

We Are Co-Workers Together With God 2Corinthians 6:1

“The Earth has He Given to the Children of Men” Psalm 115:16, Genesis 1:26-28, Psalm 8:6, 7, Hebrews 2:5-9

June – 2017 – ekb

Found in www.pastornotes.com

God has given to mankind authority over the earth. Genesis 1:26 – 28.

“The heaven, even the heavens are the LORD’S: but the earth has He given to the children of men.” Psalm 115:16.

“What is man that You are mindful of him?You made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet: Psalm 8:4-9, Hebrews 2:5 - 9.

But especially, God has given very great authority to those who are in Christ. (“In Christ”: 2Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 3:27, Ephesians 1:1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10). We are **chosen in Him** before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love. Ephesians 1:4.

We have been given great authority as in:

1 Doing the works of Jesus, John 14:12, Matthew 10:1,7, 8, Acts 3:16, Acts 16:18, Acts 14:10, Acts 9:32-35, Acts 9:36-42, And the works of Jesus were what the Father told Him to do: John 4:34, 5:19, 5:30, 6:38, 8:26, 28, 12:49, 14:10, 24, Jesus said, “If I do not do the works of My Father, then do not believe Me.” John 10:37,

2 Receiving the keys of the Kingdom of heaven, so that whatever we bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever we loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Matthew 16:19, Matthew 18:18, Luke 10:19,

3 And if two of us agree on earth concerning anything that we shall ask, it shall be done for us by God the Father in heaven. Matthew 18:19, Acts 16:25, Acts 12:5-11,

4 Jesus said, “Assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, “Move from here to there,” and it will move: and nothing will be impossible to you.” Matthew 17:20, Galatians 3:5. (Galatians 3:5 says, that we work miracles by the hearing of faith. Matthew 4:4, Acts 3:16, Romans 10:17, Luke 1:37-AMP V.)

In the matter of prayer, before the Second Coming of the Lord, God has given to us very great authority. God invites us to work with Him in the outworking of His purposes on the earth.

God has given to us a Prayer, “The Lord’s Prayer”, Matthew 6:9-15, to pray with Him, for the fulfilment of His purposes on the earth. Luke 11:1-4. We are to pray that God’s Name is to be hallowed, God’s Kingdom is to come, and God’s will is to be done, all, on earth as in heaven, as well as praying for our own needs.

God told us to pray this prayer. And He does not tell us to pray in vain.

With praise and thanks, we pray in faith, believing that what we pray is occurring as we pray and after we pray. Mark 11:24.

God allows our prayer to change the course of events and some-times to change what he was intending to do.

God has given us authority, and looks for our involvement with Him in the outcome of events on the earth.

Sometimes, God plans to move according to His justice, and to bring upon those guilty of breaking His law, judgment. But He is prepared to listen to the prayer of those who plead for mercy. James 2:13.

In Ezekiel 22 there is a message of God’s judgment upon Jerusalem, because of the wickedness of the people living there. Read verses 1 to 29.

In verse 30 God says, “**And I sought for a man among them, who would make up the hedge,**

AND STAND IN THE GAP BEFORE ME FOR THE LAND, that I should not destroy it: but I found none.”

Therefore God poured out His anger and wrath and destroyed them with the fire of His wrath.

My conclusion is that if God had found an intercessor, who would have stood in the GAP and pleaded for God’s mercy, that the outcome would have been very different. God’s mercy triumphs over His judgment. James 2:13, Psalm 107:1, Ezra 3:11.

God also intended to destroy Israel in Exodus 32:7-10, because they had made a golden calf idol of and were worshipping it. **But there was an intercessor Moses, who stood in the GAP and saved Israel.**

A similar situation arose in Numbers 14:1-10. **But again Moses stood in the GAP and saved Israel.** Numbers 14:11-35.

In Isaiah 59, verses 1 to 15 describe the sin and wickedness of Israel. Our sins and iniquities separate us from God. Isaiah 59:2. In verse 16 the Lord saw that there was no man and wondered why there was no intercessor! Read Jeremiah 18:7, 8.

God found no one to stand in the GAP and build the wall of salvation. Isaiah 60:18.

God seeks for intercessors to work with Him, so that His outcome is achieved through His mercy and grace, rather than through judgment and wrath, wherever possible. God does not find pleasure in the death of the wicked. Ezekiel 18:23, 27, 28, 32.