

Walking In Kingdom Authority

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Intro

This session reframes how we see spiritual authority—not as something reserved for preachers, prophets, or power plays, but as the everyday posture of those who belong to Jesus. Kingdom authority doesn't flow from title, charisma, or striving—it flows from identity. From intimacy. From being seated with Christ and sent by His Spirit. We weren't rescued just to survive. We were commissioned to stand. To speak. To carry His voice into the chaos with clarity, not noise. Authority isn't a badge we flash. It's the fruit of knowing whose we are, and who we're becoming. The world doesn't need more opinions—it needs people who live from a higher place, grounded in love and unshaken by fear.

My Intention and Assumptions

I hope that your relationship with God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit is strengthened through this teaching. My assumption is that you have read or are reading all 66 books of the Bible for context. This is meant to be 'salt' and make you thirsty. You're welcome.

About the Author

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I. Review with Revelation: Where We've Been

Purpose: Reflect on the spiritual foundation laid so far and frame the reason for focusing on Kingdom authority.

Recap:

These past sessions were not simply lessons. They were formation moments—each building a foundation for this truth:

- 1. Citizenship \rightarrow Identity
- 2. Culture \rightarrow Thinking
- 3. **Training** \rightarrow Readiness
- 4. **Spirit-led Response** → Character
- 5. **Presence** \rightarrow Rhythm
- 6. **Representation** \rightarrow Mission

Transition Thought:

"All of this leads to one powerful truth: *Kingdom authority isn't something you earn. It's who you already are.*"

Let this settle:

"You don't just carry revival—you carry authority."

II. Prophetic Declaration: Atmosphere Shift

"You are seated with Christ in heavenly places. Authority is not on the way. It is already yours."

Call & Response Activation:

- Leader: "Authority is not coming..."
- **Group:** "It's already ours."

Purpose: Set the tone. This isn't informational. It's transformational.

III. Teaching: What Is Kingdom Authority?

A. Defining Kingdom Authority

- Not domination, but Christ-aligned influence.
- **Jesus** healed, commanded, and calmed storms—all without striving.

Scripture:

• Matthew 28:18 – "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me."

B. Why You Have It

- You were reborn into sonship, not just saved from sin.
- Galatians 4:6 "Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts."
- Authority flows from **belonging**.

C. Vehicles of Authority

Three primary expressions:

Vehicle Description Activation

Identity You carry the name of Christ Declare: "I am a child of God."

The Word Scripture is your legal decree Say: "It is written..."

The Spirit You are guided and emboldened Listen, obey, speak as led.

Emphasis: When you speak aligned with Heaven, Heaven responds.

IV. Scripture Reflection + Discussion

Matthew 10:1

- "He called them to Himself and gave them authority..."
- **Reflection:** Kingdom authority begins in intimacy.

Luke 10:19

- "I have given you authority... to overcome all the power of the enemy."
- **Prompt:** "Where have you doubted this authority? Where do you need to walk in it this week?"

Partner Prompt:

• In pairs, share one place in your life that needs to be approached with Kingdom authority (e.g., health, relationships, work, decisions).

V. Embodied Activation: Role-Playing Authority

Setup:

Groups of 2–3. Choose a scenario:

- 1. **Workplace:** Pray declaratively over a meeting.
- 2. **Family:** Speak peace into a child's anxiety.
- 3. Finances: Bless a decision or budget.

Execution:

- One acts; others listen and give feedback.
- Rotate roles.

Debrief Questions:

- "How did it feel to declare truth aloud?"
- "What shifted when you stood in authority?"

Purpose: Move from theory to practice.

VI. Commissioning Moment

Spoken Declarations:

(Say slowly, with boldness. Group repeats.)

- 1. "I walk in the authority of Scripture."
- 2. "I depend on the Spirit over striving."
- 3. "I carry Kingdom power wherever I go."

Optional: Laying on Hands

Small groups: "Father, we ask for boldness, clarity, and Kingdom confidence to be imparted."

Atmosphere Shift:

Quiet instrumental, intentional prayer space.

VII. Daily Takeaway & Practice

Challenge:

Speak one Kingdom declaration each morning over an area of your life:

- Mindset
- Relationships
- Finances

Ongoing Engagement:

• Create a message thread or email chain to share testimonies of walking in authority.

Closing Encouragement:

"Authority isn't just a badge to wear; it's a posture to live from. You are already seated... so you can stand."

Visual Flow Summary:

$Belonging \rightarrow Identity \rightarrow Authority \rightarrow Activation \rightarrow Representation$

You belong. You bear His name. You walk in authority. You release Heaven. You represent Him well.

You are sent. You are empowered. You are enough in Him.