

#292 *You HAVE THE Power & Authority*

Most Christians through tradition, believe you have to beg God, to take authority over the devil and for healing. NOT TRUE, unless you do not believe Jesus or his written word. JESUS through his birth, life, death on the cross and his resurrection, defeated HELL ( the devil and all his demons) DEATH and the GRAVE. **Col 2:15**

**And he GAVE US this same power and authority**

**John 20:21** as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

These are just a few scriptures that pertain to the Lord telling us that We have the power and authority in HIS NAME, but never the less it is US that have to work in HIS power and anointing. **James 2:20 ,Luke 9:1, Luke 24:49 Acts 1:8, Mark 16:17-20**

zYOU NOTICE how he says YOU or THEY or THEM, in other words ALL that believe his word.

IT IS NOT YOU THAT HAS THE ACTUAL POWER BUT if you don't take the authority and do it, nothing is going to happen.

He does tell us in **Matthew 18:18**

It seems that most Christians have no trouble believing the binding part, even the Scribe and Pharisee type. But woe and beware, when it comes to the loosing part. MOST have no problem with Joy, Peace, Comfort, BUT if you loose healing or the ministering angels to help fix the problem or to prepare the journey before you, and so on. They will side with the religious Pharisee's and say your sacrilegious and a heretic or you have a devil. No different than they did to Jesus.

Remember how they were shocked and ridiculed Jesus for saying, "I and the father are one. "WELL WE and JESUS are one". **John 14:20 ,John 15:4**

What I am about to share, only true deciples of Jesus will agree or understand. **Eph 1:21**

God gave Adam and Eve, Dominion over the Earth and all that is on it, EVERYTHING, God said (**Ge 1:26-28**), but they gave Satan that power and authority when they yielded to him and ate of the ONE THING, God said NOT TOO.

Adam and Eve now had sin in them, and to take the power and authority away from Satan, It would take someone without sin. Just like Adam was.

God could not do it immediately because he cannot go against his own word. Adam Gave Satan the power WILLINGLY, so the father set in motion the plan of redemption.

It took around 4000 years to be fulfilled because he had to speak everything into being without giving Satan legal right to dispute it. YOU SEE, Satan new God could not lie and change everything because he is God. NO, because he cannot go against his word, he had to prophesy the future, choose the lineage of Christ and redemption and do it in such a way That Satan had no legal ground to stand on.

WHY do you not understand that our words have consequences in our life or why he gave us the scriptures in; **Proverbs 12:13** The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.

**Proverbs 18:21** Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

The reasoning behind all this, is so you can understand that God will not counter his word. When he said, "I give YOU authority, YOU shall receive power after the Holy Spirit is come upon you, YOU lay hands on the sick, YOU raise the dead." TRUE it is the power of God, but he said YOU DO IT. In other words step out in faith, FAITH IS A FACT, but FAITH IS ALSO AN ACT.

Do you think that Peter and John were afraid they'd be laughed at when they encountered the lame beggar at the temple, no, rather they said; 'Silver and gold have we none, but such as we have, we give unto thee. In the name of Jesus Rise up and walk," and they pulled him to his feet.

**2Corinthians 13:5** Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

A personal testimony of this last statement.

In 1970 is when I totally recommitted my life to Christ, I was smoking and was addicted to tobacco. My commitment was to serve him with my whole being and I wanted to read and understand his word. God was faithful on his part, he took the addiction and habit of smoking totally away, not having any craving or desire, as a matter of fact, I said I would NEVER smoke again. Wrong! In 1979, Satan threw a stumbling block in front of me and instead of lifting my feet high enough and stepping over it, I stumbled and started feeling sorry for myself. Well, once you start focusing on self instead of Jesus, you leave yourself wide open to our enemy. Satan whispered in my head, "Why don't you have a cigarette, it will calm you down and you'll be able to think more clearly." This is a lie of Satan that I always believed through tradition, so I bought a pak of cigarettes. If I would have stopped there, I would have been OK. But I bought the second package and all the cravings and desires I had for cigarettes came back with a vengeance. **Mt 12:43-45**, I continued smoking for 21 years with many prayers and tears, asking the Lord to forgive me and take the habit away again.

It wasn't till I got sick and tired of having the devil having control over part of my life and I ask the Lord again if he would take this affliction from me. And he said a loud, "NO" in my head, I was shocked, and said, "WHY NOT".

He said, "You do it yourself, I have given you the POWER and AUTHORITY." It took me a little while to go back through his word and once I rebuked the blinders that Satan had put on me, victory was easy.

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