

THE BELIEVER'S AUTHORITY

Moving from passive faith to victorious realization. Based on the teachings of Kenneth E. Hagin.



The tragedy of the unclaimed inheritance

A man in Chicago lived his entire life in abject poverty, eating from garbage cans and sleeping in a \$3-a-week room. When he died of malnutrition, an autopsy revealed a money belt around his waist containing over \$23,000. He lived as a pauper while possessing a fortune.

The Natural Reality



The Spiritual Reality



Authority requires a spirit of wisdom and revelation

The Limitation of Intellect

We cannot grasp our spiritual authority through the mind alone. It requires supernatural unveiling by the Holy Spirit.

The Danger of Ignorance

Hosea 4:6 warns: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." What we do not know, we cannot enforce.

The Key to the Inheritance

Paul's prayers in Ephesians 1 and 3 unlock our rights. Praying for the "eyes of our understanding to be enlightened" shifts us from ignorance to realizing the exceeding greatness of His power.




Shifting our posture from the Cross to the Throne

	Cross Religion	Throne Religion
The Posture	Lingering at the site of death.	Ascended to the place of authority.
The Focus	Focused on defeat, begging, and suffering.	Focused on resurrection, reigning, and enforcing.
The Action	Begging God to act against the devil.	Exercising delegated authority to command the enemy.
The Outcome	Dominated by circumstances; waiting for the Millennium.	Ruling and reigning as kings in THIS life.


The hierarchy of spiritual delegation

Level 1




God the Father
The Source. Exalted Christ far above all principalities.

Level 2




The Resurrected Christ (The Head)
Possesses all authority in heaven and earth (Matt 28:18), but is seated and suspended from earthly action.

Level 3



The Believer (The Body)
Co-seated in heavenly places.
The Head is totally dependent on the Body to carry out His plans on earth.

Level 4



Earthly Circumstances & Spiritual Forces
Placed firmly UNDER the feet of the Body.

We were raised and seated together with Him

The Simultaneous Resurrection

The act of God that raised Christ from the dead also raised His Body. In the mind of God, when Jesus was raised, we were raised.

The Seated Position

When Christ sat down, we sat down. We are co-seated far above principalities and powers.

Fighting FROM Victory

Our combat with the enemy must always begin from this consciousness: we are seated ABOVE the powers we are dealing with. We are not fighting for victory; we are fighting from it.

Authority is delegated power backed by the Throne

Power vs. Authority

The Greek words are often mistranslated. Jesus gave us authority (the legal, delegated right) over all the power (the raw strength) of the enemy.

The Traffic Cop Principle

A traffic cop lacks the physical strength to stop a speeding car. He stops it using the absolute authority vested in him by the government.

Heaven's Backing

The devil and his forces are obliged to recognize our authority because the power of God Himself is backing our command.



Arrayed for battle: The Armor of God

Girdle of Truth

Clear understanding of the Word holding everything in place.

Breastplate of Righteousness

Jesus as our righteousness and obedience to the Word.

Sword of the Spirit (Offensive)

The Word of God actively spoken to strike the enemy.

Shoes of Peace

A faithful ministry proclaiming the Gospel.

Helmet of Salvation

Protecting the mind and hope in days of deception.

Shield of Faith (Active Defense)

Quenching every fiery dart of the wicked.



Exposing the illusion of the roaring lion

Satan's primary tactic is deception.

1 Peter 5:8 states the devil walks about "as a roaring lion." He operates on deception, fear, and psychic parlor tricks, having been stripped of his actual authority.

The roar is a facade.

When we stand our ground and resist steadfastly in the faith, the terrifying roar is revealed to be an illusion against the believer.

He will flee in terror. The devil will flee from you in absolute terror when you demand your rights and stand your ground in the Name of Jesus.



If you don't do anything about it, I cannot.



Waiting on Heaven

Nowhere in the New Testament is the Church told to pray that God or Jesus will do anything against the devil. To do so is a waste of time. If believers permit the enemy to act, heaven will permit it.



Taking Authority

Jesus has already delegated all earthly authority over darkness to the Church. We are told to resist the devil. We are told to cast out demons. If believers refuse to permit darkness, heaven will back them up (Matt 18:18).

The boundaries of your spiritual jurisdiction



Total Authority (Your Domain)

- Your own physical body and mind.
- Your immediate household and children.
- Demonic oppression operating in your immediate physical presence.

No Authority (Another's Domain)

- Another human being's sovereign free will.
- You cannot cast a demon out of someone who wants it to stay.
- You cannot exercise authority over someone else's life without their consent and faith.

Spiritual authority acts as an absolute, impenetrable shield over one's own domain, but it strictly respects the boundary of human free will.

Enforcing the victory in daily life



1. Demand Your Rights

Do not beg God. Demand that the enemy release your rights and privileges in the Name of Jesus (John 14:13).

2. Break the Power

Speak directly to the unseen force. Declare: "Satan, I break your power over my family and body in the Name of Jesus."

3. Resist the Spirits

Fear and doubt are not just emotions; they are spirits. Address them directly: "Fear, I resist you. Leave me."

4. Hold the Ground

Physical manifestations may not change instantly. Do not slip back into the natural arena of reason. Operate in the arena of faith.

Reigning as kings in this life

“For if by one man’s offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.” (Romans 5:17)



- ✓ We are not wandering like beggars hoping to barely survive until heaven.
- ✓ We are joint-heirs, equipped with the Armor of God, backed by the power of the Father, and seated with Christ.
- ✓ Take your place of authority.