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I've met thousands of people who believe God can heal, deliver, and provide—but they're still waiting and praying, and nothing's happening. I guarantee you, nine times out of ten, it's because they don't know about the authority God has already given them.

This is one of the most foundational things I've ever taught. Most Christians today are asking God to do things He has already told *them* to do.

In James 4:7, it says, *"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."* That's not a suggestion. That's a command. And notice it says the devil will flee from *you*—not from God. God and the devil already met—Jesus beat him hands down. The problem is, most Christians don't act like it. They're still begging God to do what He's already equipped them to do.

The Battle Is Real—But You're Equipped

You may not want to think about it, but we are in a spiritual war. And if you don't confront that fact, you're destined to lose. We have an enemy who's out to destroy us, and we have to learn to take our authority.

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

1 Peter 5:8

Satan is a defeated foe, so the only weapon he has left is deception. He comes against us with unbelief, doubt, and lies. And if you yield to any of those things, you're the one shutting off the power of God in your life. That's a strong statement, but the Word backs it up.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.

Ephesians 3:20

Most people quote the first half of that verse and stop. But it doesn't end there. It says His power works *according to* the power that works in us. Not just according to His ability, but according to what's operating in us. That means if you don't have love, faith, or a revelation of your authority working on the inside, then it's wrong to just say, "Well, God can do anything." No—He's tied what He'll do in your life to what *you* believe and the authority *you* take.

A lot of people don't like that because it puts the responsibility on them. It's easier to just say, "Well, God is sovereign, and He's allowing this." But that's not what the Bible teaches. God's not the one causing the problems. We have an enemy, and we've been given the power to stop him. The sad truth is that most believers aren't using it.

Learning from Real-Life Heroes of Faith

I remember reading about John G. Lake, a powerful minister who saw so many people healed in Spokane, Washington, that they actually closed one of the hospitals. But before that, his life was marked by loss. Several family members died young, and at one point, his sister was near death, barely breathing.

When Lake cried out to God in desperation, the Lord basically told him, *I've given you authority—you've got to use it.* When he rose up in faith and rebuked that sickness, his sister recovered. That one revelation changed everything and launched him into a healing ministry.

It's not our power—it's God's. But His power flows through us. And if we're not using our authority, it's not on God. It's on us.

Jesus Empowered You to Win

God created physical laws from the very beginning. Take electricity, for instance—we use it every day for heating, cooling, running lights, and all kinds of things. But did you know that Adam and Eve could have used electricity if they had understood those laws? It's not that God just created electricity a

hundred years ago—it's that we're just now discovering the laws.

In the same way, there are spiritual laws that have been in place from the beginning. And one of those is the authority God gave us over the devil. If Satan is running wild in your life or in your family, it's not because God's letting him—it's because you aren't resisting him.

Now, I'm not saying that to condemn anyone. It's no different than people a thousand years ago not using electricity—they just didn't know it was there. Likewise, there are a lot of sincere believers who love the Lord and are on their way to heaven, but they're still begging Him to do what He told them to do. It's time we learned what the Word says and started using our authority.

Power vs. Authority: What's the Difference?

Luke 9:1 says that Jesus gave His disciples power and authority over demons and to cure diseases. Power is miracle-working ability. Authority is the right to use it. It's like a police officer putting up their hand to stop an eighteen-wheeler—they don't have the strength to stop it, but they have the backing of the law. That's what God gave us. It's His power, but we have the authority to use it.

Jesus didn't say, "Ask Me to heal the sick." He said to heal the sick, raise the dead, and cast out devils (Matt. 10:8). Just like with preaching—God doesn't do it Himself. He sends people. Remember Cornelius in Acts 10? An angel showed up—but he didn't preach to Cornelius. Instead, he told him to send for Peter. Why? Because God gave people—not angels—the authority

to preach the Gospel. And it's the same with healing. If we don't use the authority we've been given, it won't get done.

I believe this is the number-one thing keeping believers from receiving from God. They come to Him like beggars instead of believers.

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ONE MAN'S JOURNEY TO FATHER THE NEXT GENERATION

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Proverbs 3:5–6

What does it take to become the father you never had?

For Michael O'Malley, that question defined his life. Raised in a broken home without a godly role model, Michael struggled to navigate manhood on his own—until he encountered the transforming truth of God's Word at Charis Bible College.

"I didn't have a background to pull from when it came to being a father," Michael shared. "One of the best things about my early days at Charis was learning that I could run to God for those answers."

While at Charis, Michael planted God's Word in his heart day after day. As his understanding grew, he began asking the Lord to teach him how to be a good husband, a good father, and a godly leader (Prov. 3:5–6).

Over the next two decades, Michael walked closely with the Lord, raised a family, and mentored others. Then he saw a new opportunity: to guide young men facing the same struggles he once did. What began as a devotional he wrote—*The Abide Project*—soon grew into something greater: a ninety-day intensive program that trains young men physically, mentally, and spiritually. Drawing from his experience as a pastor, soldier, farmer, and businessman, Michael now provides the kind of hands-on guidance he wished he'd received as a young man.

