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- realizing the power of a life in Christ-

### **USING YOUR AUTHORITY IN JESUS CHRIST NOW!**

The Bible is the WORD. It is truth and life. And amazing things happen to those who realize that and who live in it and who apply it daily to all situations.

In this really difficult and often unpleasant world environment in which we believers all live today, knowing and living in the WORD is more important than ever. So let's look at just a few key verses that define who you are and what you can do as a true believer in Jesus Christ. These are verses I quote and apply often. They are power and life and health and survival.

We are not called to just read and study and pray. We are called to act, act on his words, act on his truths, to be his representatives on earth. At this time Jesus is in heaven sitting at the right hand of the Father. He has asked the Father and the Father has sent us the Holy Spirit. And we, in his name, in essence are him on earth right now. Hard maybe to accept, but it is true. When I stand up and preach or step out to heal or to cast out demons, I am doing what he would do if he were here. And he is here, inside me, through the Holy Spirit. The same applies to you. Remember his words in John 15:14, that we are his friends if we do what he commands. And what does he command? How about the words he said.

... whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it – John 14:12-14 (NIV)

This is a fundamentally key verse to your living in authority and success in life, to your overcoming the world. Jesus said this. That's right, Jesus. The same one who said John 3:16 and all the other verses so often quoted. Right here in these words you see that the King of the Kingdom of God, the son of God, our savior, says that any believer in him will do the same things he did, and in fact even greater things!

So what things did Jesus do? Heal the sick, drive out demons, change the weather, bring a dead person back to life, and much much more. You in Jesus can do all that and more. In our ministry over the years we have seen so many marvelous healings and miracles. How? Why? Just doing what Jesus said we could do. By the way, he never said pray for the sick. Do you ever remember his praying for the sick? No, he just healed them, saying things like be healed, be well, touching them sometimes.

So in this dreadful environment on earth today you can walk in victory, proclaiming the truths of the Bible over yourself and your family and friends, healing the sick, casting out demons when you encounter them, proclaiming words of prosperity and provision and safety and so on over yourselves and others.

All of this has to do with your faith. And with your consistent faith. Not a one moment thought, or action, but a habitual consistent way of living. Remember Jesus' oft repeated line, your faith has made you well. This scripture is one to live by. Don't let anyone tell you these words don't mean what they say they do. They do mean exactly what they say. You can't believe one verse spoken by the Lord and not another.

#### <sup>...</sup>Have faith in God.

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.

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. – Mark 11:22-24 (KJV)

Do you remember when Jesus said this? He had just before passed by a fig tree full of leaves, yet when he went to the tree he found no fruit. So he had cursed the tree. A little time later when he passed the tree, the disciple Peter noted the tree had died from the roots up. Of course it had. The creator had just cursed it, had spoken curses over it. And Jesus used the moment to teach this verse.

This is a simple straightforward statement of the power of God, and thus the power of a believer in Jesus. He is not saying we should be going around casting mountains in the sea! No! But he is saying that whatever is your mountain in life, you can overcome it in him. You can say to the terrible relations that exist in your family, in the name of Jesus be thrown into the sea and planted there. Be no more. Or you can say that to a lack of provisions, or to a horrible sickness, or whatever. You have the authority in what you say to deal with these types of things.

Again, consistent habitual faith and behavior is key. Not a one-time utterance spoken lightly but a proclamation declared in faith. Remember, this is consistent with the concept spoken elsewhere by Jesus and Gabriel that all things are possible with God. Or by God's own words to Abraham when he asked is anything too hard for God (answer of course is No!).

This wonderful verse joins with John 14:12-14 and many more in the Bible to give you great authority and power in all situations.

# **`Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.' –** Jeremiah 33:3 (NIV)

What a great verse! Spoken by God to Jeremiah.

This fits all of us often, does it not? You are dealing with a situation and you have thought and thought about it, you may have tried all sorts of things, you may have read various scriptures and prayed much. Still the issue persists. And you just don't know what to do.

Well, God is saying ask him for help! That is what this says. It says he will answer your request and show you things you could not know otherwise. Great things. Other translations say mighty things, hidden things, fenced in things.

So encountering a really difficult situation or in dealing with a great long-term problem or issue where I really don't know what else to do, I just shout out "Lord, Father, Dear God, help me! Show me great and unsearchable things I do not know about .... (fill in your problem or situation)." And persist in this. He says he will answer, so don't give up. Even repeat what he said, such as "Lord, you say you will answer me and tell me great and unsearchable things I do not know. So please tell me now."

This is a scripture you can say softly if you'd like. Often I have shouted it out. Well, if it is a big issue and you have run out of things to do or that you can think of to pray, go to the one who does know everything. Do you think God does not know what should be done? Hardly!

Well, we could keep going like this for a long long time, but the point is that there is great power in scripture, in the WORD of God. Why do you think the Bible exists? What do you think it is?

Perhaps in a future newsletter I will come back to focus on a few more. For now, we can't end this without this great healing scripture:

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering,... and by his wounds we are healed. – Isaiah 53:4-5 (NIV)

Whatever translation you want to read this in, the message is the same. Going back to the original Hebrew, it says he took upon himself all our sicknesses and diseases and pains, and by the horrible wounds he suffered we are healed and made whole. So how often do you hear me and others say, "By his stripes you have been healed!" Like hundreds of times. Over and over. This is the great healing verse used over and over. Apply it to yourself or to others. Over in 1 Peter 2:24 Peter says the same thing regarding Jesus, that by his stripes you have been healed. It is a done deal! And when Jesus is healing and casting out demons in Matthew 8, the writer refers back to this scripture from Isaiah to point out Jesus' actions were in fulfillment of it.

In healing services and in dealing with individuals and in our own daily lives, this is a verse used often. I know of one woman who said she received healing for a serious physical problem just by her and her sister saying this 400 times a day! Well, you may not do that, but you surely can apply this to yourselves and others to build your faith and receive what God has for you.

### LOOK AT ALL THESE MATERIALS AVAILABLE ON THIS SUBJECT!!!

We could fill many pages writing on verses such as the four covered here. You must know who you are in Jesus, and the words of the Bible tell you. The Bible is a living breathing book. It is alive. Not like any other book. It changes each time you read and study and meditate and pray over it. The same verse can take on more or different meaning. And God himself can and will reveal more and more and answer prayer and lead you as you read. The Holy Spirit will guide you.

Some years ago we produced a page listing many such truths and scriptures, called *WHO ARE WE IN JESUS!* You can request a copy and we will mail it to you, or email it. You can also get it from our web site by going to the menu on the home page or to the healing resource page.

We also produced a CD YOUR AUTHORITY IN CHRIST. You can request that over the web site or by contacting us. And lastly, we did two television programs on this subject. They are titled *THE BELIEVER'S AUTHORITY* and are available for your watching on the web site video page and on YOUTUBE.

Always remember to stay alert! The Lord is coming soon. I have it on good authority - his.

May you live in the blessings of the Lord always.

### John

### **KEEP YOUR EYES ON JESUS!**

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