

## Authority IV

### How Authority is Expressed

#### I. God's Right to Rule:

- A. Jer. 18:5-6 – God's rights as a potter
- B. Rom. 9:19-21 – Shall the thing formed...
- C. Heb. 12:7-9 – Father of spirits
- D. Acts 17:29-31 – Offspring of God
- E. 2 Cor. 5:10 – We must all be made manifest...

#### II. Divine Authority Expressed:

- A. Father: Exod. 19:5 - Supreme
- B. Son:
  - 1. Heb. 1:1-3 – Spoken unto us...
  - 2. Eph. 1:20-23 – Given all authority
- C. Holy Spirit: Jn. 16:13-15 – Take...declare
- D. Apostles:
  - 1. Jn. 13:1-2; Lk. 22:13, 14 – Background
  - 2. Jn. 14:26; 15:16, 27 – “you”
  - 3. Apostles are ambassadors of Jesus
    - a. Jn. 13:20 – Whomsoever I sent...
    - b. Jn. 17:6-10, 14, 18, 20 – “through”
    - c. 2 Cor. 5:18—6:1 – Ambassadors
    - d. 1 Thess. 2:13 – The word of God
- E. Scriptures:
  - 1. Jn. 20:30-31 – Written
  - 2. Eph. 3:1-5 – Perceive
  - 3. 1 Jn. 1:1-4 – Write
  - 4. 1 Cor. 14:37 – Commandment of...
  - 5. 2 Pet. 3:16 – Warning

- 6. Scriptures are call:
  - a. Heb. 4:12- “word of God”
  - b. Col. 3:16 – “word of Christ”
  - c. Eph. 6:17 – “sword of the Spirit”
  - d. Acts 2:42 – “apostles’ doctrine”
  - e. 2 Tim. 2:15 – “word of truth”



#### Causes of Apostasy

In the last issue, there was a focus on the “Cycle of Apostasy.” In like manner Christ (Matt. 24:9-10), Peter (2 Pet. 3:17), John (1 Jn. 2:18-19), Paul (2 Thess. 2:3-5, 1 Tim. 4:1-3), Jude (1:6), and the Hebrew prophet (Heb. 6:4-8) warned about the impending cycles of apostasy: “a falling away, a withdrawal, a defection” (ISBE). The question that needs to be addressed: what were/are the causes of apostasy? Here are just a few:

- 1) False teachers: Matt. 24:11; 2 Pet. 2:1-3
- 2) Temptation: Lk. 8:13
- 3) Lack of Diligence: Heb. 6:11-12
- 4) Evil heart of Unbelief: Heb. 3:12-14
- 5) Unwise companionship: 1 Cor. 15:33; 2 Cor. 6:14-18
- 6) Forsaking assembled exhortation: Heb. 10:25
- 7) Worldly living: Matt. 13:22

Understand the Cycle of Apostasy: From...

- 1) Bondage to spiritual faith: 2 Tim. 2:24-26; Rom. 6:5-6
- 2) Spiritual faith to great courage: Heb. 10:32-39
- 3) Courage to liberty: Rom. 6:15-18
- 4) Liberty to abundance: Rev. 3:14-17
- 5) Abundance to arrogance: 1 Tim. 6:3-10
- 6) Arrogance to wickedness: 1 Pet. 2:16
- 7) Wickedness to bondage: 2 Pet. 2:17-22 ret

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WORD	SWORD	DOCTRINE
RIGHT	RULE	HEAVEN
MEN	CHOOSE	THIS DAY
SERVE	OBEDIENCE	FELLOWSHIP

Authority IV

With Him is  
*Plenteous Redemption*

Psalms 130:7

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Weekly Reading  
Proverbs 1:1-33 — Psalms 1:1-6

Why do You Think it Was That...

- Jehovah said to Mose and Aaron, ye “shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel”? Numb. 20:24
- “There came forth fire from before Jehovah, and devoured them, (Nadab and Abihu) and they, died before Jehovah” (Lev. 10:1-2)?
- Samuel said to King Saul, “Jehovah hath rejected thee from being king over Israel”? (1 Sam. 15:22-26)?
- Nathan the prophet, said to King David, “the sword shall never depart from thy house” (2 Sam. 12:9-10)?
- The man of God, who came out of Judah to confront Jeroboam, was told “thy body shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy fathers” (1 Kgs. 13:21-22 cf. 13:1-20)?
- “The anger of Jehovah was kindled against Uzza, and he smote him” (1 Chron. 13:6-9, 10, 15:1-2)?
- “Uzziah the king was a leper unto the day of his death” (2 Chron. 26:16-21)?