

Power and Authority

His Authority:

Worthy are You, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created.

Revelation 4:11

Yours, O Lord is the greatness, the power and the glory, The victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours. Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, And You are exalted as head overall.

1 Chronicles 29:11

- **Authority** is the power or right of giving orders, known as a person of having **Power**.
- To understand power and authority we need to:
 - Acknowledge God as the source of all power.
 - As children of God our power and authority is inherited from God.

God's authority has been and will remain the same from the _____ to the _____.

And they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top is in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.

Genesis 11:14

- In building the tower of Babel, the people wanted to demonstrate power disregarding God the one that gives power and authority. Because they ignored His will and were seeking power for their own desires their tower was destroyed because God is above all power in heaven and on earth.
- They treated the power of God like it was an option and irrelevant.
- They didn't see or treat Him as the God of authority.

It is important to see God as our Creator and honor Him in our lives or we do not truly experience His _____.

We should never push and test His authority and try to _____ our own.

Him in us:

Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities for there is no authority except for God, and authorities that exist are appointed by God.

Romans 13:1

God rules overall which means all power and authority is a _____ from Him.

So, all gifts from God _____ power and authority.

Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them and made another five talents. And likewise, he who received two gained also gained two more also. But he who had received one went and dug in the ground and hid his lord's money.

Matthew 25:16-18

- In this parable Jesus is talking about a Master giving talents to 3 different servants. The servant with 5 gifts and the servant with 2 gifts put their gifts to use and gained more. While the last servant given 1 gift dug it in the ground and did not put it to use.
- The Master gave his servant a chance with his gifts

The gifts in the story represent the _____ the master gave the servants.

Just like the servants God sends us with His authority and gives us _____ to be used by Him.

- God is the head of all authority.
- He gives us authority in our gifts.
- He gives us power in our choices.

How are you treating God's authority and what are you doing with the authority He has given you?