

## 11—On Eagles Wings

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### INTRO:

#### I. → **Isaiah 40:27-31**

*27 Why do you complain, Jacob?  
Why do you say, Israel,  
“My way is hidden from the LORD;  
my cause is disregarded by my God”?*

*28 Do you not know?*

*Have you not heard?*

*→ The LORD is the **everlasting** God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.*

*29 He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak.*

*→ 30 Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;*

*31 but those who hope in the Lord  
will renew their strength.*

*They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.*

- II. Heb (*yaga'*)—exhausted from hard labor  
Heb (*ya'aph*)—fatigued from running away

### BODY:

#### I. **Unlimited Strength**

*The Lord is the **everlasting** God,  
the **Creator** of the ends of the earth.*

- A. God has built into creation the power of His renewal.

##### 1) **Psalms 103:2-5**

*Praise the Lord, my soul,*

*and forget not all his benefits—  
who forgives all your sins  
and heals all your diseases,  
who redeems your life from the pit  
and crowns you with love and compassion,  
who satisfies your desires with good things  
so that your youth is **renewed** like the eagle's.*

2) HOW EAGLES TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THERMALS

B. Our strength is finite but God's strength is everlasting.

1) **Revelation 12:14**

*The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her in the wilderness.*

2) NAVIGATING IN THE HOT AIR BALLOON

## II. Unfathomable Wisdom

*He will not **grow tired or weary**,  
and his **understanding** no one can fathom.*

A. He will strengthen us but we have to follow His lead.

1) **Psalms 81:11-13**

*"But my people would not listen to me;  
Israel would not submit to me.  
So I gave them over to their stubborn hearts  
to follow their own devices.  
If my people would only listen to me,  
if Israel would only follow my ways."*

2) JAMES CAMERON COMPARING OCEANGATE TO TITANIC  
DSV BATHYSCAPHE TRIESTE 36,000 FT IN 1960

B. If ever we lack wisdom, we can ask God for His.

1) **James 1:5**

*If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.*

2) GOD SPEAKING TO ME ABOUT CHANGE

### III. Inexhaustible Power

29 He gives **strength** to the weary (koah) force  
and increases the **power** of the weak. (otsmah) power

A. The Lord knows that we are but humans with limited power.

1) **Psalms 103:14-17**

*For he knows how we are formed,  
he remembers that we are dust.  
The life of mortals is like grass,  
they flourish like a flower of the field;  
the wind blows over it and it is gone,  
and its place remembers it no more.  
But from everlasting to everlasting  
the Lord's love is with those who fear him.*

2) **THE ONLY RENEWABLE POWER SOURCE**

Natural Gas (38%), Coal (22%), Nuclear (19%), Wind (9%),  
Hydro (6%), Solar (3%), Biomass (1%), Petroleum (0.5%),  
Geothermal (0.4%)—15% renewable

B. With His help we can do more than we think we can.

1) **Ephesians 3:20-21**

*Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all  
we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work  
within us, to him be glory.*

2) **INCREDIBLES—"HOW ARE YOU DOING THAT?"**

Mom, "If anything goes wrong, use your powers"

## **OTHER SCRIPTURES:**

Deuteronomy 32:10-11

In a desert land he found him,  
in a barren and howling waste.  
He shielded him and cared for him;  
he guarded him as the apple of his eye,  
like an eagle that stirs up its nest  
and hovers over its young,  
that spreads its wings to catch them  
and carries them aloft.

Isaiah 40:7-8

“The grass withers and the flowers fall,  
because the breath of the Lord blows on them.  
Surely the people are grass.  
The grass withers and the flowers fall,  
but the word of our God endures forever.”

Isaiah 55:8-9

8 “For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways,”  
declares the Lord.  
9 “As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

2 Corinthians 4:7

But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing  
power is from God and not from us.

2 Corinthians 4:16

Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting  
away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.