do good things for us; ask Him, and Jesus will do it.

Trust, obey, and believe.