

Authorized!

1. In the great commission Jesus said, "I possess all authority in heaven and earth."

Matthew 28:18-20 -

18. Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

19. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20. and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

2. Jesus isn't just sitting in heaven waiting for our arrival!

Ephesians 1:19-23

19. and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength,

20. which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms,

21. far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

22. And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church,

23. which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

Rom. 8:34 - Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died--more than that, who was raised to life--is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Heb. 7:23-25

23. Now there have been many of those priests, since death prevented them from continuing in office;

24. but because Jesus lives forever, he has a permanent priesthood.

25. Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

3. Jesus has freed us from the domination of sin in our lives!

Colossians 2:14-15

14. But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him.

15. For we are to God the aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing.

4. Because of the Holy Spirit operating in us, the same power that raised Christ from the dead is in us!

I John 4:4— You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

5. Jesus gave the 70 (His disciples) power to go out in His name.

Luke 10:19-20

19. I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

20. However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Mt. 10:1- He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

Mt. 10:7-8

7. As you go, preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near.'

8. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give.

6. There is an agreement between heaven and earth!

Matthew 18:18— "I tell you the truth, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

7. This is not carnal authority, but the authority that God has given into our lives through Jesus Christ!

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

3. For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does.

4. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.

5. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient

to Christ.

8. Having authority and using authority are two separate things!

Matthew 8:8-10

8. The centurion replied, "Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed.

9. For I myself am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."

10. When Jesus heard this, he was astonished and said to those following him, "I tell you the truth, I have not found anyone in Israel with such great faith.

Galatians 5:1— It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery.

9. Acting like you have authority and really possessing authority are two different things!

Mark 1:22— The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.