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Use Your Spiritual Authority! (Part 2)

One of the principal things they taught us in our training to become Army officers was the need to know your enemy. All our planning for offensive and defensive actions were based upon our opponent's strengths, weaknesses, and their probable actions to attack us or defend against their attacks on us. The better we knew those three things, the more effective we would be on the battlefield. In this second part on spiritual warfare, we will explore how you can use this knowledge about our enemy to protect yourselves and be effective against satan's principalities, powers, rulers of darkness, and spiritual wickedness in high places listed in **Eph. 6:12**.

Balance of Power

As we covered in Part 1, satan has no power or authority on earth now because Jesus died, went to hell, and took back the authority satan had stolen from Adam and Eve in the Garden. Jesus has now given us power to use His authority and name to destroy the works of the devil and run all the fallen angels and demonic spirits out of the earth. That will allow Him to bring the Kingdom of His Love back on earth just like He taught us to pray in **Matt. 6:5-16**. Now satan only has authority on earth through men or women who give him permission to use their authority by their disobedience, ignorance, rebellion, willful sins, etc. against God or His Word. If we come against the powers of darkness, we must walk in love as sons and daughters and cover ourselves with the blood of Jesus. We also cannot allow satan to come into our lives, family, or possessions to steal, kill, and destroy!

Know Where You Have Authority

We're only effective where we have spiritual authority.
We only have authority over our family, where we live, work, and go to church (submitted to the pastor) or through activities, organizations, groups, etc. where we have been given some permission, membership, or responsibilities. Our level of authority can increase over time as we grow spiritually mature, become involved at higher levels of influence or positions, or spend more time in communion with our Heavenly Father and Jesus.

Resist the Devil!

The Bible promises that if we resist the devil, he will flee (run in terror! Amp.) from us. **Jam. 4:7 *The first level of spiritual warfare occurs in our own mind and body.***

The enemy cunningly tries to deceive us in our own thinking through deceptions, lies, religious spirits, false teachings, ungodly beliefs, etc. Everything that is not THE TRUTH is a **lie!** Jesus said that He was “The Truth!” **John 14:6** If it doesn’t agree with Jesus or the Word, it’s a lie! We must guard our own mind and thoughts from the devil and his temptations and lies.

We also must resist the devil in our soul (mind, will, and emotions). The devil is the tempter that draws us away, allowing the flesh to rule our thoughts, actions and responses to life. We can be ruled by unbelief, emotions, feelings, weaknesses, pain, or unhealthy needs. I was trapped in pornography trying to comfort the childhood pain in my heart. It was a losing battle until I experienced the Father’s Love and was able to kick the devil out of my mind and body and walk free as His son!

How Do We Resist the Devil?

Power of the Blood

“The Lord shall lift up a standard against him.” **Is. 59:19** That standard is the Cross and the shed blood of Jesus. Blood was shed to establish covenants like God made with Abraham. **Gen. 15:17** Jesus shed blood on the mercy seat and established the new blood covenant. **Heb 13:20** The devil knows the power of the blood and will flee when it is enforced by the believers who know their authority to use it. “And they overcame them by the blood of the Lamb and the words of their testimony.” **satan was stripped of his power at Calvary! Rev. 12:11**

We can plead the blood over our families, relatives, and friends to keep the enemy and evil away from them. Sue and I plead the blood every morning and at night before we go to bed as a shield and covering over us. Blood was used on the door post of the houses in Egypt the night when the death angel passed through and the darkness could not pass over the thresholds! **Ex. 13:12** In like manner, we can take anointing oil and apply the blood to our property boundaries, buildings, and everything in them.

The priests also used anointing oils to cleanse all the items in the tabernacle from all defilement. We can anoint our brains and cleanse away all evil thinking and darkness. Sue and I anoint our motel rooms and event places to cleanse any defilement or darkness that may have been left from other evil activities or what other people may have done in those places in the past.



Use Your Angels!
Two-thirds of the angels that were left after satan’s fall from heaven are here on the earth to minister for us. **Heb.1:14** Angels hearken to the Word and the voice of God. **Ps 103:20** Angels fight for us and protect us. **Is. 37:36** Elisha was surrounded with chariots of fire! **2 Kings 6:8-23**

Watch Your Words!

