

## The Power of a Believer



Great news Saints of the Most High God! Every believer is given power. Throughout the Bible we can see this power demonstrated in many different ways.

Tonight, I want to look at ways the believer can put this power in operation for himself against the enemy.

Jesus said in Matthew 28:18-19 "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore...". That power was given to you and I as part of our inheritance in Christ Jesus.

We have entered into this position of authority because we are in Him. Jesus succeeded in securing all power by going to the cross, dying, rising again and defeating Satan in the pit of hell.

He came to this earth as a man for one reason: to recapture the authority Satan had stolen through Adam and Eve's disobedience in the Garden of Eden.

Luke 10:19

19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

When we know who God is and the authority He has, and when we know who we are in Christ, having faith is not that difficult. And when we have faith, we will begin to release the spiritual authority necessary to perform signs, wonders and miracles.

LET US THEN APPROACH  
GOD'S THRONE OF GRACE  
WITH CONFIDENCE, SO  
THAT WE MAY RECEIVE  
MERCY AND FIND GRACE  
TO HELP US IN OUR TIME  
OF NEED.

HEBREWS 4:16



We must know and understand this power we have been given. Our words are to be words of faith and God expects us to know our authority, speak with our authority, and walk in our authority. It is not enough for us to simply be saved. We are held responsible for much more.

You must know AND accept the authority you have been given so you will be able to go to the throne

of grace boldly as Hebrews 4:16 says you can. You have permission and authority to go to God's throne BOLDLY and ask!

### **Luke 10:19 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

<sup>19</sup> Listen carefully: I have given you authority [that you now possess] to tread on [\[a\]](#)serpents and scorpions, and [the ability to exercise authority] over all the power of the enemy (Satan); and nothing will [in any way] harm you.

The word for *authority* in Greek is "exousia"...which according to *Strong's Concordance* means, "authority, especially moral authority, influence, (b) of a spiritual power, and hence of an earthly power: right or privilege, conferred power; *delegated empowerment* (authorization): delegated power as in authority God gives to His saints."

The word *power* is the Greek "dunamis" meaning "might, power, marvelous works: (a) physical power, force, might, ability, efficacy, energy, ability (properly, 'ability to perform'); power through God's ability." *Dýnamis*, according to *Strong's Concordance*, "is a very important term, used 120 times in the New Testament."

So what can we glean from this word study?

10: 17 returned with joy. How long the mission lasted is not recorded. It may have been several weeks. The seventy probably did not return all at once; but this dialogue appears to have occurred after they had all reassembled. 10: 18 I saw Satan fall. In this context, it appears Jesus' meaning was, "Don't be so surprised that the demons are subject to you; I saw their commander cast out of heaven, so it is no wonder if his minions are cast out on earth. After all, I am the source of the authority that makes them subject to you" (v. 19). He may also have intended a subtle reminder and warning against pride—the reason for Satan's fall (cf. 1 Tim. 3: 6). For discussions of Satan's

10: 19 serpents and scorpions. Cf. Psalm 91: 13; Ezekiel 2: 6. These appear to be figurative terms for demonic powers (cf. Rom. 16: 20). 10: 20 do not rejoice in this. Rather than being so enthralled with extraordinary manifestations such as power over demons and the ability to work miracles, they should have realized that the greatest wonder of all is the reality of salvation—the whole point of the gospel message and the central issue to which all the miracles pointed. because your names are written in heaven. Cf. Philippians 4: 3; Hebrews 12: 23; Revelation 21: 27. By contrast, unbelievers are "written in the earth" (Jer. 17: 13).