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## God's Dynamic

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What is this "life" which I so imperatively need? It is infinitely more than liveliness. Indeed, a man or a woman may sparkle with liveliness and yet be an entire stranger to essential life. Nor is it to be confused with high spirits. A woman may be very high-spirited, and yet have nothing of the life that dwelt in Christ. The life of which I speak is more than vitality, even though all the nerves of the body tingle with the race of exhilarant blood. All these—liveliness, high spirits, and vitality—are by no means to be despised. They are most precious assets in the business of living, but they are only the marks of a splendid animal, and must not be confounded with essential and superlative life. When Bunyan's pilgrim cried "Life, life," and when Tennyson sang "More life and fuller do we want," they meant the life that had its center and spring in the Lord Jesus Christ. I, too, need the indwelling dynamic of the Saviour's own life. Can that be imparted to the children of man? Can that dynamic be established in me, in the central keep and citadel of my soul? You know that the affirmative answer to these questions is the very gospel of grace. Listen to one of these gospel strains: "He that believeth on Me hath eternal life." That is the gospel of the imparted dynamic. The very life of the Lord Jesus springs up in the being of the individual soul, and manifests itself in a quickening which is like the genial influence of April and May. I very much like the sentence I came across some time ago in the course of my reading: "The Lord Jesus first opened the well within." Yes, that is it. He first opened the well within. He promised that it should be in the soul "a well springing up into everlasting life." And who can measure the dynamic of such a spring, always rising, always rising, through the days and through the nights, through the weeks and through the years, always rising—everlasting life. The dynamic is implanted within. "Strengthened with all dynamic," says Paul, "in the inner man." "His dynamic," says Paul again, "which worketh in me dynamically." Yes, indeed. He first opened the well within. That is the spiritual dynamic I need.