The earth and everything in it were created from the invisible realm by God’s words. **Heb. 11:1-2** Words are a creative force in the earth and can be used for good or evil. “*Death and life are in the power of the tongue.*” **Prov. 18:21** Jesus cursed the fig tree, and it died. **Mark 11:12-25** Jesus said that if we say something with our mouth and believe in our heart that it will happen, we can have what we say. **Mark 11:23-24** We have the power to move mountains out of our way and pull-down strongholds in our lives and those around us. God called Abram “Abraham,” which means the “Father of many nations,” and it changed his life and the course of history. **Gen. 17:5**

Out of the same mouth can come blessing and cursing. **James 3:10** I heard a pastor say that God told him, “I told my people they can have what they say, but they say what they have!” Stop speaking all the negative, fearful, dark, ugly words that don’t agree with God’s Word! People talk themselves into poverty, sickness, and losses of all kinds, and bad things continue to happen in their lives!

Make Declarations and Decrees

When God breathed life into Adam, the Bible says he became a “living soul.” **Gen. 2:7** The Hebrew here literally means “man became a speaking spirit.” Man was given the power to speak words of spirit and life! We are bringing our future into our present, calling those things that be not as though they were according to God’s Word. When we **declare** a thing, we are speaking what the Word says, or something that the Word says or implies will come to pass in the future. We can declare things the Word says over our family, home, relatives, or friends.

We can personalize scripture verses and turn them into declarations, “I can do all things through Christ that strengthens me.” I am more than a conqueror.” We are not trying to manipulate God or people with our declarations. That would be a form of witchcraft. **We are saying what God has already spoken or decreed.**

When we **decree** a thing, **we are establishing God's Word here on the earth**. God decreed that Jesus was His Son when Jesus was baptized. Since God decreed Jesus was His Son, and Jesus was the first Adam who represents us all, we can now declare what God decreed about Jesus! **"I am God's son"** too!

Prayer

"The effectual, fervent prayers of a righteous man avail much" **Jam. 5:16** The weapons of our warfare are mighty through God to pull down strongholds. We do not fight against flesh and blood, but against principalities, powers, rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places. **2 Cor. 10:3-6** We must put on the full armor of God and stand every day – belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, feet shod with the gospel of peace, shield of faith, helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit. **Eph. 6:14-17** *Having done all to stand, STAND!* Do not back down, compromise, or quit on every prayer you have ever prayed in faith according to God's Word until it is no longer possible for it to be answered!

You have been given authority from Jesus to use His name against our enemies and command them to

go back to where they came from. As a born-again believer, you can bind, loose, petition, command, and make appeals to Heaven and the angels will be activated to fulfill your words! You can also just speak the Word in faith, and the angels will go forth to fulfill His Word.

Pray Ps. 91 every day over yourself and your whole family and declare that no weapon, pestilence, sickness, diseases, or other evils will come against you or overtake your family.

Use the name of Jesus, which is above every other name, to back up your authority and activate the angels on your behalf. We can petition God to close portals that the enemy has illegally opened to gain access to an area and bring in evil. We can pray for the angels to pull down, dismantle, and destroy strongholds, altars, and high places built by the enemy to control areas on the earth. We can pray for God's kingdom to come here on the earth where we live and for His will to be done!

Matt. 6:9-13

**Be BOLD! Be Strong!
Stand your ground! Take back what the
enemy has stolen from you!**

A Father's Blessing for Spiritual Authority!

I bless you to walk in a greater understanding of your spiritual authority where you live and begin to take back everything that the enemy has stolen from you and your family. I bless you to speak words of spirit and life that will make the gates of hell tremble and evil forces to flee from you. I bless you to make declarations and decrees from God's Word over all your family, possessions, where you live, and wherever you go. Call those things that be not as though they were and see them manifest in your life now! I bless you to be a mighty prayer warrior that will change where you live and even your whole nation. You will rally others to join with you in prayer to pull down all strongholds and high places in your area.

