

**XXXVII. WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS
LESSON THIRTY-SEVEN**

... ABOUT THE AUTHORITY OF THOSE IN CHRIST JESUS

INTRODUCTION

Jesus in John 10:10 states,

"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that They might have it more abundantly."

Satan who is the thief desires to keep those who are in Christ in a state of sickness, death, frustration and poverty. Jesus on the other hand desires for those who are in Him to live free from sickness, death, frustration and poverty --- to live the **ABUNDANT LIFE**.

The purpose of this lesson is to remind those of us who are in Christ Jesus,

- that we are children of God, and joint-heirs with Jesus Christ;
- as children of God, we have authority in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, over Satan and all the powers and principalities of Satan's kingdom; and
- if we are going to live the abundant life which God our Father has for us, we need to know about and exercise our authority in Jesus.

According to Romans 8:16-17, what is the position of those in Christ Jesus?

As children of God how much of the kingdom does your Father God desire to give you?

Luke 12:32

THE SOURCE OF OUR AUTHORITY

What do the following Scriptures have to say about God?

Revelation 4:11

Revelation 19:6

Genesis 18:14

Jeremiah 32:17,27

Matthew 19:26

Conclusions: We would note from the above Scriptures that God is the Creator of all thing. And as the Creator He sits upon the Throne, ruling and reigning as the all powerful God.

JESUS AND AUTHORITY

What authority does Jesus have?

Hebrews 1:2,3

Matthew 28:18

Philippians 2:9-11

Matthew 8:5-13

Matthew 8:26

Matthew 8:29-32

Matthew 9:35

Mark 1:27

Hebrews 13:8

Conclusions: We would note from the above Scriptures that God has given to the Son, The Lord Jesus Christ all power and AUTHORITY for all eternity. He has authority over all the power and authority of the enemy, authority to heal the sick, cast out demons, and still the storms.

AUTHORITY GIVEN

To whom was authority given according to the following Scriptures?

Luke 9:1

Luke 10:19

Mark 13:34

Mark 16:17-18

John 14:12

Acts 3:6

Acts 5:12,16

Acts 6:8

Acts 8:7

Acts 28:3-9

Philippians 4:9

2 Timothy 2:2

Hebrews 13:8

Acts 10:34

Conclusions: We would note from the above Scriptures that The Lord Jesus Christ, who has all power and authority has given unto His Disciples, even unto this day and forever, power and authority over all the power and authority of the enemy.

THE SOURCE OF OUR AUTHORITY

Wherein does the source of our authority lie?

John 14:12-14

Mark 16:17

Acts 3:6-16

Philippians 2:10

Conclusions: We would note from the above Scriptures that the source of our authority is in The Name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

RESPONSE TO THE TRUTH

Those in Christ Jesus according to Matthew 16:18,19 have the authority to kick down the gates of hell by binding the enemy and loosening those in the bondage of the enemy.

Are you making use of that authority in your life?

Yes___ No___

In the lives of your family?

Yes___ No___

In the lives of your Christian friends?

Yes___ No___

Psalm 149:9 says, "...this honor have all his saints."