

**By Abundance of Grace and the Gift of Righteousness
We Reign in Life by One Christ Jesus** Romans 5:17
Deuteronomy 28:13

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Jesus said, “All power-(Greek is authority)- is given unto Me, in Heaven and in earth.” Matthew 28:18

“...When He-(Jesus)- had by Himself purged/cleansed our sins, (He) sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on High;” Hebrews 1:3

When God the Father raised Jesus from the dead, He set Him at His own right hand in the Heavenly places, far above all principality and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: and has put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be the head over all things to the Church. Ephesians 1:20-22

“Wherefore God has highly exalted Him,-(Jesus)- and given Him a (the) Name above every name: that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in Heaven and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” Philippians 2:9-11

Next to God the Father, Jesus is the Supreme Ruler over all things.

Jesus has all authority over all things, (except God the Father). Matthew 28:18, Ephesians 1:20-22, Philippians 2:9-11

Authority is the right to demand obedience. **Power** is the ability to enforce obedience.

Our Government has the authority or right to demand obedience by the laws it passes. The Police Force has the power to enforce obedience to those laws.

As believers in the Lord Jesus Christ we have been given the right or authority to speak in His Name.

Jesus has commanded us to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15

As we do this we carry His authority. He has commanded us to do this, and so we do it in His authority.

Jesus said, “All power-(Greek is authority)- is given unto Me in Heaven and in earth. 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: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18-20
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Jesus said, “Behold, I give unto you power- (Greek is authority) - to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.” Luke 10:19. This was said to the seventy Jesus sent out. Luke 10:1
Jesus has given this authority to all who believe in Him as Lord and Saviour.

When Jesus sent out His disciples to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom, He gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and disease. He sent them to preach that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand: to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, and cast out demons. Matthew 10:1, 7, 8, Luke 9:1, 2, 6, Luke 10:9

As believers in Jesus Christ we have been raised up and made to sit together in heavenly places in Christ. Ephesians 2:6

A glorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary. Jeremiah 17:12

Jehovah the LORD said to Moses, “There is place by Me and you shall stand upon a Rock.” Exodus 33:21

The foundation of our lives as believers is the Lord Jesus Christ. Matthew 16:18.

“For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.” 1Corinthians 3:11, Ephesians 2:19, 20, Isaiah 28:16. The Open Air preacher said, “On Christ the Solid Rock I stand, all other rocks are shamrocks.”

With this truth in our hearts, we can go forward in the work of the ministry, knowing that we carry the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we walk in the truth of the Word of God and are led by the revelation of the Holy Spirit as Jesus was. John 5:19, 30, John 6:30, John 8:26, 28, 38, John 12:49, John 14:10, 24

This gives us boldness, confidence, and assurance, to tell others about the salvation that we have been given through Christ. We have boldness and confidence to pray for the sick and set people free from demons, and see them healed and delivered.

Authority and power are two very necessary attributes of Jesus Christ, we receive from Him, to carry on the work He has given us to do. “By abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness we are to reign in life by One Jesus Christ.” Romans 5:17

“We are a chosen generation, a royal (or kingly) priesthood,”... 1Peter 2:9, “And He has made us kings and priests unto God and His Father.” Revelation 1:6.