

KNOW AND USE YOUR SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY

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Where is Jesus now? He is in the place of all authority*Mat 28:18* Jesus said, “All authority has been given to Me in Heaven and earth.....”*Eph 1:20* God raised Jesus from the dead and seated Him at His right hand, *Heb 1:3,13, Mat 22:44, Ps 110:1**Eph 1:21* Far above all principality and power and might and dominion and every name,*Eph 1:22* God put all things under Jesus’ feet,*Eph 1:22* God gave Jesus to be head over all things to the Church.**Our battle is in the spiritual realm against unseen forces of evil***Eph 6:10 – 18, 1Pet 5:8,9.* We need the armour of God, the authority and power of God.**Authority and power are different**

The traffic/police officer parks his vehicle, lights flashing, steps on to the road, holds his hand up and the loaded logging truck stops. The officer has the authority of the NZ Government and the truck stops. Compared to the truck the officer has no power. Authority is the right to use power.

Jesus has totally defeated satan and the world system*Heb 2:14* By death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil.*1Jn 3:8* The Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.*Col 2:15* Jesus has disarmed principalities and powers, making an open show of them.....*Mat 12:28,29, Lk 11:21,22,* Jesus totally bound the “strong man” by complete submission to the will of the Father.*Jn 6:38, Jn 5:30, Ps 40:6 – 8, Heb 10:5 – 7.* Jesus was in full submission to the higher Authority of the Father and so had authority over all the devil’s authority. *Ac10:38, Mat 8:8,9, Lk 4:18,19.* He was under authority with authority.*Jn 12:31* Jesus said, “Now the ruler of this world will be cast out”.*Jn 16:33* Jesus said, “Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world”.*Rev 1:18* Jesus said, “I am He Who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive for evermore Amen. And I have the keys of Hell and of Death”.*2Tim 1:10* Jesus Christ has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light.....**How we have received Christ’s authority****1. When we are saved through repentance and faith in Jesus**

Col 1:13,14 We are delivered from the authority of darkness and transferred into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in Whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. *Eph 2:1,4,5,6, Jn 3:3,5, 1Pet 1:23.*

2. When we are baptized in water we are baptized into Christ and put on Christ*Gal 3:27* You were baptized into Christ and you have put on Christ.*Rom 6:3* As many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death.*Act 2:38* Peter said, “Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.....” *Ac 8:16, Ac 10:48, Ac 19:5.*WE BECOME IN CHRIST PEOPLE: *2Cor 5:17,21, Eph 1:3,4,6,7,11, 2:6, 1Cor 1:30.***3. When we are baptized with the Holy Spirit and filled with the Holy Spirit, Christ comes and lives His life in us by the Holy Spirit** *Lk 1:35, Jn 16:13,14,15, Gal 2:20, Eph 3:16 – 20, Col 1:27, Gal 4:19, 2Tim 1:7, Ac 1:8, Ac 10:38, Lk 4:18,19, Col 2:9,10, 2Cor 3:18.* WE BECOME CHRIST IN PEOPLE**4. As we walk in obedience to the Holy Spirit and Christ, we carry the authority of Christ.**

Mat 8:8,9 Speak the Word only and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me, (*and they do what I say!*). He was under authority with authority.

Mat 10:1,7,8 He gave them authority over unclean spirits to cast them out and to heal all kinds of sickness and disease. *Lk 9:1,2, Jn 14:12, Ac 10:38, Lk 4:18,19, 1Jn 2:27.*

Lk 10:19 I give you authority to trample on serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy and nothing shall in any way hurt you. *Psalm 91:13.*

Jam 4:7 Submit to God, resist the devil and he will flee from you. Be under authority with authority.

1Jn 4:4 You are of God,....., and have overcome them, because greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world.

Rom5:17 We have received abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness, and we reign in life by the One, Christ Jesus.

Mat 18:18-20 Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. (See Amp Version, *Mat 16:19*). Also *Mat 18: 19 and 20.*

Mat 12:28,29. The strong man is bound as we walk in obedience to the will of God.