The Authority, The Believer Owns

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The job description of every Believer, is to rule and reign in life, in The Anointed Redeemer.

Quite literally, every born again child of The Lord of Hosts, is to enforce satan's defeat. To countermand the lies and encroachments of satan.

The Believer, the born again, child of God, is called to walk in resurrection empowerment.

Salvation, is the entry into the victory of our Lord, over all that was lost, in the fall of mankind.

Salvation is entry into partnership with the God of all creation.

"Have I (God) not said it, and will I not bring it to pass (occur-happen)" Isaiah 46:11

"My word, (what I have spoken into the earth) will not return to me (by your having spoken it from earth) void (lacking in) of performance." Isaiah 55:11

"He is faithful, who promised" Hebrews 10:23

Every Word our Father speaks to us, or for us, or about us, is a bankable promise. We as heirs of God are called to act on His promises, and to demonstrate satan's defeat.

1. God has given dominion authority in the earth, to His man, forever.

Genesis 1:26-28 (NAS)

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." ²⁷ God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸ God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Our God, is The Creator, owner of all creation.

Psalm 115:16 (NAS)

The heavens are the heavens of the Lord, But the earth He has given to the sons of men.

He has chosen to delegate authority over earth, to His descendants (seed) children.

Psalm 8:1-9 (Young's)

To the Overseer, `On the Gittith.' A Psalm of David. Jehovah, our Lord, How honourable Thy name in all the earth! Who settest thine honour on the heavens.

From the mouths of infants and sucklings Thou hast founded strength,
 Because of Thine adversaries, To still an enemy and a self-avenger.
 For I see Thy heavens, a work of Thy fingers, Moon and stars that Thou didst establish.

⁴What [is] man that Thou rememberest him? The son of man that Thou inspectest him?

⁵ And causest him to lack a little of Godhead, And with honour and majesty compassest him.

⁶ Thou dost cause him to rule Over the works of Thy hands, All Thou hast placed under his feet.

⁷ Sheep and oxen, all of them, And also beasts of the field, ⁸ Bird of the heavens, and fish of the sea, Passing through the paths of the seas!

⁹ Jehovah, our Lord, How honourable Thy name in all the earth!

Man, God's man, has dominion on the God level.

Ephesians 1:3 (NAS)

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,

1:19-23 (NAS)

and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. *These are* in accordance with the working of the strength of His might ²⁰ which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

The Believer, is His body, His hands, His feet, His voice, His presence.

Ephesians2:5-6 (NAS)

even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶ and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus,

The Believer has presence, position, power, in The Beloved.

1 John 4:17 (NAS)

By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.

Love - John 3:16 God's love that began the restoration of man and authority in the earth.

Perfect - brought to maturity, fullness, complete standing, why God wants man born again, original intent.

Boldness - justified, righteous, clean before God

Day of judgment – when sickness, poverty, accusation, failure, hopelessness knocks at your mind's door.

As He is - seated at the right hand of God, the man, Anointed Redeemer – 1 Timothy 2:5

So are we in the world – man, seated with God, in the Redeemer. Is a joint-heir, joint-sharer in "all authority in Heaven and in Earth."

1 Corinthians 3:21-23 (NAS)

So then let no one boast in men. For all things belong to you, ²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or things present or things to come; all things belong to you, ²³ and you belong to Christ; and Christ belongs to God.

All power, authority, dominion, bought in the resurrection is yours.

John 17:24 (NAS)

Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

Our Redeemer, wants us, where He is, beholding, sharing, participating in His glory.

2. The first man, Adam (Adam 1) failed The Father. He committed high treason, when he departed from "God said," to consider what the serpent said. No longer aligned with "God said," fallen man was doomed to come under the, banished from God's presence, purpose and power state, of the evil one man had now aligned with.

"Do you not understand that to whom you surrender yourself as a servant, to obey what they say, they then own you and your actions." Romans 6:16 (GAJ)

3. Because of Adam's treason, and fall from grace, the power, authority, delegation he once was given, (and God never takes back what He gives) was lost to satan.

Romans 11:29 (NLT) For God's gifts and his call can never be withdrawn.

The Authority Adam lost in inter-action (contest of wills) with satan, would have to be won back from satan in inter-action (a contest of wills). The evil one's temptation would have to be turned back on him.

