

# **Beyond Sunday with Scripture References**

## **In the Beginning (Authority of the Believer pt 1)**

### **A Sermon Application Guide**

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with this week's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

#### **Message Theme & Prayer Focus**

Authority Of The Believer

*“Father, thank you for your truth in this message that stands above all else. Open my eyes and heart to receive all that you have for me as you lead me by your Spirit. Encourage and strengthen me to hold fast as I take each next step in my journey with you, in Jesus’ name. Amen.”*

#### **Key Concepts/Truths**

The healthiest way to minister and speak is to do so from what God has already been ministering and speaking to us in our hearts. Many times we think we need the next greatest revelation to be relevant and impactful, but it's the truth that God is sowing in our heart that, when spoken, has the greatest impact.

Every person was created in God's image and likeness. We are a spirit, we have a soul, and we live inside of a body. Through our body we connect with the natural realm, and through our spirit we make contact with the spiritual realm.

When God speaks to us, He does so by our spirit, in our heart. We can know things intellectually, but it's through our heart that we believe and receive all that God has for us.

We were created to have dominion and to have success. All things were put under our feet as we were created by God. The devil tries to use the authority that Adam and Eve gave up to him when they disobeyed, but it's only the devil's until believers rightfully take it back from him.

God gets blamed for so much bad that happens in the world, but evil really came into the world when Adam and Eve allowed the devil to strip them of their authority. Everything that kills, steals, and destroys comes from the devil, while everything that is good comes from God.

God doesn't make people sick. It's not for God's glory that we stay in sickness and disease, it is for God's glory that we take our authority back, come up out of that sickness, and show others the power of God.

We must realize that we are in a spiritual war for victory, peace, health, provision, and an endless amount of things that the devil wants to steal from us. The last time the devil fled from us was the last time that we actively resisted him, standing firm in our faith. We overcome the devil by Jesus blood, and speaking God's biblical truth that is found in our testimony.

### **Key Verses:**

Genesis 1:26 • 1 Thessalonians 5:23 • Psalm 8:4-6 • Luke 4:5-7 • Luke 13:10-17 • 1 Peter 5:8 • John 10:10 • John 12:31 • John 14:30 • 2 Corinthians 4:4 • 1 John 5:19 • Ephesians 2:2 • Ephesians 6:10-13 • Romans 5:12 • Hebrews 2:14 • Acts 10:38 • Job 9:22-24

### **Daily Application**

When thinking about the next step in our faith journey, we can't forget to start with a first step—speaking. There is so much power in the words we read in scripture, the words that the Lord speaks to our hearts, and the words that we say ourselves. We are to use all of these words as weapons to fight our spiritual battle, not simply lay down and let the devil, or life in general, just happen to us.

Scripture says that we overcome through Jesus' blood, and the word of our testimony. It's so important to keep those things close to our heart, to meditate on them, and share them. In an active war, soldiers keep weapons close and stand hand in hand with fellow brothers and sisters at arms. The same should be true for us in this spiritual war that we wage. Do you keep your weapons at hand?

Take a moment to think. Have you ever written down your testimony? Have you ever shared the biblical truth you've learned with a friend or someone that needs to hear it? Are you speaking the Word of God over your life with authority? All of these things seem elementary, but are so profound in tearing down the devil's plans and building up the Kingdom of God. So write down that testimony. Speak confidently what the word says, and share the truth you've discovered in it with those around you. You'll find yourself living in all of the promises and blessings of God as you do.

### **This Week's Declaration**

"I am in Christ, and I am a new creation. All authority in Heaven and on Earth was given to Jesus, and He has passed it all on to me. I take back the authority that the devil stole and I use it to tear down every work and scheme that he has tried to set up against the Kingdom. I boldly proclaim the promises of God found in His word. I dedicate myself to finding those promises and

living in them every day because each and every one of them is for me. Christ put the devil under my feet, and by Christ's power I will keep him there. I accept and walk in the fullness of God that is available to me in Jesus' name!"

### **What's Next?**

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

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### **Genesis 1:26 NKJV**

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.

### **1 Thessalonians 5:23 NKJV**

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **John 4:24 AMPC**

God is a Spirit...

### **Hebrews 1:14 NIV**

Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

### **Proverbs 20:27 KJ21**

The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord,

### **Romans 10:10 KJV**

For with the heart man believeth...

### **Psalms 8:6 NKJV**

You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands;  
You have put all things under his feet,

**Job 19:9 NKJV**

He has stripped me of my glory,  
And taken the crown from my head.

**Luke 4:5-7 NKJV**

Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said to Him, "All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours." Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. 6 And the devil said to Him, "All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. 7 Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours."

**1 Peter 5:8 NKJV**

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

**John 14:30 NJKV**

...for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me.

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**2 Corinthians 4:4 NKJV**

whose minds the god of this age has blinded,

**1 John 5:19 AMPC**

We know [positively] that we are of God, and the whole world [around us] is under the power of the evil one.

**John 12:31 NKJV**

...now the ruler of this world will be cast out.

**Ephesians 2:2 NKJV**

...according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,

**Romans 5:12 NKJV**

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin,

**Hebrews 2:14 NKJV**

...that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

**John 10:10 NKJV**

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.

**Acts 10:38 NKJV**

how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

**Luke 13:10-16 NKJV**

Now He was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, "Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, "There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day."

The Lord then answered him and said, "Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound—think of it—for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?"

**Hebrews 10:9 NKJV**

...He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God."

**Job 9:22-24 NKJV**

It is all one thing; Therefore I say, "He destroys the blameless and the wicked." If the scourge slays suddenly, He laughs at the plight of the innocent. The earth is given into the hand of the wicked. He covers the faces of its judges. If it is not He, who else could it be?

**Ecclesiastes 8:8 ESV**

There is no discharge from war,

**1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV**

Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

**Ephesians 6:11-12 NKJV**

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

**1 Peter 5:8 NKJV**

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**Revelation 12:11 NKJV**

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony,

**2 Timothy 2:26 NKJV**

and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

**1 Peter 5:8-9 NKJV**

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith,

**Philemon 1:6 KJV**

That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus

**Psalms 107:2 NKJV**

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,

**Psalms 91:2 NKJV**

I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."

**Psalms 23:6 NKJV**

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the Lord Forever.

**Job 22:28 NKJV**

You will also declare a thing, And it will be established for you;

**Joel 3:10 NKJV**

Let the weak say, "I am strong."

**Genesis 1:3 NKJV**

Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light.

**Ephesians 6:11 MSG**

So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials.

**Isaiah 54:17 NKJV**

No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue *which* rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their righteousness *is* from Me," Says the Lord.

**2 Corinthians 10:3 NKJV**

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.

**Psalms 23:5 ESV**

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**Matthew 6:10 NKJV**

Your kingdom come.

**Psalms 142:5 NKJV**

I cried out to You, O Lord: I said, "You are my refuge, My portion in the land of the living.