

POWER/AUTHORITY (Reemerge)

Sermon Series : Vertical Pursuit

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Scripture : Eph 1:18-23, various

Eph 1:8-23; Luke 4:31-37

Jesus authority came from the Father (John 5:19, 30)

We have received this authority “in Christ”:

1. We receive this authority from POSITION (Eph 2:4-10)

When we surrender, we put ourselves under authority! (Col 2:13-15)

2. We receive this authority from COMMISSION

Luke 8: Jesus shows he has power/authority over *natural* (the storm), *supernatural* (demons), *diseases*, and *death*.

Luke 9:1-6 - The Twelve are sent out with power/authority

Luke 10 - The Seventy-Two are sent out with power/authority

Matt 28:18-20 - The Commission sends us with power/authority

We have a commission to destroy the work of the devil!

(Justice work is: destroying the work of the devil!)

3. To walk in power/authority we have to understand our IDENTITY (Rom 8:14-17)

3. To walk in power/authority we have to have HUMILITY (Jas 4:1-10)

Without humility we misuse power/authority.

God opposes (“sets himself against”) the proud, but shows favor to the humble.

QUESTIONS

Do you *really* believe that you have power/authority in Christ? How might your life (and our church!) look differently if you truly grasped the authority and power you have in Christ?

How have you seen God’s power at work (a) *in* and (b) *through* your life?

If God could pour his power over an issue in your life *right now*, what would you like to see Him do? After someone shares, pray for them to experience God’s power at work in them.

BONUS QUESTION:

Jake said: “We’ve become so comfortable with what (we believe) we’re gifted in that we never step outside of that to take risks.” To what degree is this true of you?