

5Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”**6** Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, **7**casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you. **8**Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. **9**Resist him, firm in your faith... **1 Pet. 5:5-9**

•A roaring lion on the prowl. On the surface, it doesn't look like we stand a chance.

•**The Roaring Lion is the Spirit of FEAR.**

• *Fear is a Controlling Spirit.- PLACING MORE CONFIDENCE IN YOUR CONDITIONS THAN YOUR CREATOR.- **Fear has the power of faith/ What you give it***

•This attack isn't a sneak attack. He is roaring. You can hear him coming for you.*The question is- how do you win against a roaring lion?*

▶ **Here's the key: You don't run; you resist. Resist- Oppose**

Humble yourself Under God's Authority- *Come under to RULE OVER!*

The Source of Authority

•***All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.*****Matt 28:18**

•***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.*** **Luke 10:19**

•**Power is used twice.- Different Greek words- *Authority/Ability***

•**The Traffic Cop- *Does the Traffic Cop have the physical power to hold back those cars. NO, he's got authority***

• **THE DEVIL RECOGNIZES AUTHORITY!**

•*Smith Wigglesworth- lady waiting for bus. little dog. "Honey go on home..""GET OUT OF HERE!!!" He said "That's the way you talk to the devil!!!*

•It's been delegated. Authority is delegated Power!

•*Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Ephesians 6:10*

•*He never said be strong in yourself! - The power of Authority is determined by the force behind it.*

•Back to Luke 10:19- *When you have a revelation of who you are and Who's you are, and the Authority that has been delegated to you, you no longer fear the enemy.*

•*22 And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, 23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.. 1:22-23*

•*No feet in the head.-He is the Head, We are the Body. We have the authority on this Earth.*

•*And raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus... Eph 2:6*

•The right hand is the place of authority!

✓ **Don't RUN. RESIST!**

•***Do you know when the Devil's lying?** When he's talking.*

•He wants to put you in a hypothetical tomorrow where things may or may not happen. Or, put you in a past replaying what you wish you would have said, to the person who offended you.

•*Fear doesn't want you to hear- he's a liar, he's defeated, he's powerless, he's a spirit but there is a **GREATER SPIRIT**- Holy Spirit!*

•***He's like a lion. BUT HE'S NOT A LION!***

•And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. 1 Pet. 5:10

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