Hebrews 4:15 (GAJ)

Realize that we do not have a high priest who is unable to feel for us in our inability to produce, but He is one who has been tempted in every way, that man has experienced temptation, and yet He did not surrender to the temptation and enter sin.

At the ordeal of the Cross, our Lord defeated satan and evil. In the resurrection, all authority lost, was restored, through victory won.

The victory won by our Redeemer, is credited to the account of every born again child of God.

In Luke 4:6 satan said, the power I have over all the kingdoms of earth, <u>was delivered</u> to me (given over to me by Adam).

John 19:11 (Phillips)

"You have no power at all against me," replied Jesus, "except what was given to you from above. And for that reason the one who handed me over to you is even more guilty than you are."

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Then Jesus said, "You would have no power over me at all unless it were given to you from above. So the one who handed me over to you has the greater sin."

The power you have, the authority of life and death in your hand, is the same that was entrusted to Adam, from God, and you only have it, because God and His Word are one.

Now you can more clearly see how Isaiah was baffled by the prophecy he struggled with, a vision of the Redeemer in judgment.

Isaiah 53:4 (AMP)

Surely He has borne our griefs (sicknesses, weaknesses, and distresses) and carried our sorrows *and* pains [of punishment], yet we [ignorantly] considered Him stricken, smitten, and afflicted by God [as if with leprosy].

The Prophet did not recognize that it was God's power, being used against His Son, but it was satan and his dupes, using Adam's surrendered authority.

Colossians 2:15 (NAS)

When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him.

Our Redeemer, disarmed satan, demons, the kingdom of darkness, in His surrender to death and through the resurrection triumph.

He took back the authority Adam had surrendered. He took for us, the keys to death, hell and the grave.

He won over temptation, sin, sickness, disease, poverty, helplessness, hopelessness, failure, for us.

4. The Believer must come to understand, that authority is actually, delegated power or ability. It is not owned by the user, it is authority, ability, power, on loan from God.

A soldier does not have authority to wage war against another nation, unless it is under the authority of his nation and alignment with its mission.

An agent of a corporation, an employee of a municipality, an officer of a security force, only have delegated authority, as it represents the purposes of their employer.

"I must be about My Father's business," not mine, but that which is delegated to me.

The born again Believer, is empowered with the same power, ability and authority our Redeemer regained in the resurrection.

Matthew 28:18-19 (NAS)

And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make

disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

Delegated authority, ours, as an extension of God's rule.

Philippians 3:10

That I may know Him, (in intimate, personal understanding) and the power (exerted on and released in) of His resurrection and come to know what His sufferings purchased for me, and learn to conform to the level of submission and surrender it took for Him to allow death to come. (no man takes My life, I lay it down)

The Believer is to walk in a level of God delegated authority that enables them to rule in earth, as Kings and Priests unto God.

The evil one, comes to steal, kill and destroy. The only "power" he has is a lie. The person he comes to has to surrender to the lie and come under its deception.

The Believer's walk "with God," is challenged (judged) each time something contrary to a promise of God, opposes their rights and privileges under the New Covenant.

When sickness, disease, lack, poverty, fear, doubt, unbelief, hopelessness, grief, sorrow, sin, weakness, distress, etc. etc., present themselves at a Believer's mind, what the Believer turns to, in that moment of judgment presented, will determine whether they rule over it, or give in to it.

"The Believers, overcame satan's lies, by the Blood of the Lamb – the cleansing sacrifice, and by the Word of Truth, in their declaration of faith" (testimony of triumph won) Rev. 12:11 (GAJ)

5. As a Believer grows in grace and in the knowledge of their salvation, they come to understand that authority is a delegated ability to use God's power to accomplish God's purposes in the earth.

Brother Hagin used to teach, that a policeman is an easy to understand example of authority as positioned against power.

A policeman does not have the physical power (strength) to stop an automobile. A motorist may not want to stop because of the power, ability or physical force of the policeman. But the motorist does stop, because of the delegated authority of the government the policeman represents.

The policeman is only empowered to represent the rules of his empowering municipality. He cannot enforce his own will or agenda, without getting into trouble and violating the authority he has been delegated with.

The Believer's authority is over creation, and over every enemy defeated in the resurrection of our Anointed Redeemer.

