

## Sermon Notes from Pastor Cornelius Schelling 7-19-09

### The Believers Spiritual Authority

Luke 4:17-19,21. (19) And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, (18) The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, (19) To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.....(21) And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

Luke 5:15 But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him: and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

Mathew 9:26-30 And the fame hereof went abroad into all that land. (27) And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on us. (28) And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. (29) Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. (30) And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See *that* no man know *it*.

Matthew 16:13-19 (13) When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? (14) And they said, Some *say that thou art* John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. (15) He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? (16) And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. (17) And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. (18) And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. (19) And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

The above scripture is talking about spiritual authority for the believer.

Being a believer or being born again does not mean that you are automatically set free by the power of Christ from this world but it does mean you have changed sides from the devil being your master to Jesus being your master.

In verse 13 Jesus asked his disciples who do men say that I the Son of man am?

In verse 14 they gave Jesus the answer to what man said.

Vs 15 He asked them who he was.

Vs 16 Peter said Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Vs 17 Peter got this revelation from his heavenly father and because of that revelation Jesus said to Peter I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. That is the revelation the church needs to have that Jesus is the Son of the living God.

Then in verse 19 Jesus told Peter why hell would not be able to prevail against the revelation of Christ.

Vs 19 I give you the key of the kingdom of Heaven.

Whatsoever things you bind, the binding, the loosing is up to you it is not up to God. It is what ever you bound, whatever you loose.

The word bind means-prohibit, stop, permit or allow.

When a man understands the spiritual authority he has in Christ then the ungodly circumstances that may be around him are subject to him and the ungodly circumstances will conform to the authority he uses.

The authority we use is the name of Jesus and the speaking of his word.

Obedience to the word and the Spirit releases heavenly authority in the earth to produce life.

The world's authority (Satan's kingdom) releases death into the earth.

When you have a spiritual understanding that you have authority over the thief that comes to steal, kill and destroy you have risen above the spiritual understanding of just being a child of God. Once you have spiritual understanding of the authority you have in Christ you will refuse to be bound by circumstances.

The knowledge of this truth will set you in a place of greater faith and if you will act on that revelation you are set free.

John 8:31-32

The Holy Ghost said this to me on Wednesday evening that the reading of God's Word can set you free but just because you read the word doesn't mean you are free.

But when you believe the word you read is truth and you act upon that truth then you are set free.

The truth alone won't set you free. What does this verse say If you continue in my word, then you are my disciples and then you shall know the truth and then the truth shall set you free.

There are a lot of people who love God but are still bound by many things and many are waiting for God to do something when he is waiting for you to do something.

1 Peter 1:2-4 Peter is talking to people who have obtained like precious faith with us so this would include us for if we are in Christ and his righteousness.

How is Grace and Peace multiplied to you through the knowledge of God and of the Jesus our Lord.

Notice verse 3 All things that would mean he can't give any more, right. If you have given all you can you can't give anymore.

Notice that all things are given to us pertaining to life and godliness notice how they come to you only through the knowledge of him.

This also tells us that many know about truth but few have the knowledge of that truth which comes by revelation.

Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.

Pro 2:1 My son, if you receive my words, And treasure my commands within you,

2 So that you incline your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding;

3 Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding,

4 If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hidden treasures;

5 Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, And find the knowledge of God.

6 For the LORD gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding;

7 He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who walk uprightly;

8 He guards the paths of justice, And preserves the way of His saints.

9 Then you will understand righteousness and justice, Equity and every good path.

Matthew 8:5-10 This man was a Gentile he was an outcast and had no legal right or grounds to come to Jesus. This man was not a covenant man yet he understood authority.

Mat 10:5 These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: "Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans.

6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

This man had great faith because he understood authority and this is where we desire to be in our walk of faith.

When you can believe the words Jesus speaks and then act on those words, you will have great faith.

We need to understand we are all growing from faith to faith and as we do, Jesus is the author and finisher of our Faith.

Heb 12:2

Author= Captain, chief leader and finisher= the perfection of our faith.

When we are looking to Jesus, the word he is the author and finisher of our faith.