

"If you are experiencing the loss of power, make sure that your own house is in order first."

Loss of Power

The other day our electricity went out in our neighborhood, for hours. (I did check my fuse box first.) We had no lights, no air conditioning, no TV, no stove, the refrigerator stopped- but worst of all, my mother-in-law's oxygen generator stopped. (I quickly connected her up with a portable tank.) I could not do my work. I got so bored that I went outside. There I saw the birds, squirrels and rabbits moving around as if nothing were wrong. I then noticed that our inside cats did not sense a problem. I wondered how we have become so dependent on electric power.

For most of mankind's history, there was no electric power. "The first battery was not invented until 1800 by Italian physicist <u>Alessandro Volta</u>. In 1816, American scientist <u>Joseph Henry</u> developed a prototype DC motor. In 1836, an Irish priest <u>Nicholas Callan</u> invented the transformer. The first major use of electricity was the telegraph, in 1844, promoted by American inventor <u>Samuel</u> <u>Morse</u>. In September 1882, a house in Appleton, Wisconsin became the first American home to be powered by DC hydroelectricity."¹ "<u>Nikola Tesla</u>, a student of <u>Thomas Edison</u>, believed that AC was a better option because, with the use of transformers, power could be converted to higher or lower voltages much easier and more efficiently. Edison argued that AC was far more dangerous. This battle peaked in 1893 at the Chicago World's Fair when General Electric lost its bid to power the fair to George Westinghouse, who was using Tesla's AC system."²

Today almost everything we have or do needs electric power. For example: communication, transportation, protection, food preparation, medical equipment, entertainment, manufacturing, building and so much more. I personally have batteries keeping me alive with my pacemaker. How long can we, in America, survive without power?

The same is truewith our spiritual lives. We cannot survive without the power of God in protection, substances, endurance, healing, boldness, and guidance. Jesus said in John 15:5 "for without me ye can do nothing." Before the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus' disciples did nothing. Acts 1:8 When it is lost in our lives, it is not the fault of God but of us. "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that He will not hear." Isaiah 59:2

At the loss of power, first check your relationship with God. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9. Then call on Him "Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. Jer 33:3 You will then get more than what you will from your local power company.



Charles Stambaugh Mt Wolf, PA There is power, power, wonder working power In the precious blood of the Lamb. Listen to the song.

May your walk with Christ be electrifying.



1<u>mrelectric.com/blog/the-history-of-electricity-history-of-electricity-timeline</u> 2en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Timeline_of_electrical_and_electronic_engineering The written text (unless indicated) within New Heart Beat Devotions media is licensed by Charles Stambaugh If you have questions, comments, or want to discuss about our Lord, you can contact Charles at PO Box 612 Mt Wolf PA 17347 or at <u>NHBDevotions@gmail.com</u> New Heart Beat Devotions is not affiliated with any other church or organization. Verses used are from the King James Version.