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Introduction

In this book the author realised that the problematics regarding the power of prayer, in a Christian's life, is not a unique experience, since thousands of believers are struggling daily with similar problems, like a lack of authority. They have the same existential crises when the Holy Spirit convinces and guides them in sanctification of sinfulness.

However, it is not everyone that has the skills to apply God's truth principles in their lives. The Christian who has difficulty in his/her prayer life, need deliverance from the inner conflict driving him/her. In the following chapters, a focussed guideline about the concealed authority will be revealed. The aim of this discussion will enable the believer to achieve the works of a heavenly being.

It will further serve to clarify God's involvement with the human in person. The modern day life, is subject to constant change, and demands high expectations from Christians. Without the concealed authority, the Christian will experience difficulty, if not at all fail, in the application of God's truth principles in their lives.

The primary lesson to be learned is that one's knowledge must be broadened by study and dependence on the insight that God gives regarding the concealed authority.

When we as Christians are praying, it is not only about getting an answer for the problem, but it is also being introduced to a new unknown spiritual life, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Prayer is a melting process in seeking God's Will. Prayer opens up the transcendent realm, which is the avenue for integrating the spiritual dimension and receiving the concealed authority. This adds wholeness to the person who is embedded in a holistic matrix of total existence.

The question about why the concealed authority is necessary, still remains. If Jesus Christ came to earth in order for us to have a spiritual life in abundance, then why are so many Christians, still struggling with their spiritual life?

I do not know of anyone that ever did greater deeds and miracles since Jesus Christ, despite the Bible forecasting it in **John 14:12**: "I tell you for certain that if you have faith in me, you will do the same things that I am doing. **You will do even greater things**, now that I am going back to the Father".

How for example, is it possible that one who serves Jesus Christ as his/her Lord and Saviour, becomes a victim of crime, despite His promises in the Bible such as is written in **Luke 10:19** "I have given you the power to trample on snakes and scorpions and to defeat the power of your enemy Satan. Nothing can harm you"

On the day of Pentecost, more than 70 people prayed together in one room and according to **Acts 2**: "and suddenly there was a noise from Heaven like the sound of a mighty wind! It filled the house where they were meeting. Then they saw what looked like fiery tongues, moving in all directions, and a tongue came and settled on each person there. The Holy Spirit took control of everyone, and they began speaking whatever languages the Spirit let them speak."

In modern day churches, Christians regularly meet in places where the amount of people praying together, exceeds up to 400 people. Why isn't the same happening to them? Are they different? Are they doing it wrong? If the things that happened to the them, would happen to the modern day Christian, nobody in the Christian community, would had a problem with this authority. What happened to this concealed authority?

Ignorance is the cause of many people's despair. In this book the author will attempt to indicate the reason why this concealed authority is not available for every Christian, and what to do about it. There is a growing need for a life in abundance, because the present Christian life does not reflect true victory and it is not at all of any attraction for the non-believers.

The only way to convince people that it is worthwhile to follow Jesus Christ, is to physically demonstrate the concealed authority.

For the purpose of this book, the past belongs to satan. The present belongs to mankind, and the future belongs to God. **The Concealed Authority** is a book that reveals an ancient secret - one that had the human race in despair for more than six thousand years. This book also reflects reality and expensive lessons that had to be learned, before breakthroughs started happening.

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CHAPTER 1

The History of Concealed Authority

When one is exercising the concealed authority, you enter the concealed spiritual world, with a spiritual force which is only workable through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is a tremendous force which will leave the Christian amazed, if it could be seen with the physical eye.

The Christian who wishes to make contact with the unseen spiritual world, will first have to gain knowledge about it, before attempting to make contact. Only the Holy Spirit is allowed to make Christians see deeper into the spiritual realm. Any other medium will bring forth lies, misleading, and demonic possession.

One can experience life in two ways:

- Physically- which can be tasted, felt, seen, heard and smelled.
- Spiritually which can be observed in a limited matter through the spirit.

In order to understand where the concealed authority originated from, we start at the very beginning- God. God is in Heaven, the unseen, He is a Spirit which comprises the total universe. He is where no one can see Him. God can be viewed as a Spirit with an attitude.

This Spirit spoke to man and introduced Himself as the creator of heavens, earth and mankind. The Spirit told man that he has to have the same attitude, he has to think, speak, and do the things He wants mankind to do. Otherwise they will be condemned to hell. Mankind did not succeed, so this Spirit, called God, sent His Son to earth in the flesh to set the example of what He wants from mankind.

He told mankind to believe in this Son, meaning that they should think, speak and act like this Son did. He also inspired some authors to write a Book about all that He wants from mankind. This Book is called the Bible and is supposed to be a type of spiritual instruction manual by which one must live and by which this Spirit introduced Himself as God.

Today people is still not getting it right although they believe in this Son, who is introduced as Jesus Christ. Jesus said that He would made His authority available to his followers, which will enable them to speak, think and do as He did on earth. Therefore, we need to investigate why this concealed authority is still a mystery to many Christians.

I believe that once you **change** the way you think, you automatically **change** the way you speak, which should result in a **believes** and **change** of behaviour, which will result in obtaining that authority.

The hard part about this change, is to **accept a spiritual thinking system**, and letting it dominate the old fleshly way of thinking.

It consist of a new thought pattern, and it does not make sense to the mind at all. The Bible even talks about this issue in **1 Corinthians 1:18**. The message about the cross for example, doesn't make any sense to lots of people. But for those of us who are being saved, it is God's power at work. The manual, called the Bible, confronts mankind with certain laws regarding the way he think, speak and behave. In **Matthew 12:37** it is written: "By thy words shalt thou be justified"

Acquitted or condemned in the Day of Judgment. To justify is the opposite of to condemn. Those who confesses Christ with the mouth according to **Romans 10:9**, shall be saved; those who deny him will be lost. Words have a weighty substantial influence on our eternal destiny.

