



Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

Title: Your Authority (From Stressed to Blessed pt 2)

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday'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

Take Away | Nailed To The Cross

PRAYER:

"Dear God, thank you for loving me with such depth that you wanted to send your son to die in my place. Thank you Jesus for carrying my shame and sin on the cross and for defeating the enemy. Thank you Holy Spirit for walking with me daily. Lord, I want to look more like you, learn more about you, and lead the people around me well. Amen."

Key Truths

The Authority We Have As Believers Is In Christ.

When God created Adam he gave him dominion in the earth. When the enemy came into the garden, man had the authority to tell him to leave, even though he didn't. This is true in our lives as well, when the enemy enters, we have the power to tell him to leave. When Adam listened to satan, he handed over his dominion to the enemy. This shows us that God did not create the devil, we did. When Adam handed over his authority, the enemy began to operate with man's authority.

Everything that Jesus did here on earth he did as a man. He then tells his disciples that they will do greater things than him. We all have an anointing.

Everything Jesus did on the earth, he did looking forward to what he was going to do on the cross.

When Jesus was crucified, Pilate hung "Jesus, king of the Jews" above his head. At the same time, God hung the 10 commandments on the cross to show that Jesus was taking the penalty for the sin and broken laws. Just like Adam represented us when he sinned, Jesus represented us when he went to the cross.

We can only get saved while we are here on earth, in our physical bodies. When we die, we are either right with God or we aren't. Faith is more than what we know, it's what we do with what we know. If we don't water the truth of God's word, it will never produce in our life. Faith can move through our words or our actions. Just believing isn't enough, we have to confess with our mouth that God is King and Lord.

God has done everything he is going to do about the devil until Jesus comes back, but he has given us the authority to stand up against the enemy. "The last time the devil fled from you was the last time you resisted him".

Practical Application

We can't just sit back and watch what happens when the devil rises up. We have to stand against the enemy. Also, if we don't water the truth of God's word, it will never produce in our life. Faith can move through our words or our actions. Just believing isn't enough, we have to confess with our mouth that God is King and Lord.

Take time right now to confess out loud how worthy God is. Use your voice to tell him how great he is and how thankful you are. Our God is so good!

Key Verses

- Psalms 84:4-7, 115:16
- Genesis 1:26, 2:15
- John 5:26-27
- Hebrews 2:14
- Matthew 28:18-19
- 1 John 3:8, 2:27
- Colossians 2:14-15
- Isaiah 54:17
- 1 Peter 5:8-9
- James 4:7
- Mark 1:27
- Philippians 2:7
- Romans 10:6-8

Declarations (speak these out loud)

"God's word is true and faithful to be trusted. I don't look at it with my own understanding, or try to see life from my own perspective. I lean on God and His truth as my lens for life. His Holy Spirit leads me through it, showing me everything I need. The things He shows me I fiercely guard and meditate on to gain every bit of heart-understanding from it that I can. I value what He says and that is what I walk through life by, above all else."

What's Next?

As a believer, God has given you incredible authority to walk in victory and impact the world for His Kingdom. These 3-step will help you recognize your spiritual authority, stand firm against the enemy, and take bold action through faith. Step into the power and purpose God has for your life!

Recognize Your Authority as a Believer: Understand that God gave mankind dominion over the Earth (Genesis 1:26). Jesus, through his death and resurrection, reclaimed that authority from the devil and empowers believers (Colossians 2:14-15). You have authority over demonic forces and the power to resist the enemy's schemes (1 Peter 5:8, James 4:7).

Stand Up to the Enemy's Lies and Attacks: The devil seeks to accuse, condemn, and steal from you (John 10:10). Don't passively accept negativity; actively resist the devil's voice in your thoughts (James 4:7). Speak the truth of God's word and condemn negative influences in your life (Isaiah 54:17).

