

What are you going to think about today? Don't let the devil set the agenda! Spend more time thinking about your position in Christ, which is incorruptible and forever. As we become stronger in the knowledge of our position in Christ, we will walk more in the authority, which has been delegated to us, His Body!

We have the authority to do God's will because of our position in Christ! We are His Body. Jesus said, "**All authority** has been given to me both in heaven and on the earth" (Matt. 28:18), and sitting in the realm of glory with Him where all things have been placed under His feet, we also have His authority! If we are His Body, we are connected to everything that He is! **We are His Body!** We are one with Him and where He is, we are! Let's read Ephesians 1:19-23 in the Amplified.

"And [so that you can know and understand] what is the immeasurable and unlimited and surpassing greatness of His power in and for us who believe, as demonstrated in the working of His mighty strength, which He exerted in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His [own] right hand in the heavenly [places], **Far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and every name that is named [above every title that can be conferred], not only in this age and in this world, but also in the age and the world which are to come.** And He has put all things under His feet and has appointed Him the **universal and supreme Head of the church [a headship exercised throughout the church],** Which is His body, the fullness of Him Who fills all in all [for in that body lives the full measure of Him Who makes everything complete, and Who fills everything everywhere with Himself]."

Our mutual enemy, the devil, likes to pretend that he still has authority over us. He tries to deceive us into believing that we are still under his power and control and **WE ARE NOT**. He tries hard to turn us against God by blaming God for painful events that occur when he (the devil) is the perpetrator. God is expecting us to grow up in knowledge and understanding of what we possess as believers in Christ and as representatives of His Kingdom.

In Luke 9:1-2, our Lord gave His disciples "power and authority over **all** demons, and to cure diseases," and then sent them to preach the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick. He gave the same commission to all believers after His resurrection (see Mark 16:15-18). He would not tell us to represent or witness His Kingdom to a dying world without giving us the tools to do so.

We have this authority because we are in Him! The devil and demons respond to authority! When we use this authority by faith it is as if Jesus Himself is speaking and the devil and demons have to obey! Remember the word "**all**" in Luke 9:1-2 and in Matthew 28:18? It's a small word but yet enormous! It covers everything!

Take a moment and scan over your life. If there are any areas where it seems as if darkness has invaded and trying to gain ground, rise up now and boldly, with confidence, use your God-given authority, the highest judicial authority in heaven and on earth, and command the devil and demons to take their hands off of what belongs to you! You are seated with the most-high God and have His badge of authority!!! If it seems like nothing is happening, don't believe it. It's a lie! You just keep using your authority and stand! Don't move! The powers of darkness have to obey! The more we do this, the stronger we become in it! Just remember though that it has been delegated to us because of whose we are and not because of who we are in ourselves. Without Him, we are nothing!

Beloved, stay full of faith and with boldness, take back what belongs to you! Check back every week for more *Morsels*!

Living from a place of victory!

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Scriptural ref: 1 Peter 1:23, Isaiah 45:17, Colossians 1:13, Eph. 6:10-12 and John 15:5