



AUTHORITY: KNOW YOUR ROLE

“ART OF WAR” SERIES – PART 1 OF 4

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HEBREWS 10:12–14

...he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool...

WHO'S THE BOSS?

EPHESIANS 2:2

...THE PRINCE OF THE POWER OF THE AIR...

JOHN 12:31, 14:30

...THE RULER OF THIS WORLD...

2 CORINTHIANS 4:4

...THE GOD OF THIS AGE...

1 JOHN 5:19

...THE WORLD IS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE EVIL ONE...

1 JOHN 3:8 ...The reason the Son of God appeared was to **destroy the devil's work.**

SEE: **GEN 1-3 ROM 5 EPH 1:18-23 COL 1:19-23 REV 19-22**

4 QUICK THOUGHTS ON AUTHORITY

1. MY AUTHORITY FLOWS FROM MY GRASP OF **THREE IDENTITIES**:

LUKE 10:17–20

He replied, “**I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.** I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and **to overcome all the power of the enemy;** nothing will harm you...but **rejoice that your names are written in heaven.**”

MY GOD:

MY ENEMY:

MYSELF:

2. **MY AUTHORITY IS ONLY VALID** _____ **HIS AUTHORITY**

JAMES 4:6–8

SEE ALSO: 1 PETER 5:5–9

“...so **humble yourselves before God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.**

⁸ Come close to God, and God will come close to you...”

3. MY AUTHORITY IS **RELATIONAL**

ACTS 19:13–16

...One day the evil spirit answered them, “Jesus I know, and Paul I know about, but **who are you?**” ...the evil spirit jumped on them and overpowered them all...

4. I MUST _____ **EXERCISE MY AUTHORITY**

2 CORINTHIANS 10:3–5

...The weapons **we fight with** are not the weapons of the world...We **demolish arguments** ...against the knowledge of God, and we **take captive** every thought to **make it obedient** to Christ...

TO EXERCISE YOUR AUTHORITY, THERE ARE:

THINGS YOU SHOULD PRAY

THINGS YOU SHOULD _____

WAYS YOU CAN'T _____

THINGS YOU DO **EVERY DAY**

1 SAMUEL 17:26

JESUS GAVE EVERYTHING TO OVERCOME YOUR ENEMY

JOHN 10:10 The thief comes only to **steal and kill and destroy**;
I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

GALATIANS 1:4 “Jesus gave his life for our sins, just as God our Father planned,
in order to **rescue us from this evil world in which we live.**”

PHILIPPIANS 2:5–13

...he humbled himself in obedience to God and **died a criminal's death on a cross. Therefore,**
God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names...

SPIRITUAL DARKNESS IS NO MATCH FOR JESUS

MATTHEW 8:16 ...many demon-possessed people were brought to Jesus.
He cast out the evil spirits **with a simple command...**

LUKE 13:10–13 ...crippled by an evil spirit...she had been bent double for **eighteen years**
...Then he touched her, and **instantly she could stand straight...**

LOOK AT WHAT HE HAS GIVEN US!!!

SCAN HERE FOR:
“**NOT TODAY, SATAN!**”
4-PART SERMON SERIES



EPHESIANS 1:18–23

I pray that **the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know** the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his **incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength** ²⁰ **he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead** and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above **all rule and authority, power and dominion**, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything **for the church**, ²³ **which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.**

1 JOHN 4:4 ...the Spirit who lives in you is
greater than the spirit who lives in the world.

1 JOHN 5:5 “Who can win this battle against the world?
...those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God.”

1 PETER 2:4–5,9-11

THIS IS JUST PART OF IT - READ THE WHOLE PASSAGE!!!

...you are a **chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation**, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who **called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.** ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. ¹¹ Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles (OF THIS WORLD), to abstain from sinful desires, which **wage war against your soul.**

COLOSSIANS 1:9–23

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...We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, **so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him** in every way: **bearing fruit** in every good work, **growing in the knowledge of God**, being strengthened with **all power** according to **his glorious might** so that you may have **great endurance and patience**, ¹² and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has **qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light.** ¹³ **For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,** ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

ROMANS 5:6–18

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...just as sin entered the world through one man (ADAM), and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people... **death reigned** from the time of Adam...who is a **pattern of the one to come.** (THIS IS JESUS!)...But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came **by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ**, overflow to the many!
...if, by the trespass of the one man, **death reigned** through that one man (ADAM), how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness **reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!** ...