By thy thoughts thou shall be justified according to **Mark 7:21-23** as it is written: "Out of your heart come evil thoughts, vulgar deeds, stealing, murder, unfaithfulness in marriage, greed, meanness, deceit, indecency, envy, insults, pride, and foolishness." All of these come from your heart, and that is what makes you unfit, to worship God and receive the concealed authority.

The Bible tells us to let Christ be part of our mind. It points To Christ as the example of humility and consecration to The good of others. Christ, being in the form of God.

He refers to the state of our Savior before He took human form. His form was divine. He had a glory with the Father before the world was.

According to **John 1: 1**,and **Hebrews 1:3** God's work through His Angels, is the unseen power that is released when we pray. Jesus said in **Matthew 6:18** "That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father, which is in secret and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly." Thus, that which you pray secretly, will be set free by force into the spiritual world.

God can not be described in any other way, because He created everything and He embraces the concept of power and glory. If we should see Him as He is, we wouldn't be able to absorb Him, because we compare what we see, in our minds, in respect to what we have already seen.

Because God is the Creator of everything, He also does not need to exist out of anything seen or touchable and that is why He does not have any physical nature. God is completely different from humans, although humans have a shade of His image. The reborn child of God, possesses His characteristics. The closest we can get to God, is through prayer.

You will find God no where else than in your heart. "Eholim" (translated as God), is the word which is used where ever the creational power of God is implicated or described. Eholim is the Creator- God. Therefore God is in everything seen and unseen.

The Concealed Authority is to be found in the spiritual realm. It originated from God, the Creator of everything. The emphasis falls on worshipping God. Who ever wants to worship Him, will have the key to the concealed authority. Adam had that authority, in the beginning, when God created him.

Now that we had a overview about who God is, what He expects from us, and what the preceding construct of the concealed authority is, we also need to explore the role of satan is in this whole ordeal.

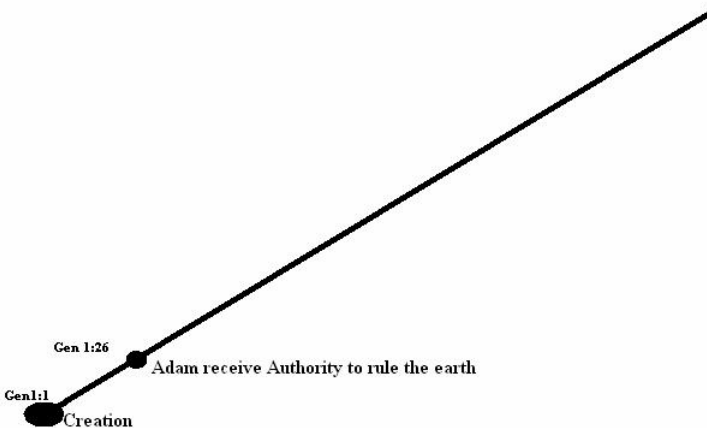
The satanic attacks are aimed at the **thinking pattern of Christians**, in order to prevent the Christian from discovering the concealed authority. Christian Adolescent's especially, is an easy target for the satan as they are spiritual still immature, and he could cause large emotional damage to the spirit of such a person.

The concealed authority however, is not about defence against these attacks; it is rather about changing your way of thinking. It assists a person permanently or temporarily.

The moment that one give in to the spiritual attacks of satan in the mind, your mind set will change again, and you will be spiritually bound to sin.

In the end it is all about continious faith. You can either believe or transfer yourself out of a negative situation, or reject it and keep on being a prisoner of your own thoughts. In order to explain the origin and history of the concealed authority, I will make use of a "history line" as indicated below.

History line of the Concealed Authority



Most people don't want to talk nor hear about satan, but we need to realise that he is just as real as God and His angels. The devil used to lived in the Garden of Eden.

God made the world, the heaven and earth and **all that is within it**, about six thousand years ago. That means He also made, angels, humans, satan, and authority during the creation.

In **Exodus 20:11** it is written: "For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it." According to **Ezekiel 28:13** satan lived in the Garden of Eden, together with Adam and Eve.

Approximately within 100 years after the creation, satan started his rebellion against God. This could be determined from the fact that Adam was already 130 years old when he conceived Seth. It can also be determined by the fact that shortly after the creation, everything was still good.

In **Génesis 1:31** it is written: "And God saw every thing that He had made and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day." At this stage there was no unrighteousness. **Isaiah 14** says that satan was thrown out of heaven, because he turned on God.

Hell was originally created for satan and his fallen angels, not for humans. According to **Ezekiel 28** satan was clothed with wisdom and beauty. But satan wanted to be God, he wanted to be worshipped, so God stripped him from all authority and everything he had. In the meantime, Adam was still in the Garden of Eden, and satan who now had nothing left, approached Adam's wife with a devious plan.

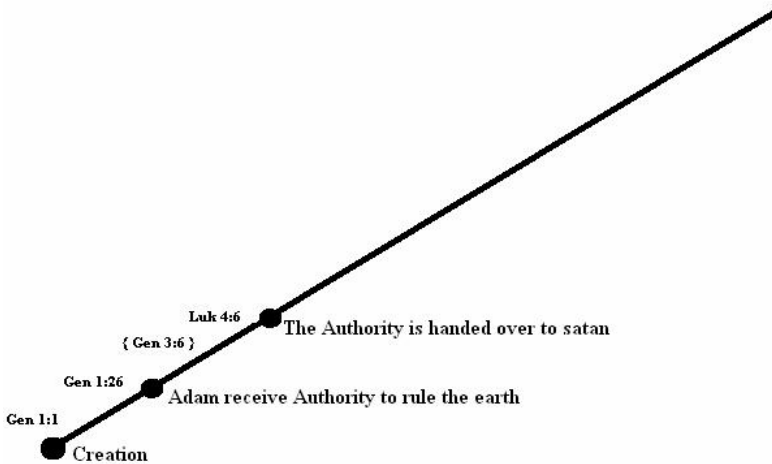
Adam and Eve still had their authority and it was given unto them to rule over God's earth. They knew satan, and they knew that he was a godly being with much wisdom. But what they probably didn't know, is what happened in heaven where satan had been cast out from.

