

# **The Ultimate Power Spiritual Authority**

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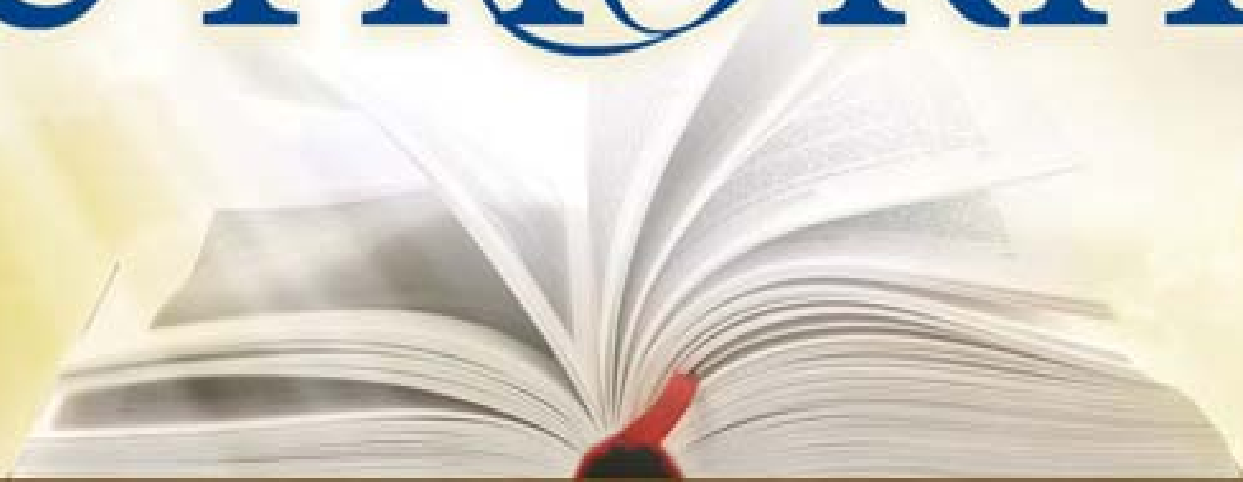
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*The Ultimate Power:*

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# SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY



# Spiritual Authority

Every human being is in a spiritual battle. Those who do not know Jesus Christ as their Lord & Savior are fighting the battle in their own strength. Followers of Jesus Christ have a strength beyond themselves.

Born Again Christians have the Holy Spirit living in them, are spiritually seated at the right hand of God, are more than conquerors in Christ Jesus, and have authority over the devil and demons.

# Spiritual Authority

**We are in a Spiritual Battle-We need to fight the battle in the Spirit, not in the flesh**

Ephesians 6:10-12

*<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.*

*<sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to **stand firm** against the schemes of the devil.*

*<sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, **against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.***

# Spiritual Authority

**We are in a Spiritual Battle-We need to fight the battle in the Spirit, not in the flesh**

Ephesians 6:13

*Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to **resist in the evil day**, and having done everything, **to stand firm**.*

We stand firm-we do not give in. We fight the battle until we have won the war. Christianity is not for wimps, it is for mighty warriors.

**Are you a warrior for Jesus?**

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**Christians have the Holy Spirit within them.**

Romans 8:11

*But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead **dwells in you**, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through **His Spirit who dwells in you**.*

# Spiritual Authority

Christians have the Holy Spirit within them.

1 John 4:3-4

*<sup>3</sup> and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world.*

*<sup>4</sup> You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.*

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**Christians are seated at the right hand of God**

1 Peter 3:22

*who (Jesus) has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him.*

Ephesians 2:6-7

*<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,*  
*<sup>7</sup> so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus*



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## GRACE

Grace-favorable regard, goodwill, divine favor, the power and equipment for ministry

Ephesians 2:7

*so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus*

God shows his kindness towards us by giving us eternal life through grace and giving us the ability to overcome sin through grace.

# Spiritual Authority

**Christians are seated at the right hand of God**

Jesus is seated at the right hand of the Father (God) and has full authority over all things.

In the spiritual realm we are seated with Jesus Christ and thus at the right hand of the Father with full access to Jesus and the Father which means we have access to God's power.

Right hand...power, honor, favor, etc. It is where the saying, "Right hand man" comes from.

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Hebrews 4:16

*Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

**Committed followers of Jesus Christ have full access to God.**

**What would happen in our lives if we truly comprehended this fact?**

# Spiritual Authority

Christians are more than conquerors

Romans 8:37

*Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.*

If you are more than a conqueror then you must have authority over the thing you have conquered.

Christians have spiritual authority over Satan.

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## Spiritual Authority over Satan

Luke 10:19

*"Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you."*

A Christian who says "the devil made me do it" is a Christian who has relinquished the authority God has give him.

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## Spiritual Authority over Satan

Ephesians 6:16

*in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to **extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.***

James 4:7

*Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you*

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## Spiritual Authority over the results of sin

Mark 16:16-18

*<sup>16</sup> "He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.*

*<sup>17</sup> "These signs will accompany those who have believed: in My name they will **cast out demons**, they will **speak with new tongues**;*

*<sup>18</sup> they will **pick up serpents**, and if they **drink any deadly poison**, it will not hurt them; they will **lay hands on the sick**, and they will **recover**."*

# Spiritual Authority

## **As Christians we:**

- Are conquerors through Jesus Christ
- Have Christ in us who is greater than the devil
- Have power over the devil
- Can extinguish the flaming arrows of the devil
- Can cause the devil to flee from us
- Can intercede-stand in the gap for others
- Can cast out demons
- Pray for the sick and they will recover



# Spiritual Authority

**Why would you not want to be a Christian?**

**A committed follower of Jesus Christ**

Because the devil is scared to death of the power that Christians have so he does all he can to stop you from accepting Christ and to get Christians to be weak by living a life of sin.

But TODAY can be your day of salvation.

Today can be your day of deliverance!

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Hebrews 4:7

...*"Today, if you will hear His voice, Do not harden your hearts."*

Do you want to live a victorious, overcoming life?

Do you want to be set free from the bondage of sin?

Do you want eternal Life?

**Accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior**