

# Welcome to our Virtual Bible Study

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Walking In Spiritual Authority

WE WILL BEGIN SHORTLY...

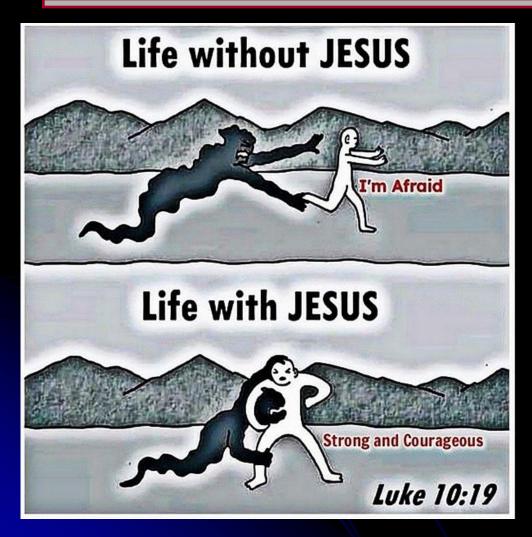






#### **OUR STUDY ROADMAP**

- Week 1: The Foundation of Authority
- Week 2: Jesus, the Model of Authority
- Week 3: Activating Our Authority
- Week 4: Engaging in Spiritual Warfare
- Week 5: Barriers and Breakthroughs



Luke 10:17–19 (NLT)

17 When the seventy-two disciples returned, they joyfully reported to him, "Lord, even the demons obey us when we use your name!" 18 "Yes," he told them, "I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning! 19 Look, I have given you authority over all the power of the enemy, and you can walk among snakes and scorpions and crush them. Nothing will injure you."

# What is spiritual authority?

Spiritual authority is the God-given right and Spiritempowered ability for us as believers to represent Christ, fulfill His will, and advance His Kingdom on earth through our obedience to His Word and our alignment with His presence.

## **Authority vs Power**

Authority = the legal right to act on behalf of someone higher than us.

Power = the ability or strength to carry it out.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

**Acts 1:8** 

Matthew 10:1 (NLT)

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John 14:12–14 (NLT)

"I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father. <sup>13</sup> You can ask for anything in my name, and I will do it, so that the Son can bring glory to the Father. <sup>14</sup> Yes, ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it!

**Genesis 1:26-28 (NLT)** 

<sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us." They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground." <sup>27</sup> So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. <sup>28</sup> Then God blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground."

#### **Spiritual Authority Lost**

**Genesis 3:1 (NLT)** 

"The serpent was the shrewdest of all the wild animals the Lord God had made. One day he asked the woman, 'Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?"

Romans 6:16 (NLT)

"Don't you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living."

# Usurper

Meaning: One who seizes and holds a position or power without the right to do so.

Definition: A person who takes a position of power or importance unlawfully or by force.

#### **Spiritual Authority Restored**

#### 1 Corinthians 15:45 (NLT)

"Te Scriptures tell us, 'The first man, Adam, became a living person.' But the last Adam—that is, Christ—is a life-giving Spirit."

#### Colossians 2:15 (NLT)

"In this way, He disarmed the spiritual rulers and authorities. He shamed them publicly by His victory over them on the cross."

AND JESUS CAME AND SAID TO THEM, "ALL AUTHORITY IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ME. GO THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT,

•• MATTHEW 28:18-19••

Luke 9:1–2 (NLT)

"One day Jesus called together His twelve disciples and gave them power and authority to cast out all demons and to heal all diseases. Then He sent them out to tell everyone about the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick."

"Spiritual authority is for every believer who belongs to Christ and walks in alignment with Him."

John 1:12 (NLT) – "But to all who believed Him and accepted Him, He gave the right to become children of God."

Romans 8:17 (NLT) – "And since we are His children, we are His heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory..."

John 14:12, "Anyone who believes in Me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works..."

#### Mark 16:17,18

"And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name they shall cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

## The Purpose of Spiritual Authority

Represent Christ in the earth

Restore what sin has distorted (God initiates, but we participate)

Reign with righteousness where God assigned us



# QUESTIONS. COMMENTS. or COMMENTARY