Then the tragedy that dipped the whole world in sin and cursed the earth, occurred. Adam and Eve lost their authority through sin. What was this sin? The devil wanted to be worshipped and he tricked Adam and Eve into doing just that, in return for the promise to be made a god. God strictly forbid them to eat of the fruit of the tree that was in the midst of the garden, but they did. They ate from the fruit that satan carried. Then their authority were taken by satan, as confirmed in **Luke 4:6**

In my book "*Genoeg is Genoeg*" there is a detailed discussion on the theory about the actual sin that was committed by Adam and Eve. According to **Genesis 3:22** God would not tolerate sin in the presence of His holiness, and therefore He banned Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden.

The devil sinned and he was stripped of his authority and glory. Then he was cast from heaven. Adam and Eve sinned and they were stripped from their authority and banned from the garden of Eden.

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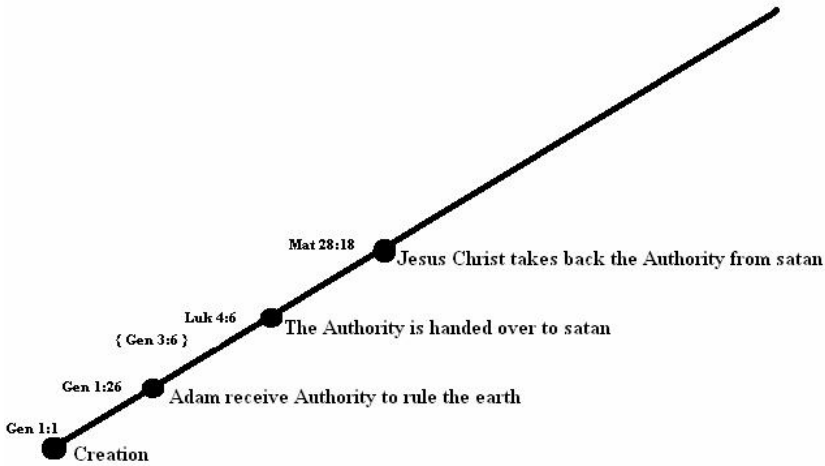


The devil, was now ruler of the earth and mankind just could not succeed in order to regain his authority. However, the infinite love and compassion that God had for His creation, compelled Him to send His Son to be physically born as a human and to regain that authority from satan, according to **John 3:8**

If not for the coming of Jesus Christ, mankind would be condemned to satan's slavery and ruler ship. The devil knew why Jesus was sent to earth and he tried to seduce Jesus with the same trick as he did with Adam and Eve. With Adam and Eve he made a promise in return for being worshipped in **Genesis 3:6**. With Jesus he made a promise in return for being worshipped in **Luke 4:6**.

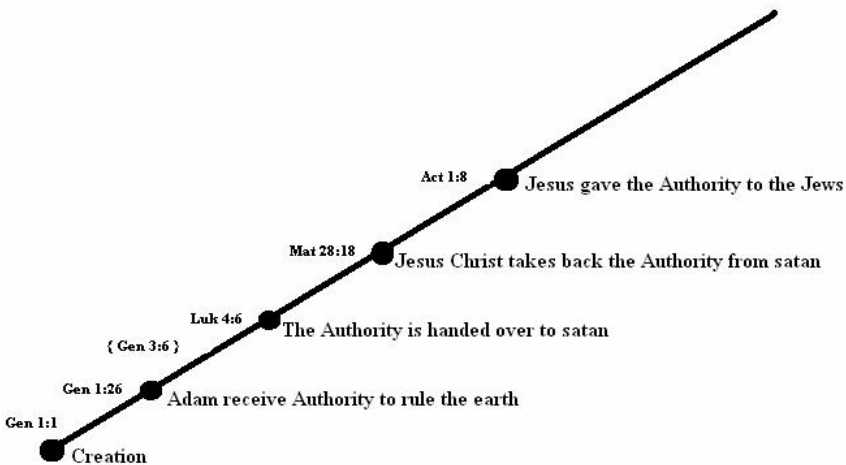
Jesus Christ destroyed the works of satan through His obedience. He activated the righteousness of God and took back the authority from satan. Mankind was set free from satan's works.

Jesus Christ was now the new owner of this authority, as it is written in **Matthew 28:18**: "And Jesus came and spoke unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Then Jesus gave this authority to a few people as is described in **Acts 2**.

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The few people that received the concealed authority were locals, which included the Jews and the Greeks. This happened when they were filled by the Holy Spirit, during Pentacost.

