



TREE OF LIFE
TABERNACLE

PROVERBS 3:18

Relational Authority

Part 1

The Purpose of this study:

- I was always bothered in Spirit anytime I would hear/see the...
 - *“Name it claim it”*
 - *“You can do anything, you have authority”*
 - *“Pray like Elijah prayed”*
 - *“If I have faith I can perform any miracle, heal any person”*
- The Word of Faith movement has good in it, this belief is slightly off...
- Make it clear through scripture exactly how God & Yeshua operate in authority as our example!
- Encourage, teach and train to walk in that authority

The Authority of Believers

- A great starting point is understanding our position and standing with God through Messiah.
- Sin separated us from God's presence.
 - Removed from His presence in the Garden
 - Separation, Death, Limited Lifespan
- And to reverse or cure that, God had a remedy through the Messiah

The Law of Identification

- Messiah did this by becoming our human representative.
- He worked through what's called, the 'law of identification'.
- That allows one representative to decide or impact for the entire group. Examples:
- Adam turned the whole world over to sin:

Romans 5:12-14 Here is how it works: it was through one individual that sin entered the world, and through sin, death; and in this way death passed through to the whole human race, inasmuch as everyone sinned. Sin was indeed present in the world before Torah was given, but sin is not counted as such when there is no Torah. Nevertheless death ruled from Adam until Moshe, even over those whose sinning was not exactly like Adam's violation of a direct command. In this, Adam prefigured the one who was to come.

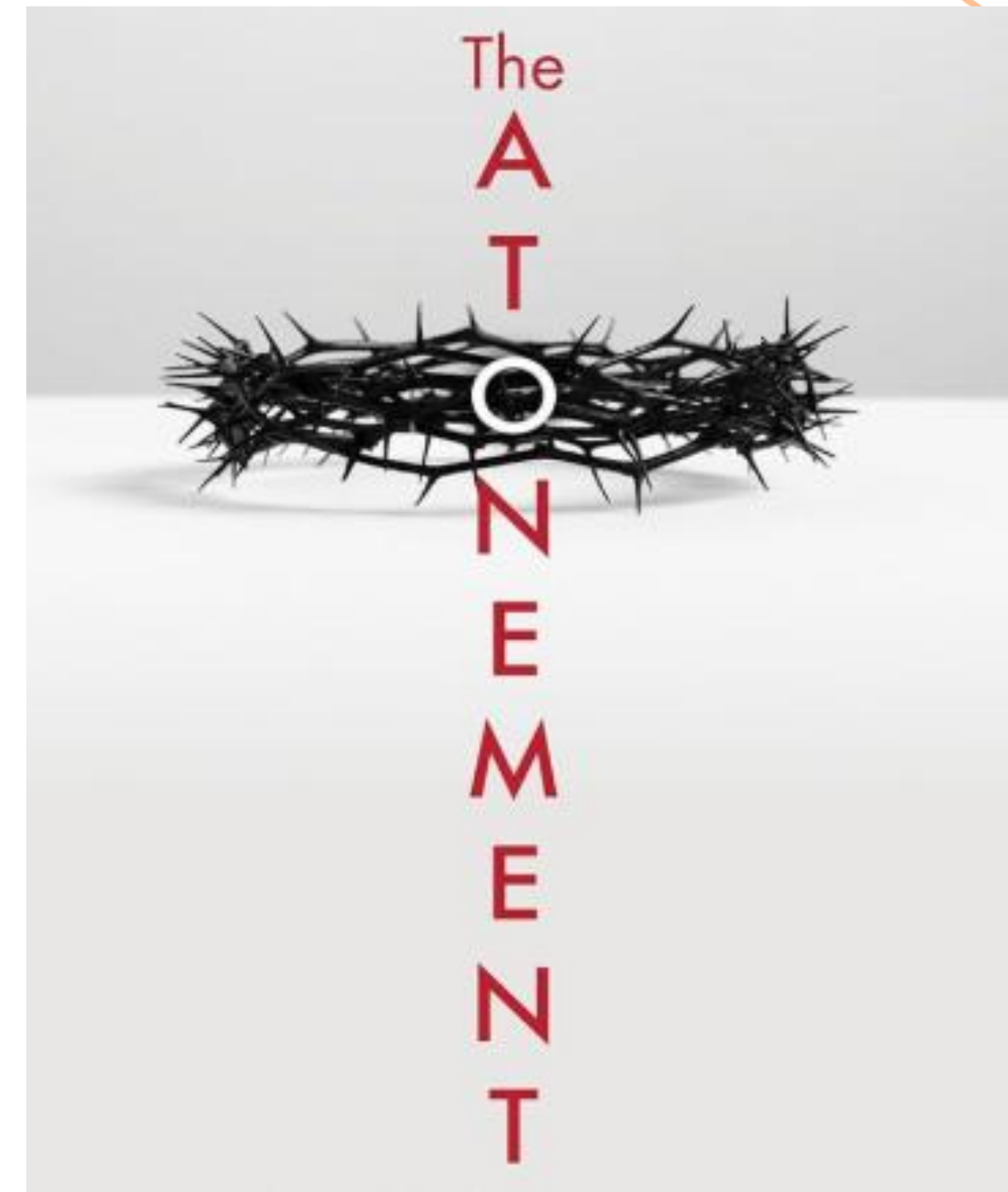
The Law of Identification

- Because of the sin of Adam, all who sin die. So now in Messiah all who trust, live:

Romans 5:17-21 For if, because of the offense of one man, death ruled through that one man; how much more will those receiving the overflowing grace, that is, the gift of being considered righteous, rule in life through the one man Yeshua the Messiah! In other words, just as it was through one offense that all people came under condemnation, so also it is through one righteous act that all people come to be considered righteous. For just as through the disobedience of the one man, many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the other man, many will be made righteous. And the Torah came into the picture so that the offense would proliferate; but where sin proliferated, grace proliferated even more. All this happened so that just as sin ruled by means of death, so also grace might rule through causing people to be considered righteous, so that they might have eternal life, through Yeshua the Messiah, our Lord. (See 1Cor 15:45-49)

The Great Reversal: From Death to Life

- There are few key elements to this great reversal:
 1. Death/Crucifixion
 2. Burial
 3. Resurrection
 4. Ascension
- All through the Law of Identification.
- Designed to remove sin and reunite us with His presence. The Holy Spirit is evidence!



The Law of Identification:

1. Identification with Messiah's Death:

- Through the law of identification, Messiah took away our sin!

Romans 6:6-8 knowing our old man was crucified with Him so that the sinful body might be done away with, so we no longer serve sin. For he who has died is set free from sin. Now if we have died with Messiah, we believe that we shall also live with Him.

Galatians 2:20 When the Messiah was executed on the stake as a criminal, I was too; so that my proud ego no longer lives. But the Messiah lives in me, and the life I now live in my body I live by the same trusting faithfulness that the Son of God had, who loved me and gave himself up for me. (See Colossians 3:3)

- The cross is not just something Messiah did for us, but something we were included in.

The Law of Identification:

2. Identification with Messiah's Burial:

- Through the law of identification, those who believe were buried with Him! (Past tense).

Romans 6:3-4 Or do you not know that all of us who were immersed into Messiah Yeshua were immersed into His death? Therefore we were buried together with Him through immersion into death—in order that... to be continued!

Colossians 2:12-13 You were buried along with Him in immersion, through which you also were raised with Him by trusting in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. When you were dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with Him when He pardoned us all our transgressions.

The Law of Identification:

3. Identification with Messiah's Resurrection:

- Through the law of identification, those who believe will be raised with Him! (Future tense).

1Corinthians 15:21-23 For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead also has come through a Man. For as in Adam all die, so also in Messiah will all be made alive. But each in its own order: Messiah the firstfruits; then, at His coming, those who belong to Messiah;

Romans 6:4-5 Therefore we were buried together with Him through immersion into death—in order that just as Messiah was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become joined together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also will be joined together in His resurrection

- Paul is teaching that your representative determines your destiny.

The Law of Identification:

4. Identification with Messiah's Ascension:

- Through the law of identification, those who believe will ascend with Him!

Ephesians 1:19-23 and what is His exceedingly great power toward us who keep trusting Him—in keeping with the working of His mighty strength. This power He exercised in Messiah when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in heaven. He is far above any ruler, authority, power, leader, and every name that is named—not only in the olam ha-zeh but also in the olam ha-ba. God placed all things under Messiah's feet and appointed Him as head over all things for His community— which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all. (Hebrews 4:14)

- Resurrection → Ascension → Enthronement.
- In this age (world) and the age (world) to come!
- And believers share in all three through identification... →

The Law of Identification:

4. Identification with Messiah's Ascension:

- Through the law of identification, those who believe are Enthroned with Him!
Ephesians 2:4-7 But God was rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us. Even when we were dead in our trespasses, He made us alive together with Messiah. (By grace you have been saved!) And He raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Messiah Yeshua— to show in the olam ha-ba the measureless richness of His grace in kindness toward us in Messiah Yeshua.
- Not only “made alive with Messiah” (resurrected) but seated with Him in Heavenly places! Resurrection → Ascension → Enthronement. Same pattern!
- Paul speaks in past tense (raised), meaning it is a completed positional reality. Believers are already seated with Messiah in the heavenly realm through identification.

