

## I. Introduction

### A. Recap

1. Created for Dominion
2. Dominion through Covenant
3. Dominion and the righteousness connection

## II. Dominion and Truth

### A. John 8:27-32

**NKJV** “They did not understand that He spoke to them of the Father. Then Jesus said to them, ‘When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am *He*, and *that* I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him.’ As He spoke these words, many believed in Him. Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, ‘If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.’”

**TPT** “For if you embrace the truth, it will release true freedom into your lives.”

1. Truth and freedom are connected.
  - a. *If you know the truth, the truth will make you free.*
  - b. *If you do not know the truth, you will not be free.*
2. Knowing the truth positions you for dominion.
  - a. You will not step up to use authority unless you know the truth regarding who you are and what you can do.
3. Satan challenges the truth. *Why? If he can cause you to question things, he can keep you from exercising the authority that has been given to you.*
  - a. **Eve – Genesis 3:1**

**NKJV** “Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, ‘Has God indeed said, ‘You shall not eat of every tree of the garden?’”

**NIV** “Did God really say, ‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden?’”

**AMP** “Can it really be that God has said, ‘You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?’”

**Literal Standard Version** “Is it true that God has said, ‘You do not eat from every tree of the garden?’”

**b. Doctrines of Devils – 1 Timothy 4:1-3**

**NKJV** “Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, forbidding to marry, *and commanding* to abstain from foods which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.”

**NIV** “Deceiving spirits and things taught by demons.”

**CEV** “They will be fooled by evil spirits and by teachings that come from demons.”

**GNT** “They will obey lying spirits and follow the teachings of demons.”

**c. What are doctrines/teachings of demons?**

- *Anything that challenges the Word of God.*
- *Anything that speaks directly or indirectly against what the Word of God says.*
- *Teachings that lead you in a direction that is in opposition to what the Word of God teaches.*

**d. Examples:**

- **Cessationism** - *The belief that the gifts of the Spirit are no longer operative in the church today. These gifts were only for a specific era and ended with the death of the first apostles.*

Why could the cessation theory be considered a doctrine of demons?

- Scripture does not teach that spiritual gifts will cease.
- There are historical examples throughout ALL church history of the supernatural power of God continuing in the church.
- This doctrine robs people of the supernatural power that has been made available to them for victory.
- This doctrine will cause people to succumb to circumstances believing that healings and miracles are no longer operational in the church today.
- This doctrine leaves people without hope.

- This doctrine opens the door for the enemy to maintain dominion.
- This doctrine opens the door to premature death.
- **The Sovereignty Error** - Teaching that because God is sovereign, He is the source behind everything that happens, good or bad.

This teaching leads people to believe that everything that happens to them is from God!

- If this is true, why does the Bible tell us to resist Satan?
- If this is true, why engage in the good fight of faith?
- If this is true, why do anything?
- This doctrine causes people to become passive, doing nothing.
- Andrew Wommack Quotes:

*“The belief that God controls everything that happens to us is one of the devil’s biggest inroads into our lives. If this belief is true, then our actions are irrelevant, and our efforts are meaningless. What will be will be.”*

*“God is sovereign in the sense that He is paramount and supreme. There is no one higher in authority or power, but that does not mean He exercises His power by controlling everything in our lives. God has given us the freedom to choose. He has a plan for us. He seeks to reveal that plan to us and urge us in that direction, but we choose. He doesn’t make our choices for us.”*

- In His sovereignty, He gave man dominion over the earth.
- When a person has a religious distorted view of God’s sovereignty, he will not take a stand, resist, or use his dominion. Instead, he will wait entirely upon God believing that in His sovereignty His will is sure to be accomplished.
  - *He will not resist.*
  - *He will not use the name of Jesus that has been given to him.*
  - *He will not use the Word of God as the sword of the Spirit.*
  - *He will not engage in the help of the Holy Spirit by praying in the Spirit.*
  - *He will only TRUST that God has everything under control.*
  - *His only prayer will be: “Lord if it be Thy will.”*

- This doctrine will rob people of the supernatural provision that God has provided.

4. Truth Scriptures

a. **2 Timothy 2:15**

**NKJV** “Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.” **NLT** “Work hard so you can present yourself to God and receive His approval. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the word of truth.”

b. **Eph 6:14**

**NIV** “Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place...”

c. **Phil 4:8**

**ESV** “Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.”

- *Set your mind on TRUTH*
  - *What does He say about me?*
  - *What does He say I can do?*
  - *Truth keeps you positioned at all times in all circumstances to take a stand in dominion against Satan’s strategies.*