

New Life Church

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AUTHORITY AND VICTORY

Jesus sent 35 teams of two out to visit the villages and introduce the Kingdom of God before He got there. He gave them instructions as to their stay and their job.

Heal the sick: I submit to you that we are called to do the same.

There are a lot of opinions about this virus, but one thing has become abundantly clear; things can change overnight. I just over a month the greatest nation on the earth has been brought to its knees.

Rather than confront the enemy, many in the church have taken the stance of the world which is to hunker down until this is over – I say that now is the time to preach the kingdom and heal the sick.

Luk 10:17 Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." 18 And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. 19 "Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

I. DEMONS ARE SUBJECT TO US

A. Jesus in us gives us the authority to defeat the enemy.

- Demonic presence is everywhere

Every time we agree with the lies of the enemy we strengthen the demonic realm.

B. Subject

- We command and they obey – period
- We challenge their position and they leave

II. SATAN FELL LIKE LIGHTNING

A. He has already lost

- Jesu saw their ministry and watched as Satan fell from the heavenly realms

B. Our authority is complete and thorough over Satan

- Defeat is the promise
- Jesus is the job at the cross – it was completed

While they ministered - step out and resist the devil

III. AUTHORITY

Exousia – power of choice – liberty to do what one pleases

A. We do not wrestle men

- Men are taken over by evil spirits
- That is who we should be going after

Exousia – power over judicial decisions

IV. TRAMPLE ON – *pateo*

A. To trample or to crush with your feet

Talk about the subtle attacks of the enemy

B. It is imperative that we keep him under our feet

Dr. Robert Morris says that the devil is like a wolf – he will study you and watch you until he sees a weakness and capitalizes on it.

He attacks:

- 1. Our thought life**
- 2. Our passions**
 - **Food**
 - **Entertainment**
 - **Lust**
 - **Sex**
 - **Greed**

Once we allow him access we are no longer able to crush him under our feet

What do we do?

Recognize – Repent – Release – Return

The step of repentance is the most difficult – not remorse but repentance.

V. ALL THE POWER OF THE ENEMY

Deu 7:15 "And the LORD will take away from you all sickness, and will afflict you with none of the terrible diseases of Egypt which you have known, but will lay them on all those who hate you.

Rom 16:20 NKJV - 20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Mar 16:18 NKJV - 18 "they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

- A. None of his plans are successful**
 - We have victory assured at conversion
 - It's not what we have done but what Christ has
- B. This is where his lies hold some captive**
 - "I am in control of this – you can't escape"
 - "You will always commit this sin – you are weak"

Two weapons – Accusation and deception

This is the most destructive weapon

Rom 8:31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? 33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." 37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

1. If you want to know what lengths God will go look who He sent to rescue mankind
2. God is for us – He has your best interest at heart.
3. And he also justified us – we are innocent
4. Not only are we justified but holy because He prays for us
5. Who shall separate us?
 - Tribulation
 - Distress
 - Persecution
 - Famine
 - Nakedness
 - Danger
 - Sword
6. More than conquerors – we already won
 - The deck is stacked
 - The fix is in

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