THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN POWER AND AUTHORITY

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Mathew 18:18

Every human wants power and authority. Walking in power and authority gives you power **OVER YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES**. To have permission to control what happens and what doesn't happen and the ability to do what you need when you need it is God's Kingdom plan for His people.

Walking in power and authority on the earth is **NOT** dependent on you being financially rich. It is **NOT** dependent on you holding a powerful position. It is **NOT** dependent on you knowing influential people.

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

Walking in power and authority on the earth is dependent on you **KNOWING AND APPLYING THE KINGDOM LAWS OF GOD**. When Adam was living in the garden of Eden he was walking in power and authority. He had the **ABILITY** to make things happen and the **PERMISSION** and **LICENSE** to make things happen.

This type of dominion came from the Kingdom of God. When Adam lost the Kingdom of God in Genesis 3 he lost his power and authority. When Jesus wrapper himself in flesh to die for the sins of the world His assignment was to bring back the Kingdom of God so we can reclaim what Adam lost...**ROYAL POWER AND AUTHORITY**.

King Jesus first message was the Kingdom of God. Mathew 4:17 says, "From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Change your hearts and lives, because the kingdom of heaven is near." King Jesus knew we were living beneath His expectation. He knew we were not fulfilling God's will.

In order to re-establish the original purpose for humanity King Jesus had to restore what Adam lost. King Jesus performed miracles, divine healing, and taught the Kingdom message tirelessly because He wanted to demonstrate the power and authority we should have on the earth.

YOU NEED BOTH

It is frustrating to have power **WITHOUT** authority and vice versa. People who have power void of authority have the ability without the license. They are like an educated person who has the knowledge to change their situation but they are held captive by a fool in position who hasn't given them permission to exercise their knowledge.

This is a common thing most people are going through. They are held back by people in position who refuses to give them the license to exercise their God given ability. People who fall into this category live frustrated, discouraged and despondent.

People who have authority yet void of power have the permission to do what's needed but they do not have the ability. It's like a child having the license to drive a car when they do not possess the skill to operate the car. Having authority **WITHOUT** power is **DANGEROUS**.

People who fall into this category make poor decisions, lead people into a ditch and invites trouble into their environment. In order to be an **EFFECTIVE** Kingdom citizen on the earth you need to have power **AND** authority. You need the ability **AND** license to make things happen.

"Mathew 18:18 says, "I tell you the truth, the things you don't allow on earth will be the things God does not allow. And the things you allow on earth will be the things that God allows."

THIS IS KINGDOM POWER AND AUTHORITY!

The world cannot provide this to you, **ONLY** the Kingdom of God. The way you can access Kingdom power and authority is by **STUDYING**, **UNDERSTANDING**. and **APPLYING** the Kingdom laws of God.

The Kingdom laws of God will make a foolish person wise. They will make a non-productive person effective. They will make a powerless person powerful. They will make an insignificant person great.

When you are able to walk in power and authority on the earth you will experience a fulfillment and contentment that is beyond your imagination. The fulfillment I am referring to is the power to **CONTROL YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES**!

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