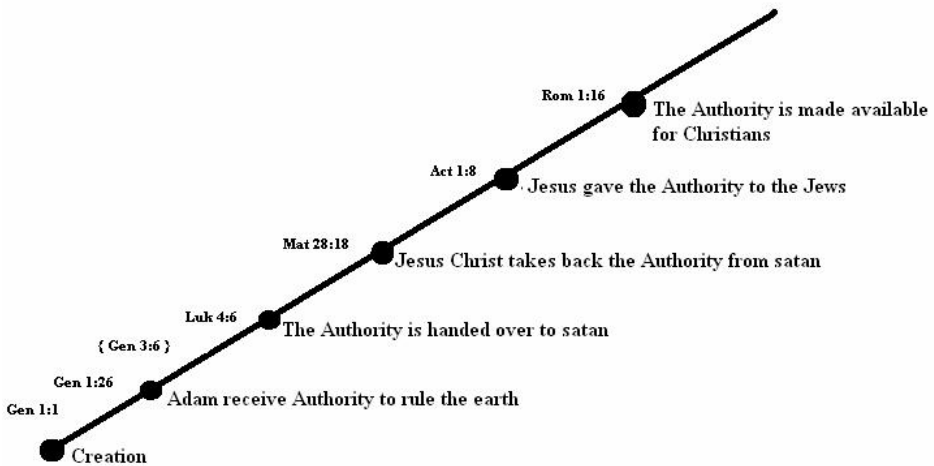
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The Concealed Authority was now only available through Jesus Christ and it could never fall in the hands of satan again. The devil however never changed his strategy. Remember that he is now once again stripped from all power and authority, and boy is he mad! Since the birth of Jesus Christ, he has been working real hard and had put in maximum effort, so as to withhold mankind from discovering that authority,

According to **Romans 1:6** this authority was made available to every-one who believes in Jesus Christ.

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The saying goes: that satan is mighty, but God is Almighty." This is a lie direct from hell, told by satan, in order to receive some recognition. The satan has no might, power or authority. Jesus stripped him and his forces from everything they had.

It is written in **Colossians 2:15** " Having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it." The Greek word used for spoiled is *apekduomai*, which means to divest: - strip, take off from, robbed or seize.

The only thing that Jesus possibly could take from them was their authority and power. The devil's strategy is to create doubt, and mislead the children of God. There is no need for him to do the same with the non-believers, because they are already condemned.

Holy blood is the only thing that can activate God's righteousness and according to **Romans 3:25**, that is exactly what happened when Jesus Christ died as a human on a cross for our sins.

The devil still tries to prevent mankind to be touched and blessed through the blood of Jesus Christ, and he is certainly the biggest enemy of victorious prayer. This means that Christians should know Satan and the way in which he operates, very well.

A good friend of mine once said: "The first thing you learn in the defence forces, is to know your enemy." One should definitely apply this principle in the spiritual world.

In the same way you don't take your weapons as a soldier to protect yourself occasionally, you should also not only protect your faith when you feel like it.

We must protect our faith and thoughts from the works of satan, from his suggestions in our minds, because that is where everything happens - in the mind. That is the only place where satan can still rule, if we allow him to.

We as Christians now have the same authority that Adam had in the beginning. Before Christ, satan would speak and everything he said happened. After Christ, satan could still speak, but he can only make suggestions, if he wants something to happen he has to ask God's permission, because his words neither have **power** nor authority.

Because this authority is delegated and depended on the submission to the one who authorised this authority, God sent His Son Jesus, to redeem mankind from the power of satan's word's and works, and to regain this authority. After His resurrection, Jesus declared that **all authority** in heaven and on earth has been given unto Him, and that only people who is completely in Him, will possess that authority.

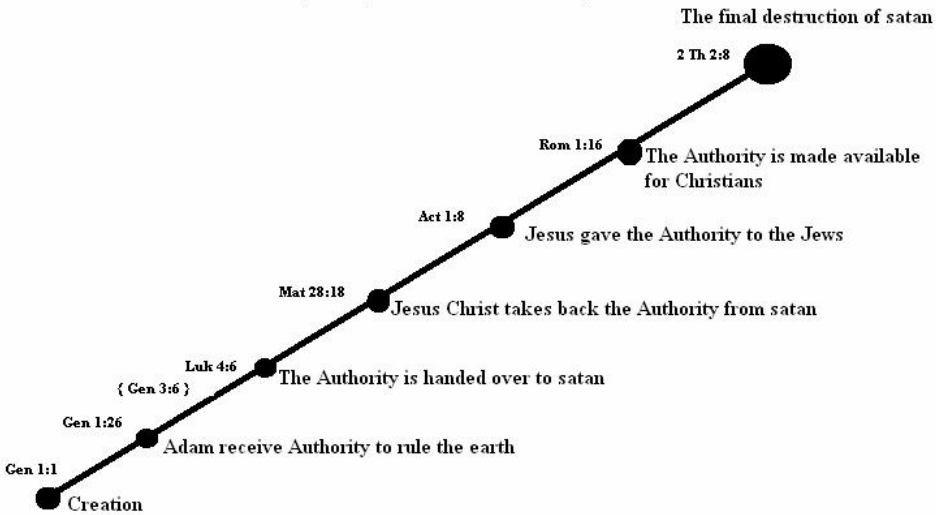
In **Luke 10:19** it is written: "Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy and nothing shall by any means hurt you." This authority is thus only available to believers in Jesus Christ.

In **Eph 1:19-23** it is written: "And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power, and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body the fullness of him that filleth all in all."

When Jesus Christ return, he will destroy satan once and for all and we will receive even more authority than we had during our lives on earth. This time, He will destroy satan with the breath of his mouth! As it is written in **2 Thessalonians 2:8** and then shall that wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming.

Our authority and our calling goes together. The Bible declares in **Ephesians 2:4-6** : "But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love where with he loved us, even when we were dead in sins hath quickened us together with Christ, by (grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus."

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The Apostle Paul also refers to this heavenly places in **Ephesians 1:19,20** and **Ephesians 2:2,6**. But where is this heavenly places? The answer is in **Ephesians 1:21** for it says: "Far above all principality and power and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in the world to come.

In **Matthew 16:19** Jesus gave His disciples the promise of having the key to this authority, and that is precisely where one can find the concealed authority.

In **Hebrews 4:12** it is written: "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." In prayer, we exercise the authority which is given to us by Christ Jesus, in order to bind demonic influences and unbind people under these influences.

