

“Kingdom Citizens’ Authority”

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PART 1 of 2

**“The Foundations
of our Authority”**

Is this you?

*I'm just
a sinner saved
by grace??*



**Talk about
Miserable!**

You

→ **WERE** ←

saved by grace

(past tense)

In Jesus' parable of the prodigal father the son was immediately given shoes, a turban, a family cloak and the family ring



Jesus' parable of
the prodigal father
shows we are
freely and
immediately
adopted back into
Father's household



You must see
yourself as

Father
SEES
you



Here's good advice:

NEVER

go

there

Let's see who
we really are

What does 'adam' mean?

It is the Hebrew אָדָם (*'adam*) meaning 'to be red'.

Referring to the ruddy colour of human skin?

It could have come from Akkadian *adamu* meaning 'to make'.

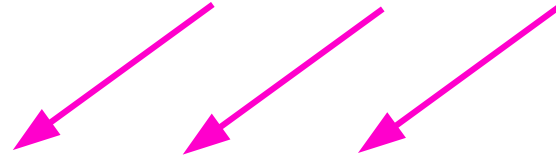
Adam was created from the earth by God so

Adam may be derived from Hebrew אֲדָמָה

(*'adamah*) 'earth'.

In the ancient Hebrew?

'Adam' אָדָם



“The government of the house
of the never-ending supply of
Heaven to the Earth”

Did you know?

**Adam was a
son of God**

...the son of Enosh, the son of Seth,
the son of Adam, the son of God.

Luke 3:38 (NKJV)

Adam was God's 'imager'

He was God's representative
on Earth

He was to use God's authority

Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him.

(ctd.)

Genesis 1:26-27 (NKJV)

God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; **have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Adam worked for God on the
Earth

He was placed in a lush
garden to **tend** it and
cultivate it

Then the Lord God took the man
and put him in the garden of Eden
to tend and keep it.

Genesis 2:15 (NKJV)

'cultivate'



Adam had a communal
relationship with God's
Vice-regent (i.e. 'The Son')

And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. Then the **Lord God called to Adam** and said to him, “Where are you?” So he said, “I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid...”

The Fall destroyed this
relationship

BUT... Jesus reversed it

Being born-again restores
us to where Adam was
originally...

because the Fall is
reversed

We now are Father's
adopted sons, being about
his business on Earth,
using the full authority
given to us for the job

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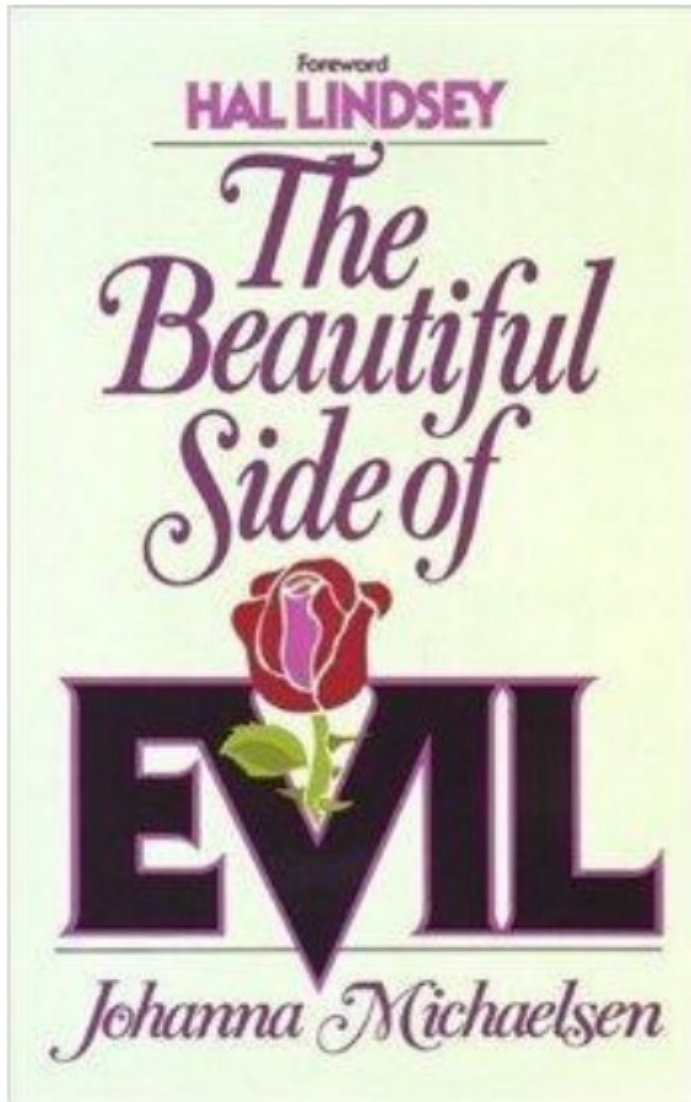
The devil is a fallen angel.

