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You don't have to be a rocket scientist to look around our world today and see that there's a lot of things that aren't working very well. There's crime, war, there's poverty, there's food shortages, social injustice, political corruption, drug and sexual abuse, and a myriad of other things. Some people will say, well those are the facts and that's just the way it is. The thing about the facts is, that facts that happened over and over again and happened without any exception and under every circumstance, we call it a law. What we are seeing in the world today, God calls it the law of sin and death.

Now many people's tendency, including Christians, is to raise their voices and rail against the problem, complaining that there ought to be a law against it. Some do civil protest and some even do riots in the streets. The problem with all of those reactions is, that man living apart from God actually is the problem. For example, you can pass a law that says all men are created equal, but you can't legislate the hearts of people to treat each other the way they like to be treated. The scripture says in Romans 8:2, that the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ, has set us free from the law of sin and death. The law of sin and death is still operating though. It's going very strong even as you listen to this video. It's because of Christ's sacrifice for our Redemption that we've been set free from it. It may have ruled over us for many years, but it's been overruled in our lives because we become new creatures in Christ. Old things are passed away and all things have become new.

Let me try to illustrate how this law gets over ruled in our lives. One example of a law would be the law of gravity. If you drop a quarter in Saigon, San Francisco, or South Africa it'll drop to the ground every time without fail. If I put my hand under it while it's falling the law gravity is overruled by the life that's in me.

Another example of overcoming this law is that every day airplanes that weigh many tons, overrule the law of gravity by utilizing a different law. By Bernoulli's Axiom, also known as the law of lift, these gigantic planes fly all over the world every day.

Let me share a scripture with you out of the Amplified Bible. It's Colossians chapter 1 verse 12, it says, giving thanks to the father who has qualified and made us fit to share the portion which is the inheritance of the saints, God's holy people in the light. The Father has delivered and drawn us to Himself, out of the control and the dominion of darkness. He has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love. This means that we are absolutely free from the dominion, the control and the authority of this current world system of which Satan is the ruler this world system trying to exercise authority over my life it's a bit like the Japanese government trying to text me when I'm a citizen of the United States I'm exempt they have no authority over me you know what Satan loves though he loves that many of us wish and hope that this would be true in our lives someday he doesn't even mind that we pray fervently that someday this will be our experience

In God's mind this is already a completed reality he is already paid in full with the blood of Christ to redeem us he has already given us his eternal life as our inheritance as his children and he has given us the Holy Spirit as the guarantee of our inheritance the Holy Spirit has been given to us to reveal this to us and make it our reality know the facts are that we may have had a 50-year experience of being born into this world system of being influenced by it our whole lives and living under its Authority but Jesus said You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free he also said that I am the way I am the truth and I am the life Jesus God's absolute truth is the only one that can overrule the facts the law of the spirit of Life Christ Living in us and us living in him has set us free from the law of sin and death closing let me share another scripture it's Romans chapter 8 verses 12 through 14 it reads so then brethren we are not debtors to our flesh we are not obligated to our carnal nature to live rule by the standards set up by the dictates of The Flesh for if you live according to the dictates of the flesh you will surely die but if through the power of the Holy Spirit you are habitually putting the death making extinct deadening the evil Deeds prompted by the body you shall really and genuinely live forever for all who are led by the spirit of God are the sons of God.

Let me ask you all a question. Do you know the difference between Authority and Power?

Let me give you two examples that always clarify it for me.

In construction, when they're building a road or something, they use gigantic dump trucks. They load them up with Sanford gravel and rocks and cement and they weigh many, many tons. It takes an awful lot of power to get those trucks

moving and they move down the highway at 70 to 80 km an hour. But a 100-pound woman in a police uniform can hold up her hand and that gigantic truck comes to a screeching stop. The truck has 300 five hundred or a hundred times more power than the woman does. But she has all the authority of the government behind her.

Another example is the one we spoke of last time. It was about the centurions. Centurians were Military Officers who had authority over 100 men in the old Roman army. They could give a command and the soldiers had to obey. Imagine with me for a minute that the centurian wakes up one morning and looks about the camp, and says I'm not going to obey Caesar anymore. I'm through submitting to his authority. Then he begins to command the man you get the tents down and load them on the donkeys and let's move out. All of the men would look at him and say, we're not doing anything for you. That's Center Ian would be outnumbered 100 to 1. He was not the Centurion because he was the strongest man in the Army. He didn't know martial arts and Kung Fu to where he could defeat all 100 men by himself. He was the Centurion because he had the authority of Caesar behind him.

When Jesus walked on the earth, he was in complete submission to Authority the god of Heaven and Earth. He demonstrated the life that God's children can walk in because of their Oneness with God.

Every place he went he went in the authority of God. When he went to a village, people were healed, demons were cast out, and people got a revelation of how much God love them.

He also delegated to his disciples his authority to accomplish his purposes after he left the Earth. We call it the Great Commission.

He gave his instructions to his disciples after he left in Matthew 10.7. As you go, preach, saying the Kingdom of Heaven Is Here. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, and proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom.

I know that sometimes when we're out doing the will of God, it feels like Satan and his resistance is the big dump truck. But always remember we have the policeman's uniform and can resist him with the authority of God. He has given us his authority to overrule everything that resist God's plan of reaching this world for Christ and making every person on it a member of his family, and a citizen of his kingdom.

God bless you
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