

## WALKING IN AUTHORITY

**AUTHORITY** – The power or right to give commands, enforce obedience take action, make final decisions, authorization; legal power or right.

It has always been in the plan of God for mankind to have authority and dominion. In the book of Genesis we see God placing man in the garden and giving him authority over fish fowl, land and everything else. We lost that dominion but through the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, God wants us again to walk in the delegated authority that he has given us through him.

If you went to K-mart or some business there is usually a room in the place that says “authorized personnel only” That means that anybody couldn’t just walk in there. You have to be authorized to go in. You have been given legal access to enter. If I go in I am unauthorized to go in and must suffer consequences for trying to operate with an undelegated authority.

Jesus called his disciples and gave them power to be with him and over all unclean spirits. What we call attitudes and personalities are actually spirits. Sickness, infirmities, disobedience, pride, etc.

As believers in Christ, we have been given full authority by Christ himself over sickness, disease, to cast out demons and over all the power of the enemy. But we won’t take advantage of it if we don’t have a strong conviction or knowledge that we have that legal authority.

## HOW DOES THIS AUTHORITY WORK?

Authority doesn't ask and it doesn't beg.....IT COMMANDS! Jesus never asked a demon to leave. He never begged a demon to leave. He commanded the demon to leave and if we are operating on the delegated authority from him, we have to command also.

**COMMAND:** power to control or dominate; act as a commander; demand authoritatively.

(with your mouth) – Life and death are in the power of the tongue so with our tongue we command the dead things and the dry things to come back to life. Command our bodies to line up with the word of God, to call the things that be not as though they were:

Let's keep walking in authority