Angels are spirits; therefore, Satan and all of his demons do their business on the spiritual frequency. That is to say they exist in the spiritual realm.

Though natural man is not sensitive to the spiritual realm, demon spirits often assist natural man in sorcery, magic, and different supernatural spirit crafts.

The natural man participating in occult practices is informed by and guided by demons.

Not being able to see clearly into the spiritual realm, the deceived sorcerer may think that God is his source.



A fuller understanding of this can be read in this book

The 'Beautiful Side of Evil' is Johanna Michaelsen's story of her spiritual searching that led her to become a personal assistant to a "psychic surgeon" for 14 months in Mexico. She then encountered the 'Master Physician' and was rescued.

The believer who is not yet baptized in the Spirit is not able to tell the difference and may fear entering into the spiritual realm by receiving the baptism of the Spirit. He may ascribe the works of the Spirit of God to demons.

To warfare against the powers of darkness one must also cross over into the spiritual realm.

In the name of Jesus, we have authority over all the powers of darkness in the spiritual realm. Satan and every demon must obey any believer who truly speaks with the spiritual authority of Jesus.

However, Satan and the powers of darkness are given certain authority in the Word of God. There are certain conditions in which the powers of darkness are given permission by God in His Word to attack and do harm.

All of these conditions are brought about by man and his decisions. They are not brought about by God. It is man who gives the powers of darkness place to do their dirty work.

The enemy knows his legal rights that are given by God and written in the Word of God.

In a word, sin gives the enemy legal right or license to attack and torment Christians.

In another word, repentance removes the license to attack or torment believers.

Of course the unrepentant sinner who has rejected Christ has no defense against the wiles of the devil and must depend on believers for any sanctification or protection that he may have.

Unforgiveness is one of the major legal rights given the enemy in the Word.

Another major legal right of the enemy is disobedience.

To know the will of God and not do it is disobedience and sin.

A biblical word for a legal right of the enemy is a “curse”.

Christ has redeemed us from the curse.

(Galatians 3:10-13)

But to think that one can walk in unrepentant sin and not open the door to the enemy is foolishness. One must repent to appropriate the work of God to be fully protected from the work of the enemy.

Other areas of legal rights in the Word giving the enemy license to attack are:

- iniquity of the fathers,
- spoken words,
- judgments,
- improper vows,
- occult involvement, and
- improper soul ties.

Before a lasting work of deliverance from the work of the enemy in a person's life can be affected, the conditions which are giving the enemy license must be corrected.

Jesus has provided all that is necessary to completely rectify the condition and set the person free. There is nothing lacking in the work of Jesus. Our need is to appropriate the work of Jesus into the life situation.

For example, we all know that Christ died to save every person in the world. But all are not saved. Some have appropriated the work of Christ while others have not. Some are reborn and some are not. Those who believe and confess with the mouth are saved. Those who do not are not saved, even though the work of Christ and the grace of God is sufficient and available to save them. (Romans 10:8-10)

The same thing is true with all the provisions of God through Jesus Christ. There is always an acceptance factor on the person's part.

Even though Christ has provided salvation including deliverance and healing, it will not be forced upon an unbeliever. One must believe in the heart and confess with the mouth to bring forth the provisions of Christ. Thus a work of believing (faith) and speaking (~~prayer~~) is involved in appropriating the works of Jesus to set us free and to heal the wounds of the enemy.

'speech'

Obviously the enemy must prevent believing and powerful ~~prayer~~ if he is to hold on to his captives.

They are only captive as long as they do not believe in the power and provision of the resurrected Christ in their heart and do not confess with their mouth their healing and deliverance.

