

Exploring our authority in Christ Jesus:

- Is our authority given to us or do we need to mature into it? *Answer to both is YES, Galatians 3:23-26.*

For the earnest expectation of the creature waits for the manifestation of the sons of God, **Romans 8:19**.

This scripture tells us that mankind is expected to come into a further manifestation, whereby this may not be fully defined for us, I believe it talks of us walking in our new found authority.

We first need to realize that we are made in God's own image, **Genesis 1:27**, Realizing that God / Jesus created all things seen and unseen, by speaking them forth, and God has also given us the power to speak His Word. For, when God created man He gave them dominion over the earth, telling him to subdue it, and God has given the earth over to the sons of man, **Psalms 115:16**.

Jesus walked in and operated in authority.

For He taught them as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes, **Matthew 7:29**.

And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine *is* this? for with authority commandeth He even the unclean spirits, and they do obey Him, **Mark 1:27**.

Jesus gave His disciples power and authority:

Then He called His twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases, **Luke 9:1**.

Behold, I give to you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the authority of the enemy. And nothing shall by any means hurt you, **Luke 10:19** (MKJV).

The account of the Centurion asking Jesus to heal his servant in, Matthew 8:5-13 & Luke 7:1-10.

We see two principles in operating in authority. In both accounts the Centurion:

- 1). humbled himself before Jesus saying, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof, just speak the Word and my servant will be healed, (*for he had faith in Jesus authority*).
- 2). Saying and acknowledging to Jesus that he was also a man under authority.

Jesus' instructions in the last days, related to a parable.

For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch, **Mark 13:34**.

The parable of the servants entrusted with masters money, **Matthew 25:14 & Luke 19:12**.

To walk in authority, we need first to humble ourselves and realize that the only reason we can walk in authority is because we acknowledge that we are under God's authority.

For, even Jesus said that, "**He can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do,** **John 5:19**, Jesus knew that the great works that He did were not of Himself but of the Father, because He operated under the Father's authority.

Recognizing the authority God has given us, comes by boldly pursuing God in prayer, becoming ever more aware of your authority in Christ. As you do this your faith and confidence will grow as you rely on and enforce the finished work of Christ.

A sample prayer to speak and confess over yourself:

I thank you Father that I am made in Your very own image and likeness, **Genesis 1:28**, and can operate in the dominion that you have given us. For Jesus has given us power and authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, over all devils, and to cure disease, **Luke 10:1 & 10:19**. I will always strive to walk in the authority that You have entrusted to us, walking in the same boldness and authority that Jesus walked in.

Scriptures on the back, speaking on the subject of authority

For though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the Lord has given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed: **2nd Corinthians 10:8.**

So God created man in His *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created He them. ²⁸ 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 moves upon the earth, **Genesis 1:27-28.**

The heaven, *even* the heavens, *are* the LORD'S: but the earth has He given to the children of men, **Psalms 115:16.**


And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, **All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth, Matthew 28:18.**

Jesus healed the Centurion servant.

And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto Him a centurion, beseeching Him, ⁶ And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. ⁷ And Jesus saith unto him, **I will come and heal him.** ⁸ The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou should come under my roof: but speak the Word only, and my servant shall be healed. ⁹ For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this *man*, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my servant, Do this, and he does *it*. ¹⁰ When Jesus heard *it*, He marveled, and said to them that followed, **Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.** ¹¹ And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. ¹² But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ¹³ And Jesus said unto the centurion, **Go thy way; and as thou has believed, so be it done unto thee.** And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour, **Matthew 8:5-13.**

Jesus spoke the parable of the servants entrusted with the masters money

A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. ¹³ And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come. ¹⁴ But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this *man* to reign over us. ¹⁵ And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. ¹⁶ Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound has gained ten pounds. ¹⁷ And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities. ¹⁸ And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound has gained five pounds. ¹⁹ And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities. ²⁰ And another came, saying, Lord, behold, *here is* thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin: ²¹ For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takes up that thou layedst not down, and reaps that thou did not sow. ²² And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, *thou* wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow: ²³ Wherefore then gave not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury? ²⁴ And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give *it* to him that has ten pounds. ²⁵ (And they said unto him, Lord, he has ten pounds.) ²⁶ For I say unto you, That unto every one which has shall be given; and from him that has not, even that he has shall be taken away from him. ²⁷ But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay *them* before me, **Luke 19:12-27.**

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