We can also utilize the Word of God to bring change, through prayer and faith. Jesus demonstrated what the power and results is of such prayer. With a single word, He had cast out demons, healed the sick, and raised the dead. In **Acts 3:6** the Apostles used their authority to heal a man that didn't ask for healing but for money. God gave him thus what he needed and not what he asked for. What he got, changed his whole life.

Isn't it time for us to stop asking for alms and start trusting God for His concealed authority? Why can't we use this authority to address issues that can change our whole life? God is after all a God who transforms the impossible to the possible.

Many people try to achieve something through their own power, but eventually turns to God, asking Him to do the things they couldn't.

No personal power is needed to deploy the concealed authority in your life. God's power comes upon His children for exactly that reason- when they are exhausted in their own power.

Paul learned this lesson in **2 Corinthians 12:9** when he asked God to remove the thorn out of his flesh and God answered him: "My grace for you is enough" and Paul comes to the following conclusion: " Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

According to the Bible, God wants to reveal the concealed authority to His children. He does that in the time when you least expect it. The Christian must therefore not be ignorant regarding the workings of the Holy spirit and must be therefore be finely tuned in on Him.

In **Isaiah 59:19** it is written: "So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD."

The power of the Holy Spirit and the extent of the devil's works is largely determined by the extent to which the believer allows either the Holy Spirit or Satan in their lives.

In **Ephesians 3:20** it is written that God can only do something for mankind according to the specific power that works within him/her. The way thus in which we are blessed, depends on our submission to the working of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the 3rd person in the Trinity. He is the Spirit of Jesus Christ and He is God in us. Only the Holy Spirit can make rebirth possible, through which the believer's old spirit is replaced with a new one

In **Ezekiel 36:36** it is written: "Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate the LORD have spoken it, and I will do it." Thus, what you think and what you pray is actually two different things. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit one's prayer and authority becomes effective, and that will only happen when you are within the will of God.

Exercising your authority, is the only way in which we can get spiritually fit to rule over the dark forces. The power of the Holy Spirit, will enable such a person to fulfill his/her calling in every aspect of his/her life.

According to **John 14:26**, The Holy Spirit reminds us about our concealed authority and the example that Jesus set. In **John 8:32** it is written that we shall know the truth, and the truth shall set us free. This also implies the truth about the concealed authority.

In **Acts 1:7,8** Jesus promised the concealed authority to the Jews. In **Acts 1:13,14** this Jews and some other people were together in a room where they prayed. Everyone present, were then filled with the Holy Spirit, to such an extent that Peter healed a cripple man without laying hands on him, without praying for him, without anointing him with oil. No, he only spoke a few words and a miracle happened. **Now that is the Concealed Authority I'm talking about.**

CHAPTER 2

How can one obtain this Authority?

Obtaining this concealed authority is probably one of the most difficult things to achieve, because satan wants to ensure that very few people gets to discover this secret. On the road of life, he will do everything he can to avoid Christians from receiving this authority.

In **Matthew 11:27** Jesus declared that He will give this authority only to whom He wants to give it to, as it is written: All things are delivered unto me of my Father, and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.

Furthermore, derived from the under mentioned extracts of the Bible, one can assume that there are 2 different groups in the Christian community, those that will receive this authority, and those who will stay in a stage of being taught by parables. **Matthew 13:11,12** says the following: "He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the **mysteries of the kingdom** of heaven, but **to them it is not given**. For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath."

According to **Matthew 5:10** it is those people that had been prosecuted for their faith, who has earned this authority. Here I'm not talking about one's ego that has been hurt because he/she is a Christian. I'm talking about real prosecution by hatred for disciples of Jesus Christ. In South Africa, we don't know what prosecution and hatred is, because we have never experienced it.

Then again if you read **Matthew 19:12**, one realizes that it is apparently far more difficult for married people to acquire this authority, than for bachelors. The reason for this is most probably because, married people's attention is divided between God and their family, and they couldn't spend as much time as singles, in seeking for that authority.

After the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, the Bible never talks about the Kingdom (authority) of heaven again, why? In **Matthew 4:17** Jesus started preaching by telling the people to repent because the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. This means the rulership and authority of heaven, has come to the people. The Kingdom of Heaven is another name for the concealed authority.

Jesus was thus, actually talking about Himself. So during His ministry, the concealed authority was still among the people, and after His ministry, Jesus was taken up to heaven and His authority were taken with Him. So what happened to this concealed authority?

Was it really only the privilege of a selected group of Jews to receive this authority during Pentecost? And would that be the reason why there was no greater deeds done by man, than since Jesus Christ walked the face of the earth ? Is this authority only meant for specific chosen people? These questions will be addressed and discussed during the course of this chapter.

They say that the riches of the world belongs to only 2% of the world's population. In other words only 2% people on earth are really, really wealthy. It appears to be more or less the same with gift of the concealed authority. It is given only to those whose names had been written in the Book of Life, long before the creation of earth.

Ephesians 1:4 - "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love"

Now, there is a certain procedure that has to be followed which can be compared to the growing of a fruit tree. In order for the fruit tree to grow, you will need -seed, soil, sun, water and **patience**. As the tree grows it will face winds, very hot sun, and sometimes storms. Only when this tree survived through all this, it starts to bloom and produce fruits.

Obtaining the concealed authority works in a similar way. First you need the seed of the Gospel to grow in the soil of your heart.

Then you need the warmth of Jesus' love and the water (baptizing) of the Holy Spirit. Thereafter you need to get through the storms of difficulties, blazing attacks from satan, and the windy conditions that occurs in your spiritual life. Patience is the key word here especially in waiting for prayers to be answered.

After that you will start blooming and carry the fruit of the Holy Spirit, namely: Love, Joy, Peace, Faith, Longsuffering, Gentleness, Goodness. Please take note that the Bible talks about the fruit and **not** the *fruits*, I believe, that the reason for this, is that you cannot carry or fail to carry the one, without affecting them all.