"I've been a farmer, and one thing I've learned is that every vine needs time and attention to grow straight," Michael explained. "Young men are the same. Most haven't had any formative hands shaping them. It's so much better to build them up early so they can avoid breaking their lives into a million pieces. I want to spare them the heartache and put them in a position to build a legacy."



Michael is now pouring into the next generation what God has instilled in him—raising up men of character, purpose, and legacy (Prov. 22:6).

And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also.

2 Timothy 2:2

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ACTION IS YOUR NEXT STEP!



Could it be that the way you're thinking is limiting what God wants to do in your life? What if being cautious—playing it safe—is quietly blocking the breakthrough you've been praying for?

Many people feel stuck in life, not because they lack potential, but because fear whispers, "What if you fail?" It's the same fear we see in the parable of the talents (Matt. 25:14–30). The man who received one talent buried it in the ground instead of using it. He was paralyzed by fear—too afraid to take a risk.

Billy Epperhart addresses this mindset in his teaching on seven attitudes to building Kingdom wealth. He highlights the bold and slightly humorous phrasing found in *The Message*:

*Take the thousand and **give it to the one who risked the most.** And get rid of this "**play-it-safe**" who won't go out on a limb. Throw him out into utter darkness.*

Matthew 25:28–30, emphasis added

Billy puts it plainly: "You can't let how you think limit what actions you take—or what God wants to do in your life."

The first action he emphasizes is found in Mark 11:24: believe you receive when you pray. Faith isn't just belief—it's action (James 2:26). Billy also offers this insight: **Fifty percent of accomplishing anything is just getting started.**

Too often, we turn what God asks us to do into something that feels overwhelming—like lifting a boulder—when in reality, it may be as simple as picking up a pebble. To put it another way, Billy says, **"You can't change your destination overnight, but you can change your direction overnight."**

That shift—taking one step of obedience at a time—is what leads to lasting transformation. Billy compares it to a trapeze artist: you can't reach the next bar without letting go of the one you're holding.

So, ask the Lord, **"What's my next step?"** Then trust Him and take it in faith. You can expect to grow and be changed in ways you never imagined.

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ONE MAN, ONE WOMAN, ONE COVENANT: GOD'S ORIGINAL PLAN

In today's culture of confusion, one thing remains clear: marriage is not man's idea—it's God's. Before He established the church or created government, God instituted the covenant of marriage between one man and one woman (Gen. 2:24). It is the most fundamental of all human relationships. And when lived out according to God's design, marriage is not only a blessing to the couple—it's a bedrock of society.

Scripture tells us that man and woman were created in God's image, designed to walk together in unity, purpose, and love. From the beginning, God gave them dominion—not over each other, but over the earth (Gen. 1:28). He created them to complement one another, establishing marriage as the foundation of family life. God blessed their union and called them to be fruitful and multiply, setting the family as the primary framework for raising up the next generation. This parental responsibility is repeated throughout the Word, showing that education begins in the home—with both father and mother present and engaged.

Yet today, this biblical design is under increasing attack. On a recent episode of *The Truth & Liberty Show*, I spoke with marriage experts Jerry and Kate Angelo, founders of MarriageMinute.org, about how God's plan for marriage impacts everything—from emotional health and economic stability to the strength of local churches and communities.

As Jerry rightly pointed out, "The first institution God created, in the book of Genesis, was marriage. In the book of Revelation is the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. From Genesis to Revelation, marriage is at the heart of God's redemptive plan." Christian leaders and organizations have noted that when marriages are strong, families tend to thrive, and communities are healthier as a result. Even in the business world, companies that invest in employees' marital wellness have reported a return of \$4–\$7 for every dollar spent.

Despite this, our culture often disregards the covenant nature of marriage. Lifelong commitment has been replaced with convenience. Responsibility

is shrugged off in favor of personal fulfillment. And we're seeing the consequences: poverty, crime, fatherlessness, and the erosion of values.

The answer isn't found in more government programs—it's found in a return to God's original design. As Kate shared, 85 percent of churches spend *nothing* on marriage ministry. That needs to change. The church must rise up, teach the biblical worldview of marriage, and support couples before they reach a crisis point.

We should also advocate for what's known in some states as Covenant Marriage—a legally recognized form of marriage that requires premarital counseling, limits the grounds for divorce, and reinforces the lifelong nature of the marital commitment. More importantly, we must uphold the spiritual reality of marriage as a sacred covenant that mirrors Christ's love and faithfulness to His bride, the church.

Marriage is not outdated. It's divine. And when we align with God's plan, everyone wins.

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A couple of weeks ago, in a moment where I was feeling so much fear, the Holy Spirit reminded me of the verse that says, "*Perfect love casts out fear.*" **These teachings have come at just the right time.**

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This is encouraging. Lately I have chosen to believe God's character based on the Bible and not my earthly father. **The Holy Spirit is changing me.**

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