## The Church Has Authority Over the Devil in Jesus' Name

Acts <u>10:38</u> KJV How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: Who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.

In this verse, we see Jesus ruled the devil when He was in His earthly ministry. When He was getting ready to leave, and go to be with His Father, He told all believers that they could rule the devil in His Name.

Jesus gave the Church the power of attorney to use His Name. We are now the devil's worse nightmare: if we get the revelation that we are in charge of the devil and his works in Jesus' Name. Too many Christians are **praying**when they should be **saying** and **telling** the devil what to do.

Mark 16:17-20 KJV And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; [18] They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. [19] So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, He was received up into Heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. [20] And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following. Amen.

That is what happened in the early Church when they used the power of attorney they were given using Jesus' Name. Now, as believers, we have the same authority to crush the devil's works in this earth; but we must know it and take action! We should not be asking our Father God to do something that He has already told us to do. Let's look at what Peter did in the authority of Jesus' Name.

Acts 3:1-7 KJV Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour. [2] And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms of them that entered into the temple; [3] Who seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple asked an alms. [4] And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John, said, Look on us. [5] And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. [6] Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. [7] And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

Notice that Peter did not pray and ask his Heavenly Father to heal the man. He healed the man with his words in the authority of Jesus' Name! We, as believers, have more power and authority than the devil's whole kingdom; because we have been given the power of attorney in Jesus' Name. The devil and demons have to obey us, if we only receive the revelation of the authority that we have been given. Let's look at some times in the Bible when believers used their authority in Jesus' Name.

Acts 8:5-8,12 KJV Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto

them. [6] And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. [7] For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed. [8] And there was great joy in that city. [12] But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the Name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

Luke 10:17-21 KJV And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through Thy Name. [18] And He said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. [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. [20] Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in Heaven. [21] In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in Thy sight.

Today if you meditate on this Newsletter, you will start recognizing how much power **you** have in Jesus' Name. Then you will destroy the devil's works; just like Jesus did when He was here.

Love you, Pastor Paul

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## 8-23-20

\*This Week's Daily Bible Readings

Monday Micah chapter 3
Tuesday Micah chapter 4
Wednesday Micah chapter 5
Thursday Micah chapter 6
Friday Micah chapter 7
Saturday Nahum chapter 1
Sunday Nahum chapter 2

- \*Upcoming Events
- 1. Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon, Wed, & Thur 10-11am; Fri 9:30-10:30
- 2. Mobile Prayer: Fridays 1:30-3pm in Sam's Warehouse Parking Lot
- 3. Can drive for Food Bank: Tubs are at entrances for non-perishable food items
- 4. Noonday Bible Study: Now live on KJRF 91.1fm AND streaming live on our TCC app. Times are 12:15-1pm Mon-Fri.
- 5. Baptisms: Sunday at end of Services

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\*\* Here is a list of the many gatherings we have for you to get together and fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Please take advantage of them, and you will bless yourself and others also.

Sundays \* Prayer: 9am Lee side entrance \* Fellowship in Café 9:15-9:45 am. \* Services 10:45 am

Adult, Youth, and Children classes 9:45-10:30 am

Faith Class: ------Michael Whitley
Financial Class: -----Terry Boyd
Foundation 1 Class: ---Pastor Paul
Foundation 2 Class: ---Mike Wiggins

Healing Class: ------Lester/Monica Witherspoon Marriage Class:------Danny/Demetrius Williams

Prayer Class: -----Joe Cunningham

Children's Sunday School: 6 months - 5th grade Youth Services: -----Lucas/Cyndi Moore

Young Singles/College & Career-Eliav/Kim Nash

Daily \* Early Morning Prayer in Sanctuary: Monday-Friday6:15-7:15am

\* Noonday Bible Study: Mon-Friday 12:15 in Sanctuary OR 91.1fm OR live stream on TCC app

\* Women's Dance Aerobics: Mon-Thur 10-11am; Fri 9:30-10:30 in the

Gym

Weekly \* Adult, Youth & Children Services: Sunday 9:45 & 10:45 am; Wednesday night

<u>7pm</u>

\* Mobile Prayer: Fridays 1:30-3pm in Sam's Warehouse Parking Lot

Monthly \* Men's Meeting: 9am 1st Saturday of each month at Golden Corral

\* Crosses at the Corner: 12-1pm 1st Saturday at corner of Sheridan and

Cache Rd.

\* Women's Meeting: 9am 2nd Saturday of each month

\* Horse Ministry: <u>10am-1pm</u> 3rd Saturday of each month