The construction of the fruit of the Holy Spirit can be compared to a lemon. A lemon is one fruit, and although it exists out of different sections, it still stays one fruit. If u only eat one section, the other sections would be affected and the fruit would be incomplete. In the same way one's spiritual life, would be incomplete if one of the sections are missing in our lives.

Many people like myself, struggled for many years just to manage surviving the satanic attacks, but there was no blooming, no fruit. You can't get any further, if you work on the one issue that bothers you, then another one pops up.

For example, you know one section of the fruit of the Holy spirit is faith and you are working on it, then lack of joy pops up and ruin all your efforts to live a holy fruitfull life. Have you ever been there? It is very frustrating and leads to a feeling of incompleteness and you feel like you will never be able get to that concealed authority.

I believe it is for that reason that the Bible says in **Mat 7:14** "Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

Therefore it is also true that not every Christian receives this authority, because not all Christians take up their rightful positions in Christ Jesus, however this does not mean that the authority is not available for all of God's children. In other words, if you call yourself a Christian, but you are not reborn, then you will not receive this authority.

You see the authority is always there, but it is available only **after** rebirth. In **Joh 3:3** it is written: " Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Once you are reborn, then only you will receive the key to the concealed authority, and not yet the authority itself. You still have to comply with the demands of a Holy way of living, and then only you will receive your authority according to the extent in which you allow the Holy Spirit to work in your life.

In **Ephesians 3:20** it is written: " 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,"

It is for that reason that the scriptures tells us to seek the kingdom with all of our hearts, you must really be into seeking for this authority, no matter what the cost as it is written in: **Matthew 22:37** "Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind."

In the parable about the rich man who sold everything, is a good example of the devotion in seeking this concealed authority. In **Matthew 13:45,46** it is told: "Again the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls. Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it."

In this process of seeking that authority you will automatically have to deny yourself, you will loose everything. In **Matthew 16:24** it is written: "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

Everything **will** have to change; your way of thinking, your way of speech, your way of doing things, all will be replaced by your quest to seek and find this authority, and by the time you realise that, you will also discover that Jesus Christ is now living inside you as a real person, because He IS that authority, and it won't bother you.

You will be satisfied with it. Your previous and set ways, will belong to the past- without regret! This also means that you will read the Bible in a different way .You will start reading your Bible verse by verse, analysing each word with the help of a dictionary.

Putting the word "authority" in brackets next to the word "Kingdom" will be a good idea, for no rulership can exist without the authority. By making use of the King James Version Bible and Strong's Dictionary, you will see the Word of God in a different light. In my view this Bible is a trustworthy source of research.

In **Acts 17:11** we see that those Jews did not just accept **any** translation of the scriptures that was presented unto them, without investigating the trustworthyness thereof. We should therefore surely do the same. Do we merely accept the present translations that is presented to us "because it was translated by experts" or "clever people"?

What made us think that satan wouldn't dare to interfere in the modern translations? If there is only one single mistake found in the translation, then the whole translation is discredited. The time has come for us to wake up and do real study of the Bible, to investigate, to seek and to find the truth, to question and reveal, to identify the lie of satan, and to present the truth to the world. We should get people to think about God's Word and what it is really saying.

Once all your ways are changed, **Galatians 2:20** will become a reality in your life, and you will also say: " I am crucified with Christ nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

You see, Christianity is not a religion; it's a way of living. Reading the Word of God is not a spiritual ritual, it is a intense research and quest in seeking the truth principalities of Jesus Christ, who is not only about who you have to believe in, you have to live Him as well, in order to be victorious.

The satan doesn't want this, he uses his forces and our circumstances to influence us negatively. The devil is patient. Just like God, he also has a plan for your life, a very devious and dangerous one, and he starts at the beginning of your birth, to try and make your life as miserable as he possibly could.

Why, because every human being is a potential threat to him. Every child of God is his worst nightmare. We as children of God, is prophets who had the potential to destroy the works of satan. In **Jeremiah 1:5** it is written: "Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

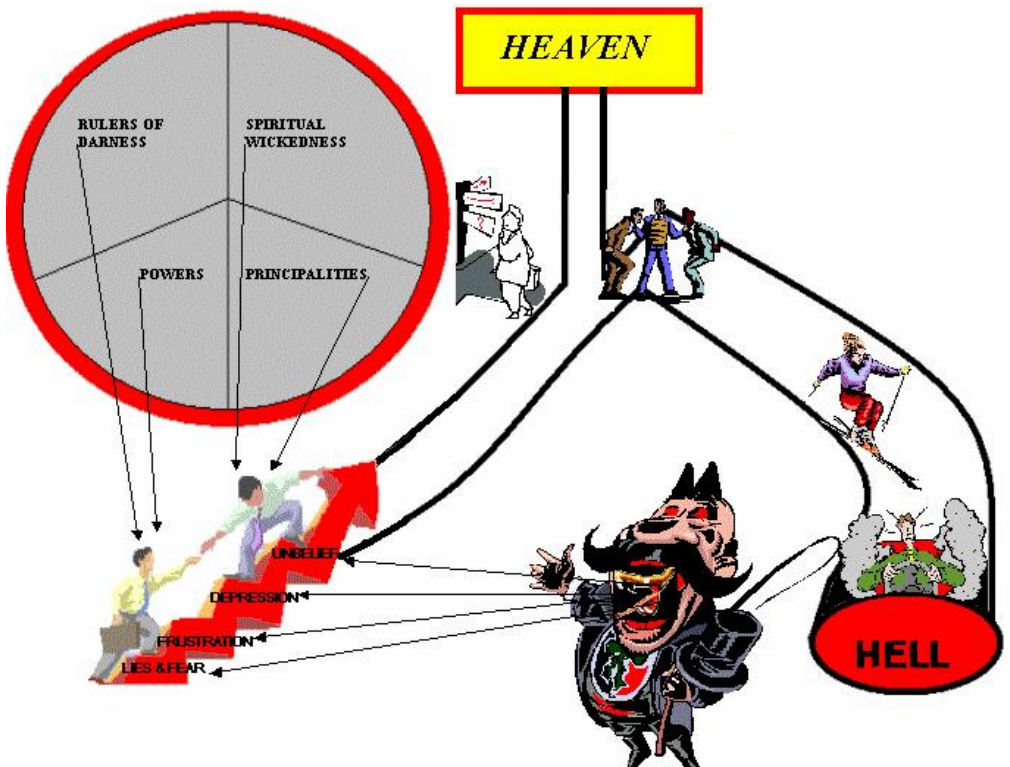
What does this mean? It means that the person who is entitled to the concealed authority, has to act as a prophet to the nations. Which nations? The nations around you, in your area, where you stay, work, church and shop till you drop.