Exercise Your Authority Through Faith and Action: Believe in the power and promises of God's word (Romans 10:8-9). Use the name of Jesus and the truths of scripture to overcome challenges (Mark 16:17). Live a life that reflects your faith and actively share the gospel with others (Romans 10:9-10).

You were created to walk in victory and make a difference. As you embrace your authority, resist the enemy's lies, and live out your faith, remember that God is with you every step of the way. Stand strong, stay faithful, and let His power work through you to bring light to the world! Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References Your Authority

Psalms 84:4-7 NKJV

Blessed *are* those who dwell in Your house; They will still be praising You. *Selah*
Blessed *is* the man whose strength *is* in You, Whose heart *is* set on pilgrimage. *As they*
pass through the Valley of Baca, They make it a spring; The rain also covers it with
pools. They go from strength to strength; *Each one* appears before God in Zion.

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."

Psalm 24:1 KJV

The earth is the LORD's, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

Genesis 2:15 AMPC

And the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to tend and guard *and* keep it.

John 5:26-27 NKJV

For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself, and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.

Hebrews 2:14 ESV

...he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,

John 10:1 NKJV

“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door, but climbs up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

Hebrews 2:14 NKJV

Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

Hebrews 2:16 NKJV

For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham.

Ecclesiastes 11:3 NKJV

...And if a tree falls to the south or the north, In the place where the tree falls, there it shall lie.

Luke 10:19 NKJV

Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Matthew 28:18-19 NKJV

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

1 John 3:8 NKJV

...For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

Psalms 115:16 NKJV

The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's; But the earth He has given to the children of men.

Colossians 2:14 NKJV

having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

Deuteronomy 9:10 NKJV

Then the LORD delivered to me two tablets of stone written with the finger of God, and on them *were* all the words which the LORD had spoken to you on the mountain from the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

Colossians 2:14 NKJV

... And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

Revelation 12:10 NKJV

Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

John 19:30 NKJV

...He said, "It is finished!" ...

Colossians 2:14-15 NKJV

... And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

Colossians 2:14 PL. ENG

He destroyed the record of the debts standing against us, and its rules and regulations; He nailed it to the cross, and He put it out of sight.

Colossians 2:15 DEANE

He set Himself and us free from all the spirit powers of evil, on the cross He put them to an open shame and triumphed over them.

2 Corinthians 5:19 NLV

God was in Christ. He was working through Christ to bring the whole world back to Himself.

Colossians 2:15 HAMMOND

By the means also of His death, He hath divested the evil spirits of their power, thrown them out of their temples...

Colossians 2:15 WEYM

And the hostile princes and rulers he shook off from Himself, and boldly displayed them as His conquests, when by the cross He triumphed over them.

Colossians 2:15 CONY

And He disarmed the principalities and the powers (which fought against him), and put them to open shame.

Colossians 2:15 BARCLAY

On the cross, He stripped the demonic powers and authorities of their power, and made a public spectacle of them, as if they had been captives in a victor's triumphal procession.

Luke 10:19 NKJV

...I give you the authority ...over all the power of the enemy...

Isaiah 54:17 NKJV

No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn...

Isaiah 54:17 NKJV

...This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the Lord.

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...

James 4:7 NKJV

Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

Mark 1:27 NKJV

Then they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? What new doctrine is this? For with authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him."

Mark 1:27 NKJV

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Philippians 2:7 AMPC

But stripped Himself [of all privileges and [rightful dignity], so as to assume the guise of a servant (slave), in that He became like men *and* was born a human being.

Mark 6:4 NKJV

But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house."

John 14:12 NKJV

...the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

1 John 2:20 NKJV

But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and you know all things.

Mark 16:17 NKJV

And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues;

1 Corinthians 3:6 NKJV

I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the increase.

Romans 10:8 NKJV

But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith which we preach):

Romans 10:6-8 NKJV

... "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, " 'Who will descend into the abyss?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?...

Romans 10:8 NKJV

But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach):

James 2:19 NKJV

...Even the demons believe—and tremble!

Romans 10:9 NKJV

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.