The enemy will bring strong delusions wherever he can.

He will send spirits of spiritual blindness, darkness, deception and delusion to cloud the spiritual mind of the captive person to keep them from seeing the truth in the spiritual realm.

For those entrapped by drugs, alcohol, witchcraft, occult, etc., he will send mean and violent demon spirits to torment and lead into blatantly evil lifestyles.

For those entrapped in religion he will send demon spirits masquerading in the costume of angels of light to subversively plant:

- debate,
 - strife,
 - gossip,
 - backbiting,
 - accusation,
 - condemnation,
 - secret lust,
 - pornography,
 - manipulation,
 - lying, etc.,
- all hidden under a mask of light;

He will even use the Bible to mislead and create doubts and unbelief.

The enemy has many schemes or patterns of activity. But each and every scheme depends on spiritual blindness and deception to prevent the captive from knowing that the prison doors are open.

The Spirit of Christ within you can speak to the bondages, bruises, and blindness inflicted by the enemy, and can by the power of the Spirit of Christ destroy the strongholds of the enemy.

If we can see these things within ourselves, we can deal with them within ourselves. We can speak to the conditions in our own life by the Spirit of the Lord, which is speaking in the name of Jesus, and drive the enemy from our 'land'.

Just using the name of Jesus in our prayer and proclamation is not speaking in the name of Jesus. To speak in the name of Jesus one must speak from the Spirit of Christ, from the spiritual realm.

To attempt to vainly use the name of Jesus, without being filled with the Spirit of Christ, and without seeing or hearing from the spiritual authority in Jesus, will not be effective and can cause increased disorder.

Remember the sons of Sceva?

The person interceding becomes a minister and must be led of the Spirit to help someone come to Jesus and receive the work of healing and deliverance from the enemy's wounds and bondages.

All evil spirits must absolutely obey the commands of one praying or speaking in the name of Jesus.

When the evil spirits are bound, the person should be able to begin to see the light and truth of God and His Word.

Without this powerful spiritual help the person will remain blinded and unable to receive spiritual truth and virtue that would save, heal, and deliver him.

When the light enters the person's heart they can and must then decide to receive the light, come into agreement with God, repent of their sin, and begin receiving the grace of God.

No one can force another to receive the light of God and turn from their sin. Every person must make their own decisions.

The person in spiritual darkness, covered by evil spirits of spiritual blindness, deception, and delusion does not have the opportunity to receive the light until spiritual power is brought forth by ~~prayer~~ to temporarily bind (stop) the work of the enemy and allow the light of God to get in.

Once the spirits of darkness are bound the Holy Spirit must bring forth the Word of God.



Rhema not Logos

The Word of God is the sword of the Spirit for permanently destroying the work of the enemy.



Rhema not Logos

Speaking good thoughts or wisdom to the person at this time is not necessarily helpful. Speaking the Word of God is the only powerful tool the Holy Spirit needs to bring forth the light and power of God into the persons heart and life.



Rhema not Logos

Once the person has received the Word and responded in agreement with it, powerful prayer of agreement can effectively appropriate the work of the Spirit of God and holy angels to drive the enemy from the 'land' and begin healing the heart and life from the afflictions of the enemy.

The individual now has the power within himself to submit to God and resist the devil.

The powers of darkness no longer have any legal right to in any way torment or stress the person.

The devil is a liar and a cheater and will continue to try to stress the person by deceit.

He will bring up the old past sins and disobedience and try to torment with them.

(John 8:44)

One need only continue to submit to God, draw near to Him, and RESIST the devil and he must flee.

Resisting the devil simply means exercising one's authority over him by speaking forth the truth of God, and commanding him in the name of Jesus to be gone.

When one's sins are forgiven by the blood of Jesus they no longer exist in the spiritual realm at all. God puts them away as far as the east is from the west, and they no longer exist. They are permanently and forever blotted out by the blood of Jesus.

God chooses to retain no remembrance of our sin, we are pure and holy in Christ.

