



Sunday February 27, 2022
The Believer's Authority (Part-4)

Review:

FIVE DIMENSIONS TO OUR SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY

Redemptive Authority: Our Authority Because of Christ's Triumph

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Today:

EMPOWERED AUTHORITY : OUR AUTHORITY THROUGH THE ANOINTING

The word 'anointing' refers to the presence and power of the Holy Spirit working through a human vessel.

How Jesus Ministered Under The Anointing

We see that the Lord Jesus ministered through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

Luke 4:18-19

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed;

19 to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

It was by the anointing that Jesus brought liberty to the captives and oppressed. Now this is referring to 'spiritual captivity' and 'spiritual oppression' at the hand of the devil. We know that the Lord Jesus did not engage in a political or social work, but a spiritual work. The next verse bring this out clearly.

Acts 10:38

how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.



By the anointing, that is the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord Jesus healed and delivered to all who were oppressed by the devil.

Matthew 12:28-29

28 But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.

29 Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house.

The Lord Jesus stated that He cast demons out by the Spirit of God, or by the anointing. He then likened this to entering a strong man's house, binding up the strong man and taking away his good. A picture of spiritual warfare or spiritual conflict.

Luke 6:17-19

17 And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, 18 as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed.

19 And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all.

People were healed of their diseases and delivered of unclean spirits. The power of the Holy Spirit flowed out of Him as He ministered to the people, healing and delivering them. We can be sure that this would have been repeated several times in the ministry of Jesus.

So, we see that Jesus exercised authority over satan and his demons, over sickness, disease, oppression, and all kinds of bondages, through the anointing upon Him.

The wonderful truth is that the same anointing – the same Spirit of God is working through us as believers. Consider these Scriptures:

The Same Holy Spirit Works Through Us

1 John 4:4

You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.



In the preceding verses John speaks of the spirit of antichrist, and then reminds us that the Spirit of God who is in us, is far greater, more powerful, stronger than the demonic spirits in the world.

Acts 1:8

But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.

We have received power because the Holy Spirit has come upon us.

2 Corinthians 1:21

Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God,

We are anointed by God.

John 7:38-39

38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

39 But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive;...

And the presence and power of the Holy Spirit flows out through us.

The Holy Spirit Works Through Us Just As He Did Through Jesus

John 14:12

Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

When Jesus went to the Father, two important things happened: 1, He received a name above every other name, and He gave us that name to use, and 2, He sent the Holy Spirit to empower us. So in that name and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we do the works He did and even greater.

Isaiah 10:27

It shall come to pass in that day That his burden will be taken away from your shoulder, And his yoke from your neck, And the yoke will be destroyed because of the anointing oil.



The anointing destroys yokes and removes burdens.

As you step out boldly and minister to people, the anointing upon you, flow out through you and does the work!

Isaiah 59:19

So shall they fear The name of the LORD from the west, And His glory from the rising of the sun; When the enemy comes in like a flood, The Spirit of the LORD will lift up a standard against him.

The Spirit of the Lord stops the work of the enemy.

WALKING IN OUR SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY

We must walk in our spiritual authority.

Understand the basis for your spiritual authority

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Believe in what God has spoken about you and vested in you

Act boldly in the authority God has placed in you

SALVATION CALL

If you ask, does God love me? We can tell you what the Bible says: John 3:16, Romans 5:8

If you ask, how can I have my sins forgiven? We can tell you what the Bible says: Acts 10:43; 1 John 2:2,12

If you ask, what is the way to God? We can tell you what the Bible says: John 14:6

If you ask, how can I become a child of God? We can tell you what the Bible says: John 1:12

If you ask, where can I find salvation? We can tell you what the Bible says: Acts 4:12

If you ask, what must I do to experience salvation? We can tell you what the Bible says: Acts 16:30-31

As an act of your own free choice, we invite you to make this decision to follow Jesus.

SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

Minister as the Spirit leads




LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE


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This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon Key Points (sermon summary in five minutes) or the full-length Sunday sermon. You can also review the Sunday Sermon notes. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#) . Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture reference: *Luke 4:18-19; Acts 10:38; Matthew 12:28-29; Luke 6:17-19*

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

1, From the 4 Scripture texts, identify all that Jesus did through the power of the Holy Spirit.

2, The same Holy Spirit empowers us as believers. What should we expect to happen through us because of the Spirit's presence and power?



3, How does being empowered by the Spirit, put us in a place of authority and dominion over satan and his demons? How can we operate in empowered authority with confidence?

If time permits, each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key learning and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, families to be protected and strengthened

2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.

3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for God's hand to guide us through the land search and acquisition process, and for finances to be more than enough to get this project done.

Close by thanking God together.



USEFUL RESOURCES



Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

YOUTUBE: <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

WEBSITE: <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

CHURCH: <https://apcwo.org>

FREE SERMONS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

FREE BOOKS: <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

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MUSIC: <https://apcmusic.org>

MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP: <https://pamfi.org>

CHURCH APP: <https://apcwo.org/app>

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SERMON BRIEF

As believers in Jesus Christ, we have spiritual authority over satan and his demonic hosts. We have authority vested in us to reign in life, over situations and circumstances and over all that Adam brought us under. In this sermon series we learn about our spiritual authority, what we have authority over and how to exercise spiritual authority.

KEYWORDS

believer's authority, the authority of the believer, spiritual authority, dominion, delegated authority

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