

FAITH & AUTHORITY

The Word Authorization

- I. **The word of God is your authorization – your empowerment, your authority**
 - A. The blessing the empowerment to succeed in any area of your life-Proverbs 10:22
 1. When the blessing is at work nothing can keep you from winning-Jeremiah 17:7
 - B. God transmit the blessing to us through his word-Genesis 1:28
 1. The way God blessed them, empowered them was by saying to them
 - a. Ephesians 1:3-Blessing-To say good things about
 - b. When God says something good to you then whatever he said you are empowered to be
 2. Genesis 1:28-By saying these words to them He empowered them to carry out these words
 - a. They have been authorized (given the authority and power) to be and do these words
 - b. It would do them no good to pray God make us fruitful, cause us to multiply, and replenish the Earth; make us subdue the Earth and cause us to have dominion over it
 - C. God's word is His blessing; It is the right/authority and the might/power to be whatever the word says
 1. God's given you His blessing to be Healed, rich, victorious, strong and so on and therefore you have be authorized and empowered by His word to be everyone of those things and anything that comes to oppose those things for your life you have authority to stop
 - a. EX: When a man asked the for the Father's blessing and he gets it he has the right and the might
 - b. In the word of God there is the right/authority and the might/power to be whatever that word says no matter how impossible it may look
 2. Romans 1:16-The word of God is the empowerment not just encouragement
 - a. "Be strong" we've seen as encouragement, but it's the empowerment
 - b. God's purpose for speaking was not just to encourage you, but to empower you
 3. **You don't ask God to make you do or be what He has authorized you to do or be**
 - a. **You need not ask God to make you strong He's already given you His blessing to be strong and therefore you must use your faith and authority to walk in that strength**
 - b. **Me being strong was God's idea to begin with so I can ask him how to walk in it, wisdom to walk in it, help to walk in it, direction to walk it, but I can't ask him to make me strong because he's already given me His blessing to be strong and no I must choose it, receive it, and exercise my authority**
 4. God's not going to run the spirit of depression off for you; He'll run him off with you
 - a. Anything that comes to trouble your heart you have authority over and you can run it off and don't ask God to do it because He won't

- b. EX: You might be experiencing some depression and go to the Lord and say Lord I'm experiencing the symptoms of depression. Now I know this is not your will for my life and I exercise my authority over it and I refuse to yield to it. Now Lord ask and I receive direction and wisdom and help to walk free from this in Jesus name. --- I didn't ask him to do it, I didn't ask him to resist it, I didn't ask him to do what I'm supposed to do
- 5. The word of God is my authorization from Heaven
 - a. Matt14:29-In this word **come** Peter was given the right and the might to walk on the water
 - 1) Peter doesn't need to ask God to give him the ability to walk on the water, or ask God to cause him to walk on the water because he already has the authorization to do it
 - 2) Once you've been authorized it's time to exercise your authority not sit around and ask God to do something that he's authorized you to do
- D. God also authorizes you by the leading of the Spirit

II. Mark 4:35-40-If you don't believe you have authority you won't exercise the authority that you have

- A. The Word of God, the blessing of God is God authorizing and empowering you
 - 1. The Blessing is the empowerment to prosper and have success – Proverbs 10:22
 - 2. God blesses by speaking words
 - a. Genesis 1:28-God blessed them and said to them – He blessed by saying
 - b. Ephesians 1:3-Blessed-Said of God --- Blessing Means fair speech --- Eulogia-To speak good things
 - c. When we thinking about cursing we think about bad words and therefore when we think about blessing we should think about good words (not houses, cars, family or sneezes)
 - d. The Word of God is the blessing of God; When God speaks good words over us that's the blessing
 - 1) By his stripes you are healed; that's the blessing, the empowerment to be healed
 - 2) That through his poverty you might be rich; that's the blessing, the empowerment to be rich
 - 3) My peace I give unto you, let not your heart be troubled; that's the blessing, the empowerment to live in peace
 - 3. The Word of God is the power of God (Romans 1:16, Hebrews 4:12, 1:3, Psalm 107:20, Matthew 8:16)
 - a. There's enough power in every seed to work and see that seed come to pass
 - b. When God gave you is Word he gave you the power to be or have whatever that word said; It was God giving you His blessing, it was God authorizing giving you the right, it was God empowering you giving you the might
 - 4. Genesis 1:28-By saying these words to them He empowered them to carry out these words