The Law of Identification:

- In fact, where we stand, needs to be revealed to us. And that reality of where we stand was done through what Messiah did:

Ephesians 1:17-20 that the God of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah, our glorious Father, may give you spiritual wisdom and revelation in knowing Him. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what is the richness of His glorious inheritance in the kedoshim, and what is His exceedingly great power toward us who keep trusting Him—in keeping with the working of His mighty strength. This power He exercised in Messiah when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in heaven.

Exodus 34:29 Now it happened, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hand when he came down from the mountain, that Moses did not know that the skin of his face was radiant, because God had spoken with him. (Read Exo 34:29-35)

Isaiah 53 Substitution and Identification

- The Messiah stands as the representative of His people.

Isaiah 53:6c So, Adonai has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

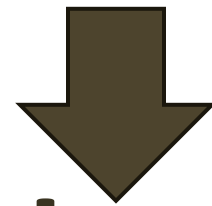
- Paul explains the same exchange:

2 Corinthians 5:21 He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

- When we accept Messiah, our sin is identified with Him, and His righteousness becomes ours. We are justified!
- Even though this is already done, it's "official" at the culmination of His return. Both Future & Past tense. We walk in them now!
- We have been forgiven, raised up and seated with him in, with His Authority. **Ephesians 1:19-23**

The Great Reversal!

- We identify with Yeshua's great reversal:
 1. Death/Crucifixion: **Romans 6:6-8 & Galatians 2:20**
 2. Burial: **Romans 6:3-4 & Colossians 2:12-13**
 3. Resurrection: **1Corinthians 5:21-23 & Romans 6:4-5**
 4. Ascension: **Ephesians 1:19-23 & Hebrews 4:14**



- This enables us to be enthroned with Him! **Eph 2:4-7**
- We're not just a sinner saved by Grace, we've gone from Sinner to Saint (Kedoshim, God's people, Israel)

Not Just A Sinner Anymore!

Colossians 1:11-14 We pray that you may be strengthened with all the power that comes from His glorious might, for you to have all kinds of patience and steadfastness. With joy we give thanks to the Father, who qualified you to share in the inheritance of the kedoshim in the light. He rescued us from the domain of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son whom He loves. In Him we have redemption—the release of sins.

Cleansed and Empowered by Messiah

- We're no longer a sinner in nature, we're a new creation with a clean heart! ("Create in me" **Psalm 51**)
- We may occasionally stumble, because we are still in the flesh, but our Spirit is a New Creation.
- That's why we're at war with our flesh **Galatians 5:16-26**
- The deepest part of you wants to follow God, the deepest part of you has been born again!
- If we still see ourselves as sinners only, then we're saying: *"what Adam did in the garden is greater than what Yeshua did on the cross/tree!"* ~ **Messiah reversed what Adam did!**

Ascension enables authority:

- “It’s going to be reversed” or “It will be reversed”.
- No, it has already been reversed!
- Already, we have been forgiven. (Crucifixion).
- We have been given a new nature (Holy Spirit/Resurrection). **Rom 8:11**
- We HAVE BEEN seated at the right hand of the Majesty on High.

▪ Ascension enables authority:

Hebrews 1:3 This Son is the radiance of His glory and the imprint of His being, upholding all things by His powerful word. When He had made purification for our sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Hebrews 8:1 Now here is the main point being said. We do have such a Kohen Gadol, who has taken His seat at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens. (Psalm 110:1)

Yeshua's Ascension Enables our Authority:

- Yeshua's Ascension Enables our Authority:
- If all Yeshua did was come, die for us, and return to where he came from. Sitting at God's right hand... Then we wouldn't have authority over darkness.
- What makes the ascension great, is that he took us with Him! He left as the 'Son of God' He returned as the 'Son of Man'.
- We no longer have Adam as our representative, we have Yeshua!
- We're now seated at the right hand with Messiah, we have a place of authority with Him. In THIS age/world.
- Our words hold power, or prayers count, we can bind in loose according to His will. We have it, its already ours!

A Transcendent Truth: Seated with Messiah

- This is a transcendent truth, no physical evidence of it other than spiritual evidence, that's why Paul prays that it is revealed to us:

Ephesians 1:17-18 that the God of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah, our glorious Father, may give you spiritual wisdom and revelation in knowing Him. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what is the richness of His glorious inheritance in the kedoshim,

- We legally occupy that seat when we pray!

John 14:3-6 If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and take you to Myself, so that where I am you may also be. And you know the way to where I am going.” Thomas said to Him, “Master, we don't know where You are going. How can we know the way?” Yeshua said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life! No one comes to the Father except through Me.

How can this be?

- How can Scripture say that we are seated with Messiah now, yet we will fully realize this reality in the age to come? And how were figures such as Moses and the priests, prophets, and kings of the Tanakh able to walk in the purposes of God before the Messiah came?