The Believer does not carry authority over other humans. But does have the authority to restrict the actions of evil spirits, manipulating a human being.

"The authority of our Lord flows out of the God life, and the abundance God life brings." John 10:10

The evil one satan, comes only to steal, to kill and to destroy. John 10:10

This contrast of the Kingdom of Light and the kingdom of darkness, reveals what is at the base of their different operations.

Since Light and Life defeated death and destruction, in the resurrection, satan, lucifer, the devil or whatever other title he may be identified by, has no authority in the earth.

The authority he conned Adam out of, he lost in the resurrection triumph of Light over darkness.

Our Lord and King stripped satan of the keys of death, hell and the grave. Our Lord won back, for His followers the authority Adam surrendered.

Our Lord paralyzed satan. The only weapon, power or force satan can use are lies, fear, blindness, ignorance and co-opted faith.

Satan has to deceive a human into using their authority, or blind them to use their faith.

The newest, weakest born again child of God, is more powerful than satan. But, alas, too many Believers are ignorant of their true authority and ability in the Lord.

The born again child of God must undergo the mind wash of the Word of The New Covenant promises and empowerment. Their mind must be renewed to Truth and their spirit conformed to The Spirit of Truth. Romans 12:2

- 6. The New Covenant Believer must recognize some items of basic truth about delegated authority.
 - A. Delegated means, it is only operational when in line with the administrative flow of the author of that authority.
 - B. Delegated authority works only in conjunction with the Word of Truth, of The New Covenant guidelines.
 - C. The use of delegated authority is to do the works of the delegator and to bring Him glory.
 - D. Delegated authority is like an extension cord, it only works when plugged in to the source.

Delegated authority from God is to be used in, enforcing the defeat won over satan in the resurrection, and to do the works our Redeemer did, for the reason and purpose He did them.

7. The Authority our Lord delegated to His learners/followers, is full and complete authority to rule and reign in the earth, under the provisions of the Words of Jehovah Lord of Hosts, to mankind, and to creation.

The Believer can walk out the authority given by the Anointed Redeemer in, Matthew 28:18-19, to perform the functions of John 14:12.

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8. The authority the Believer has been delegated with, was won for them in the victory The Spirit of truth, won over satan, hell, death and the fall of man, when He raised our Anointed Redeemer from death and satan's dominion.

The resurrection of our Lord was the crowning triumph of Light over darkness, Truth over deception, Life over death, and righteousness over sin.

When the Word of promise was fulfilled (Psalm 16:9-11) and our Redeemer was seated in triumph at The Father's right hand (Ephesians 1:17-23), those who placed

their faith in His Lordship (Romans 10:9-10) become one with His triumph and are seated with Him and in Him.

Psalm 16:9-11 (NAS)

Therefore my heart is glad and my glory rejoices;
My flesh also will dwell securely.

¹⁰ For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol;
Nor will You allow Your Holy One to undergo decay.

¹¹ You will make known to me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
In Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

Ephesians 1:17-23 (NAS)

that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. ¹⁸ *I pray that* the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. *These are* in accordance with the working of the strength of His might ²⁰ which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Romans 10:9-10 (NAS)

that if you confess with your mouth Jesus *as* Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; ¹⁰ for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

The church, or called out ones (called out of darkness and into The kingdom of Light) of God, are to walk in the same authority our Lord and Redeemer walked in, when He inhabited a physical form.

9. The empowerment of the Believer with the authority of God, to walk out the victories The Word of Truth prescribes, is so complete, the authority includes both, the realm of earth and of heaven.

Hebrews 4:15 (NAS)

For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as *we are, yet* without sin.

Our Redeemer encountered every type and form of sins temptation, yet did not yield to it, or its deception. His strength covers man's weakness.

Hebrews 4:16 (NAS)

Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The born again child of God is authorized to come confidently, boldly, in full assurance of their authority to enter the throne room of God. The Believer can come to the throne of grace in full expectation of receiving their Word of Truth based requests.

The authority the Believer is delegated with, is the authority the Anointed Redeemer received on the occasion of the defeat of death, hell, the grave and satan.

Once our Redeemer returned to The Father, not only was His earthly triumph sealed in Blood, but His triumphant return to glory also occasioned the return of the glory He had known and the authority He had held before He descended to human form.