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## **Being the Church In the World Today: The Believers' Authority (Family Ties)**

Introductory Statement: Power and Authority are always in demand. People will do almost anything in order to have these. Yet the greatest person ever did the most unheard of thing ever. He Humbled Himself. He made Himself of no reputation. He stripped Himself of Glory and Honor and became a man. The Bible declares that there was no beauty that we should desire Him. He was smitten of His Father and also rejected by mankind. By humbling Himself, He positioned Himself to be exalted...above everything thing to which mankind was subjected. And then He delegated that exalted power and authority to all who would believe on Him. In our study today we'll examine this life-giving Authority that He freely gives.

### Summary Points:

- What is Authority?
- Are authority and power synonymous?
- What authority does man have in the earth?
- How is power and authority activated in the life of a Believer in Jesus?
- Are there any conditions to having true power and authority?

*Objectives: As a result of our time of study today each Believer in JESUS will better grasp the intention of this scripture passage and understand ways to personally apply these truths in daily living.*



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## THE BASICS

### Authority – In order for Authority to exist, there must first be an Author

- Root – Author
  - Creator of an original work
  - Originator of a work
  - Composer...as distinguished from a compiler, translator, editor, etc.
  - One who begins
  - Synonyms – Progenitor; Source; Architect; Inventor; Initiator; Founder; Father
- Suffix – “ity”
  - State or Quality
  - Degree or Availability
- There is, inherently, a legitimate power that resides within Authorship.
  - Ownership: Intellectual Property – this thought or idea came from me. It's mine.
  - Defining Power – knowledge of the intent and purpose of the original work stems from me.
  - Control – determination of who will access/use what is created
- Authority – the power of a creator to possess or exercise power over a work of creation

## THE BEGINNINGS

- GOD (Elohim) establishes Himself as Creator and displays His Work as an Author
  - Genesis 1:1 (AMPC)



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- God, being omnipotent (all power) is the creator of power itself.
  - Romans 13:1
  - Colossians 1:16
- God creates a family in the physical realm to re-present Him and to oversee what He has created. He delegates (assigns) the right of ownership of the earth to man, His offspring. Adam can rule in the likeness of His Father. He has the full-degree backing of the Author.
  - Genesis 1:26-28
- God discloses the connection between his offspring's (Adam) authority and the maintenance of his connection with God, His Father (creator, originator). When the relationship diminishes, so does the right to legally possess or exercise power over a work of creation. The quality/state of the authority is diminished.
  - Genesis 2:15-17
  - Genesis 3:17 – All of creation is thrown into disarray.
  - Luke 4:5-8 – The Accuser unwittingly offers the displaced authority to Jesus
  - Romans 5:18-20
  - 1 Corinthians 15:45

## **THE BLESSINGS**

- After His resurrection from the dead Jesus declared that He now legally possessed all authority/power
  - Matthew 28:16-18



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- Jesus then Authorizes His disciples to replicate the Genesis mandate with the emphasis on bringing others into the benefit of family relationship.
  - Matthew 28:19-20
  - John 1:12
  - Colossians 2:10
  - Luke 10:18-20
  - John 15:7
  - Matthew 17:19-21
  - Mark 16:17-20
  - Mark 10:1
- This the power of a creator to possess or exercise power over a work of creation is not only active externally, but it applies internally.
  - Romans 5:4-6,11-14 – We have authority over the fleshly nature.



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### **The Benediction**

- 2 main words for Power in the New Testament:
  - Dunamis – ability (Gun)
  - Exusi'a – authority (Badge)
- Your access and exercise of our Lord's intended power for your life is predicated on your connection to Him, your Ties to His Family
- Are you trying to perform without having a true and genuine relationship with Him?
- He's knocking, longing for relationship with you. Won't you let him in?