Is this verse in the Bible really applicable to us? Well of course it is. If you make one verse of the Bible applicable to yourself, you should make all verses applicable to you. If you disregard one verse as meant for others, then so should you do with the rest of the Bible.

You can't be in the middle, either you are for the Word of God or against it. Elijah talked about this in **1 Kings 18:21** "And Elijah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two opinions"?

We have to obey all of God's commands in His Word, and not only those which suits our religion or convictions. In **Deuteronomy 4:2** it is written: "Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish aught from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you."

As your journey through life continue, and while you obey these commands, you will face many obstacles that is put there by satan, to prevent you from obtaining the concealed authority.



As can be seen on the "road of life" picture, there are many obstacles in the Christian's life, which wants to prevent him/her from obtaining the concealed authority.

Jesus declared that in the spiritual world, there is a ongoing war in the continuous fight for authority, as it is written in **Matthew 11:12** "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."

The value of this concealed authority can not be described rightfully in words. We only know that the absence of the concealed authority is the main cause of every war, every sickness, destruction, death, poverty and unhappiness since the beginning of the creation. People performed weird and cruel acts to one another, in their quest to obtain this authority.

The Jews knew the value of this authority, they were prepared to take on the whole world, in order to defend and repossess it, because it would enable them to rule the world. The fact of the matter is, the one who possesses that authority, is the one who rules in his/her spiritual life, - the one who is pulling the strings and making things happen.

In **Acts 1:6** they asked Jesus if this authority is now available for Israel, as it is written: "When they therefore Were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the Kingdom to Israel?"

The Jews were still under the impression that they alone are going to rule the earth, and that their kingdom would physically be restored and separated from the Government, of Rome, so that they can rule in their own land and from there take over ruler ship of the whole world.

They didn't understand that God wanted to include the all His children as well. They were later informed by the Holy Spirit that God wanted a global kingdom in which all of His children rules as it is written in: **Romans 16:25,26** "Now to him that is of power to establish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, but now is made manifest, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known **to all nations** for the obedience of faith"

I'm not talking about man made power, I'm talking about the authority God gave His children to rule the earth. It is the same authority that brings change in the spiritual realm as for nothing on earth will happen if it did not already happen in the spiritual realm.

In **Matthew 16:19** it is written: "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."

In order to bind or to loose, whether it is money, healing, circumstances, or whatsoever, you will have to be in possession of the concealed authority, for no spirit will obey you, if you don't have the authority to give commands. Jesus promised us the key to this authority.

Imagine the change that would be brought to this world if God's children takes up their authority! It will result in a revolution, a new Christian world order! The children of God would change this world into a paradise!

Do you think that the rulers of this world and satan will allow this? Certainly not, that is why Christians with this authority is being prosecuted for their faith, they are actually being prosecuted because, the world does not want the rulership of Jesus Christ to be establish in this world.

Soon in the very near future we as Christians will be branded as terrorists, a threat to global peace and stability. Why? Because the Gospel of the kingdom of God (The Concealed Authority) is going to be preached and practised throughout the globe with amazing and powerful results, and it is going to cause a worldwide revival such as there was never before.

That is also why Jesus declared **John 15:18** "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you." The Bible says we must not be surprised if the world starts hating us as it is written in **1 John 3:13** "Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you."

The Bible, is the book that I view as the source of truth. In this book, Jesus made certain statements, which could have enriched consequences, if it is applied in daily life. It will also result in definite commotion in the spiritual world.

In **2 Corinthians 2:11** it is written that the Christian is not unfamiliar with the works and plans of satan and can therefore no longer be deceived by him.

However, he still succeeds in withhold knowledge from us as it is written in **Colossians 2:2** "That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

It is thus possible for the Christian to come to the knowledge of God and the spiritual world, as well as knowledge about satan, because God is a spirit. In **John 4:24** it is written that God is a spirit, and those who worship God, must worship Him in spirit and in truth. According to **1 Corinthians 4:9** the spiritual world and the physical world are an integral part of each other.

Why is knowledge about the devil and spiritual world nessecary? Well, you can't address something in authority, that you don't know. You can't defend, if you don't know what to defend from whom, and you can't act responsibly if you don't know the ways of the spiritual world.

The occupants of the spiritual world can see into the physical world, and people can sometimes see into the spiritual world, like Elisha. In **2 Kings 6:16** it is written: "And he answered, Fear not for they that be with us are more than they that be with them, and Elisha prayed and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and behold, the mountain *was* full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha."

It is thus a fact that we are functioning unknowingly in a negative framework of satanic attacks, which is aimed to create lies, fear and deception, and which will make it very, very hard to take possession of the concealed authority. It is also a fact that there is another dimension among us, in which the spiritual beings are observing us.

