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The Authority of the Believer

Luke 10:17-19

MAIN TAKEAWAY

You have been given delegated authority through Jesus. You are not called to live powerless, but to release and enforce that authority in your everyday life through the name of Jesus, by resisting the enemy, and by speaking God's Word.

KEY SCRIPTURES & TAKEAWAYS

Luke 10:17-19 KJV
"And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name... Behold, I give unto you power... and nothing shall by any means hurt you."

- God has given us authority over all the power of the enemy.
- We are not meant to live defeated or controlled by circumstances.
- Nothing can stop you without your permission when you walk in authority.

Matthew 28:18 KJV
"All authority is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Jesus' mission was to rescue us.

- Jesus is the source of all authority.
- That authority has been delegated to us as believers.
- We have authority to run our race and finish strong.

Philippians 2:9-10 KJV
"Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things"

The name of Jesus is above every name: fear, anxiety, sickness, and every situation.

- Authority is released when we use the name of Jesus with faith.

Mark 16:17 KJV
"These signs shall follow them that believe; In my name..."

- Authority is not for a select few, it belongs to every believer.
- We are called to walk in supernatural authority in everyday life.

HOW DO WE RELEASE AND ENFORCE OUR AUTHORITY?

1. Use the Name of Jesus

- Authority is released through faith in the name of Jesus.
- It is not a phrase, it is a position of belief and confidence in who He is.
- When we pray and speak in His name, we activate heaven's authority.

2. The Power of Resisting

James 4:7 KJV
"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."

- Submission to God comes before resisting the enemy.
- We must know what to receive and what to resist.
- You are responsible to stand up and push back against what is not from God.

3. Speak God's Word

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 KJV

- The battle begins in the mind.
- Strongholds are formed through repeated thoughts and imagination.
- We take authority by speaking Scripture and replacing wrong thoughts with truth.
- Authority is released through your words.
- Faith is activated when you speak.
- You cannot win spiritual battles without the Word of God.

KEY PRINCIPLES TO REMEMBER

- You are not powerless, you have authority.
- Authority must be used, not just known.
- Your words determine what you release.
- Submission strengthens your resistance.
- The Word of God is your weapon in every battle.

REFLECT & REVISIT

This week, go back and read **Luke 10:17-19** and reflect on the authority God has given you as a believer. Choose one area of your life to exercise your authority.

Ask yourself:
What have I been allowing that I need to resist?
What have I been saying that needs to change?
What Scripture can I stand on in this situation?

Then begin to use the name of Jesus, resist what is not from God, and speak His Word daily.