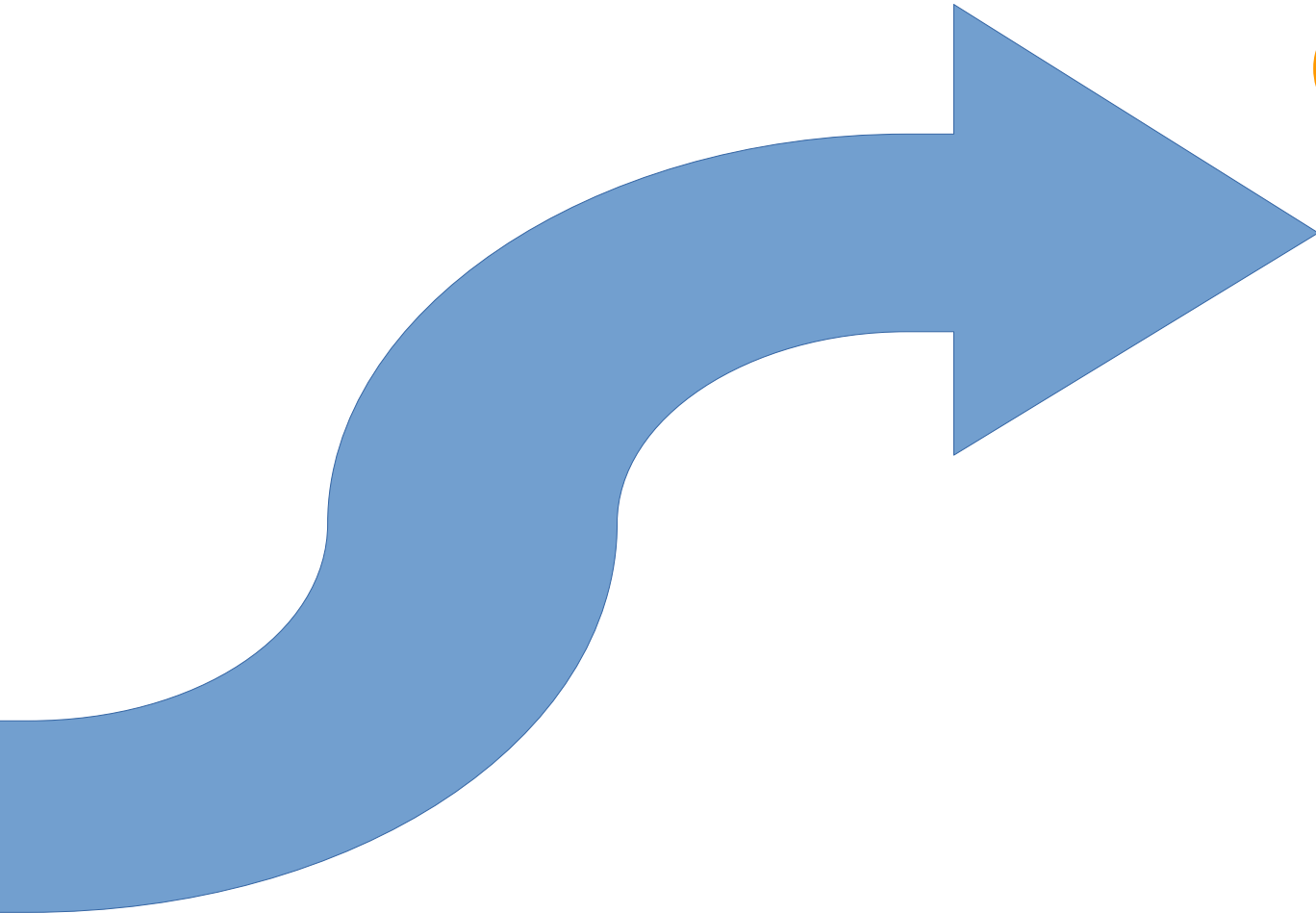
The devil has no place, but we may need to confront him and resist his unlawful attempt to deceive us into receiving his stress and torment.

The believer must speak to the condition, the disorder, the disease, the demon, the storm, or whatever God wants to change; and command in the name of Jesus that the situation come into order and alignment with the will and Word of God.

The believer must hear and see what the Father is doing, get in alignment with it, and flow with it.

The believer must speak the will of God with the authority of the name of Jesus.

The spiritual realm is greater than the natural realm. When the work is done in the spiritual realm it will manifest in time into the natural realm.



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next
lesson**

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