- a. These words are not just encouragement, they are empowerment; these words are God transmitting the power to them
 - b. They have been authorized (given the authority and power) to be and do these words
 - c. It would do them no good to pray God make us fruitful, cause us to multiply, and replenish the Earth; make us subdue the Earth and cause us to have dominion over it because he already authorized them to do it through the words he spoke
5. **You don't ask God to make you do or be what He has authorized you to do or be (that doesn't mean we don't ask anything, we just don't ask those things)**
- a. You can't delegate back to God through your so called "prayer" what God has delegated you to do through His Word; that's not prayer it's unbelief because you don't believe you have been authorized and empowered to do or be what God said (Give me strength is unbelief because he told you to be strong)
 - b. **You need not ask God to make you strong He's already given you His blessing to be strong and therefore you must use your faith and authority to walk in that strength**
 - c. **Me being strong was God's idea to begin with so I can ask him how to walk in it, wisdom to walk in it, help to walk in it, direction to walk it, but I can't ask him to make me strong because he's already given me His blessing to be strong and no I must choose it, receive it, and exercise my authority**
 - d. 2 Cor12-When the devil attacks it's not time for you to ask God to do something b/c God gave you authority over the devil and delegated the responsibility of resisting him and running him off to you
 - 1) James 4:7-You resist the devil and he will flee **from you**
 - 2) Ephesians 4:27-You give the devil no place
 - 3) Matthew 4-Do it the way Jesus did it

B. Jesus said, "Let us pass over to the other side."

- 1. Jesus only said what the Father told him to say and therefore we know that these are the words of God and because they are God's words they are the blessing, the empowerment to, the authorization to get to the other side
 - a. When God said Be fruitful and multiply etc...there was power in those words to be fruitful etc... and when He said let us go to the other side, there's power in those words transmitted to them to get to the other side
- 2. Through these words Jesus has transmitted the authority and power to them to get to the other side
 - a. They have authority and the have power over anything and everything that would stop them from getting to the other side

3. Jesus is sleeping on the pillow because he had delegated responsibility of getting to the other side to them and he gave them the authority to do it
 - a. Philippians 2:12-It's interesting that God sat down and said work out your own salvation
- C. When you don't believe you have authority you go ask the one you believe does have authority
 1. Why did they ask Jesus do something about that storm? Because they didn't believe they had authority over it. Did they have authority over it? Yes through the words that Jesus spoke. Why didn't they exercise their authority over it? Because they didn't believe they had authority over it.
 2. You have authority, but do you believe it because you will not exercise authority if you don't believe you have authority
 - a. Jesus gave them the authority that they are seeing him exercise
 3. Why didn't he ask God to do something? It's interesting that he's facing a life-threatening situation and doesn't even address the Father. Why?
 - a. He arose and rebuked the wind, not prayed to God, but rebuked the wind and said to the sea, not cried to God, but said to the sea --- Why?
 - b. He believed he had authority over the wind and sea --- He had been authorized by God to get to the other side and knew that he had God-given authority over anything that tried to stop that from coming to pass
 - c. Jesus knew he couldn't do anything apart from the Father, but he recognized that the Father had given Him authority and the Father did the work, but it didn't happened until Jesus exercised the authority – John 5:19,30,14:12
 - d. He does the works when we exercise the authority --- But what most Christians want is for Him to do the works while they sit back and beg and cry and do nothing and ask and call it prayer
- D. They were ineffective in exercising authority and Jesus said it was faith problem