



POWER & AUTHORITY IN CHRIST

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**Focus on the Positive, and be encouraged, Today You decide
“I can not be defeated and I will not quit!”**

Scripture Focus...

And do not [*for a moment*] be frightened or intimidated in anything by your opponents and adversaries, for such [*constancy and fearlessness*] will be a clear sign (proof and seal) to them of [*their impending*] destruction, but [*a sure token and evidence*] of your deliverance and salvation, and that from God.

(Phil. 1:28 AMP)

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, (20) Which He exerted in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His [*own*] right hand in the heavenly [*places*], (21) 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. (22) 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*], (23) 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*].

(Eph. 1:19-23 AMP)

Shared...

One of the downfalls of the church is they do not know their position. We are seated at the right-hand of the Father in Christ! Each of us has a part to do.

This honor is not to a chosen few, but is the portion of all those who share the resurrection of the Son of God. It is the birthright of every true believer, of every born-again child of God.

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Narration by Pastor Sherry:

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Before going to the computer this morning, this A.M., my husband and I were sharing, praying and spending a precious, (but too short) time in the Lord together, as we do every morning.

Bob said these things out of his spirit, and they bore such witness with what God has been imparting to and through me lately in my daily walk with Him and in my ministry to others out of the unction of the Holy Ghost....

"How many times will old ways, things, fears, defeats, failures, etc...come knocking or come checking the door to see if they can enter in?" and "What will we do and say when they try?" "I choose when I'm defeated - and I choose not to be defeated anymore!"

My answer on the inside was "What does the Word say to me about every situation that tries to discourage me or defeat me?" The Word says that I am MORE THAN AN OVERCOMER (John 16:33, I John 5: 4-5), and the Word says, NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE WITH GOD (Luke 1:37) , and the Word says, CASTING DOWN IMAGINATIONS AND EVERY HIGH THING THAT EXALTS ITSELF AGAINST THE KNOWLEDGE OF GOD AND BRINGING INTO CAPTIVITY EVERY THOUGHT TO THE OBEDIENCE OF CHRIST (2 Corinthians 10:3-5)! I was reminded that often, daily, I am **offered the opportunity** to fear, to be rejected, to be offended, to be defeated in some way, to be disappointed, daily and sometimes hourly I am **offered the opportunity** to **decide** and to proclaim God's Covenant promises and take authority.

I am GODS CHILD and that I HAVE OVERCOMING POWER ON THE INSIDE OF ME...that I CAN NOT BE DEFEATED AND I WILL NOT QUIT, that I AM MORE THAN AN OVERCOMER THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME, that GREATER IS HE WHO IS IN ME THAN he who is in the world (I John 4:4)!

One might say, well, that's all well and good, but it is easier to say than to do or to attain. But, think of it, how many times do YOU actually consciously make the effort to apply those principles in your every day life? AND Of those times that you succeed in applying the RESURRECTION POWER to your circumstances, do you recognize it and then it urges you forward? How many times in recent times have you been encouraged and lifted up by another of God's people to rise above the circumstances drawing HIS POWER from the inside of you to command victory in situations? GODS POWER can be automatically applied in so many ways, if we make a concerted effort.

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I have become so automatic with the victory, that it has become my nature. AND YOU CAN TOO! This has come about by my **exercising** the covenant promises in each situation...and sometimes it has felt like WORK to convince myself and to not have doubt...but one does eventually make this a lifestyle if one continues in the practice of it. THEN AND ONLY THEN WILL A PERSON HAVE COMMAND over every situation as CHRIST INTENDED! Automatically when a negative comes my way, it doesn't take very long for me to "say" to the mountain..."BE THOU REMOVED AND CAST INTO THE SEA".....Not that I have attained perfection, but allow the Pastor in me to edify you all in this....THIS IS THE RESURRECTION POWER THAT JESUS INTENDED for US TO OPERATE IN.

So, read JOHN 17, the whole chapter. Jesus was asking HIS FATHER (our FATHER) to impart to us all that is HIS, and I believe that Jesus' prayers are answered with YES and AMEN from FATHER GOD, don't you?

Oh that this would be our daily lifestyle...to LIVE in the VICTORY THAT JESUS has already attained FOR US for the GLORY and HONOR due the ALMIGHTY GOD and HIS PLAN of overcoming VICTORY FOR ALL of HIS CHILDREN!

Have a blessed and victorious day today and every day!

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