The answer is found in what we might call the law of identification in Scripture.

- When Yeshua ascended, He inaugurated the New Covenant and sat down at the right hand of God as both Son of God and Son of Man (**Psalm 110:1; Daniel 7:13–14; Hebrews 1:3; Hebrews 8:1**). As the representative Man, He entered the heavenly throne room on behalf of humanity. In doing so, He established the position that those who belong to Him now share.
- Yet Scripture also teaches that the work of Messiah was not merely an event within time, but part of the eternal purpose of God. Messiah is described as “***the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world***” (**Revelation 13:8**), and God's redemptive plan was established before the foundation of the world (**Ephesians 1:4; Hebrews 4:3**). What occurred historically at the cross and resurrection was the manifestation in time of what was determined in the eternal counsel of God.

Our Reality;

Because of this, the power of Messiah's covenant work reaches both backward and forward in time. Those who lived before the cross, such as Moses, David, and the prophets, were able to walk in covenant relationship with God because the future work of Messiah would ratify and secure that covenant reality (**Hebrews 9:15**). They trusted the promises of God and therefore participated in the grace that Messiah would ultimately accomplish.

In the same way, believers today live in the power of what Messiah has already accomplished. Through union with Him, we are seated with Him in heavenly places (**Ephesians 2:6**), even though the fullness of that reality will be revealed in the coming Kingdom.

Through the Holy Spirit we already taste the powers of the age to come (**Hebrews 6:4-5**). The Spirit connects us to the heavenly reality where Messiah reigns, allowing us to live now in the authority and life of the Kingdom that will one day be fully manifested.

Thus, through the law of identification, what Messiah accomplished becomes the shared reality of His people; past, present, and future.

Both Directions

The work of Messiah operates across all time because it flows from the eternal purpose of God; therefore both the saints before the cross and believers after the cross participate in the same covenant reality through identification with Him!



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Messiah's Authority

- The Apostle Paul connects the Ascension of Messiah to the Authority over the Powers of Darkness.

Ephesians 1:20 This power He exercised in Messiah when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in heaven. He is far above any ruler, authority, power, leader, and every name that is named—not only in the olam ha-zeh but also in the olam ha-ba.

- The powers of darkness are listed in FOUR classes:

Ephesians 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against **1. the rulers (Arkay G746)**, against **2. the powers (Exousia G1849)**, against **3. the worldly forces of this darkness (kosmokratōr G2888)**, and against **4. the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places (Pneumatika tes Ponerias G4152, 4189,2032)**.

- We covered this in great detail; in “The FULL Arm of of God Part 3”

Messiah's Authority over Demons

- Exemplified in the Disciples authority over Demons: **Matt 10:8**
- And in our calling:

Mark 16:17-18 These signs will accompany those who believe: in My name they will drive out demons; they will speak new languages; they will handle snakes; and if they drink anything deadly, it will not harm them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will get well.”

- Sometimes you may be dealing with a higher rank or stronger demon

Mark 9:28-29 After Yeshua came into the house, His disciples began questioning Him in private, “Why couldn’t we drive it out?” And He said to them, “This kind cannot come out except by prayer.”

- Through Prayer, the Holy Spirit gives us direction and will remind us of our standing with Messiah (**Eph 2:4-7** seated with Messiah at the right hand of God above the powers of darkness). It drives us deeper.

We exercise that Authority

- Demons are continually overstepping their boundaries and authority:
 - Tabitha's life taken (**Acts 9:36-42**)
 - Daughter of Abraham possessed (**Luke 13:16-24**)
- And it is OUR job to rebuke and resist them, not the Angels, not Gods.
- God delighted this authority to us!
- Two-fold Authority:
 1. As Believers (Heavenly). Seated with Messiah **Eph 2:4-7** & Charged **Mark 16:17-18**.
 2. As Humans (Earthly). Authority given to Adam, lost, regained through Messiah **Genesis 1:26**.
- Balancing **1Cor 15:44-46** & **Heb 11:3/1Tim 4:8**

Our Earthly Authority:

- The Prayer of agreement:

Matthew 18:19 Again I say to you, that if two of you agree on earth about anything they may ask, it shall be done for them by My Father in heaven.

- Part of ‘what get’s us heard’ is that we are from the earth! God gave the earth to Man, not Demons. We have the right to be here, the enemy are the ‘outlaws’ or ‘illegals’
- So again, our authority is two-fold:
- We have the right to be here; we were born here. God gave us dominion over the earth. And we are seated in Heavenly places with the Messiah.
- Just as our Sword is two edged. Spoken by God (Heavenly) then spoken by us (Earthly)

God's Power is Infinite!

- **Messiah gave us great authority!**
 - **Let's learn how to use it!**



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