

Your Words and Your Authority on the Earth

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Dear Friend and Partner,

As believers, we're to rule and reign in this life in Christ Jesus, as we read in Romans 5:17: **For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)**

The Amplified version says, **For if because of one man's trespass (lapse, offense) death reigned through that one, much more surely will those who receive [God's] overflowing grace (unmerited favor) and the free gift of righteousness [putting them into right standing with Himself] reign as kings in life through the one Man Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).**

Genesis 1:26-28: **And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.**

Job 22:28: **Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.**

Psalms 8:6: **Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:**

Psalms 115:15,16: **Ye are blessed of the LORD which made heaven and earth. The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD'S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.**

Mark 11:23: **For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.**

Matthew 17:20: **And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.**

Matthew 21:21: **Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.**

The way we rule and reign in this life is with words coming out of our mouth. The sooner a believer learns how to use words **for** themselves rather than **against** themselves, the sooner their life is going to take a total change for the good. You can have victory in every area of your life if you want it. Jesus taught us that if we want mountains (problems) to leave us, we are to speak to them.

Jesus showed us how to use our authority in Mark 4:35-41: **And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, **Let us pass over unto the other side.** And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships. And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. And he said unto them, **Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?** And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?**

The problem facing them was the wind, the waves and the storm. Jesus told us to believe that what we say would come to pass, and we'd have what we say. You want to listen to the words that come out of your mouth and ask yourself, ***"Do I want that to come to pass in my life?"*** You often hear believers make statements such as:

- *I believe God can do anything.*
- *I believe God is able.*
- *I believe God is all powerful.*
- *I believe that when God gets ready, in His own good time, He'll do it.*
- *I believe what God says will come to pass.*

But none of these statements is what Jesus told us to believe. As good as they may sound, they don't bring results.

Jesus told us exactly what to believe; He said what we say would come to pass. God is not the one who's putting obstacles, difficulties or problems in our life (1 Thessalonians 2:18). It's Satan who is out to destroy all of us. But Jesus has defeated Satan, and Jesus gave us authority over him.

As a believer, you want to make Satan obey you. Jesus showed us how to do this in Matthew 4:1-11: **Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.**

Notice that in verse eleven, Jesus told Satan to get out, and then Jesus quoted a verse of scripture out loud to Satan. Matthew 16:22,23 says: **Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee. But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.** You see in these two incidents, Jesus immediately spoke back to Satan.

All of us, as believers, want to move mountains, or problems in our lives, as well as pray the prayer of faith and get results. Once you use Mark 11:23, 24, you don't want to waver. You cannot show Satan any wavering, because he won't leave. So, as soon as doubt, worry, fear, loneliness, depression or ill feelings of any kind come to your mind, emotions, feelings, or flesh, you want to immediately rebuke, resist and refuse it, in Jesus' Name. Never show Satan any kind of weakness. As a believer, your whole objective is to make your enemy leave you alone. Jesus made the devil leave Him, and you can do the same by speaking the written Word to Satan in Jesus' Name.

The number one Bible way to make Satan leave you alone is by you speaking the Word to him in Jesus' Name. You want to build yourself up in God's promises by reading them every day out loud to yourself. Then, when you speak to Satan, you'll speak with authority, power and boldness. When you pray and talk to God, or about God, you always do it in reverence. But when you talk to Satan, talk as one having authority, because you do have authority. Don't speak kindly if he shows up in your house; tell him to get out, in Jesus' Name.

'What do you mean if he shows up in my house?' Well, if there is strife in your home, it's not from God or the Holy Spirit, and it sure isn't from Jesus. It's from Satan. And faith won't work where there is strife, so you tell the strife to go, in Jesus' Name. Tell it to get out now, in Jesus' Name with authority and confidence - ***do it immediately, and out loud.*** You want to build your faith up so it's strong, so that you can make the devil leave the way Jesus did. Satan does not obey weak Christians; he only obeys strong ones. The reason you are supposed to be strong in the Lord is to make Satan obey you. Read Ephesians 6:10-18 over and over. If you don't learn to make the devil obey you, you will spend your whole life wondering why things are happening to you. Satan will just keep robbing you of your joy, peace and victory.

Do you ever hear Christians say, ***"I'm trying to be strong"***? That won't work. God didn't tell you to ***try*** to be strong. He told you to ***be*** strong. You don't ***try*** the Word; you ***do*** the Word without giving yourself excuses, and without blaming God for anything. Just keep thanking God and praising God for what His Word says about you. Pray in tongues every day to keep yourself built up. Meditate on God's Word day and night. And, at the first thought that you won't get what you prayed for, or at the first sign of doubt and unbelief, immediately tell it to go, in Jesus' Name. It's important that you make Satan leave you alone. Run him off every time he shows up, because God is not going to do it; ***you've got to do it.***

If Adam had resisted the devil, he still would be here today. If Job had resisted the devil, he never would have gone through what he experienced. Beginning in Genesis, we were given dominion over anything that would try to harm us. The word *dominion* means authority.

Train yourself to be quick to resist all doubt and unbelief immediately, in Jesus Name. This is important if you want your faith to produce results, because if you waver and doubt, your faith won't produce anything. Satan will see to that. Jesus showed us how to be victorious in this life. Jesus never permitted anything Satan tried on Him. Jesus resisted it all, and you want your faith to be strong, too, so you can stop Satan from hurting you.

Behold, I give unto you power 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

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