These satanic attacks starts very early in one's life, and it has a negative influence on our spirit. Because of the fact that these attacks have been a part of our lives since birth, we have gotten used to it, and by the time you are an adult, negative thoughts become more bearable.

You start to like the negative thoughts and use it to create pity on yourself. Self-pity makes you feel comfortable in situations that you do not have a answer for, or feel out of control of.

The statements in the New Testament that Jesus Christ made, implies that the Christian can exercise his/her concealed authority over the dark forces, who wants to have control over your life, and through which the course of your life can be changed, because nothing on earth happens if it did not already happen in the spiritual world.

In **Revelations 13:8** it is written that the believer's name is written in the Book of Life, long before the earth was formed. God knew from the beginning, although His salvation is there for al of mankind, which people will believe in His Son Jesus Christ and who not.

This also implies that our whole life from birth to death is already known to God and therefore nothing can happen to you, which God didn't already made provision for. What an awesome God! He knows already what we are still going to say and do in the future!

In **Ecclesiastes 3:11,15** it is written : "Hath made every thing beautiful in his time also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end. I know that there is no good in them, but for a man to rejoice, and to do good in his life...That which hath been is now and that which is to be hath already been and God requireth that which is past."

There is thus no reason for us to doubt the words of Jesus Christ when He said that we can share in His authority.

Because God is a Spirit, the things He says, speaks about action manifesting in the spiritual, as well as the physical world. These words however must not be judged physically, otherwise the result thereof will not be understood.

1 Corinthians 2:14 says this: "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God for they are foolishness unto him neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

It is thus of great importance that one should live a Spiritual life instead of a fleshly driven life. In practice it means that you should only focus on spiritual thoughts, the way you speak, the way you behave. It means that unsaved people, will find it hard to understand the reason beyond your decisions and behaviour.

Some will make you out for a freak. Some will not know where you come from and where you are going.

In **Joh 3:8**, the Bible says about such a person this: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

When you are born of the Spirit, you will for example experience a thought of not going to a specific place or take a certain action. This is the Holy Spirit warning and guiding you, it is **not** your own thoughts.

The thoughts which is converted to words which you speak, will happen, for it is an unchangeable spiritual law. In **Proverbs 18:21** it is written: "Death and life are in the power of the tongue and they that love it, shall eat the fruit thereof."

When you speak, think and act the same way Jesus did, you should get the same results as he did. But does it really work? Why are there so many Christians who can't get to such level of experiencing victorious living?

I believe the answer is the most properly to be found in our households. If you are a born again Christian and you do not have a life in abundance, then the problem might be in your household.

Except for your faith and personal shortcomings, which Jesus already knows about, you should take a look around in your house to see if there is something that bothers God. You see, God visits His children's houses to see where He can bless them, and if there is something in your house that is not supposed to be there, then He can't bless you.

It may be pictures, idols of other cultures, occult related things, charms, a santa clause, and stuff that occurs innocent or harmless to you, but which is actually an abomination to God. I'm not going into the detail of all that. If you are interested about knowing more about the things in your house that prevents God from blessing you, the you can order the DVD "Clean your house"

You can order it from **Tiaan Gildenhuys @ celnr 082 8033326** The Holy Spirit will convince you of something that is not supposed to be in your house.

In **John 3:8** it is written: " The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth so is every one that is born of the Spirit." The nature of such a person's behaviour, cannot be determined because he/she moves in God's will.

Such a person will not have any interest in earthly things like, movies, television, parties, where unrighteousness is promoted, for it is written in **1John 2:29** "If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him."

A person who has the concealed authority, will be a person that is filled by the Holy Spirit, and who has certain qualities. If you can recognise these qualities in your life, then you already have the concealed authority and you should start to exercise your authority.

The qualities I'm referring to the following:

1. Joy.

In **Acts 13:52** it is written: And the disciples were filled With joy, and with the Holy Ghost. This is a joy that came from God.

2. Truth

The Holy Spirit leads us in the truth according to **John 16:13** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth for he shall not speak of himself but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak and he will show you things to come. It is thus the duty and responsibility of the Holy Spirit, and we must allow Him to do this work within us.

3. Wisdom

According to **1 Corinthians 2:13**, the Holy spirit gives us wisdom, as it is written: "Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth comparing spiritual things with spiritual." Without this wisdom, we will never be able to understand our own spiritual need completely

4. Prayer

The Holy Spirit does not only teach us how and what to pray, but also is He praying in us unto the Father, for it is written in **Matthew 10:20**: "For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you."

In **Romans 8:26** it is written that the Holy Spirit makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

5. The Holy Spirit

- In **Matthew 12:28** the Spirit drove out demons with a word.
- In **Luke 12:12** the Spirit teaches us what word to speak.
- In **Romans 8:2** the Spirit puts power into our faith.
- In **1Corinthians 12** the Spirit equips us with different gifts.
- In **Galasians 3:5** the Spirit gives power to our prayers.
- In **Galasians 5:22** the Spirit fills us with His fruit.
- In **John 14:16** the Spirit is a comforter.
- In **John 16:8,9** the Spirit convinces us about sin, righteousness and judgement.

It is after this very same Spirit, that we should strive for in our quest of seeking the concealed authority. The Holy Spirit as been introduced to us by the Bible.

Only then, once you are filled with Him, you will obtain the concealed authority.

When the Holy spirit is praying with you, a conversation with God develops in which the person is saying or asking something, and to do it in the name of Jesus Christ, guarantee an answer, for it is written in **John 14:14** "If you ask anything in My Name, I will do it."

God must be worshiped in Spirit and in truth, which means that we shall become quiet and listen to what the Spirit is busy saying in our hearts. How should one recognize this occurrence? By the voice of the Holy Spirit, which is that continuous soft whisper and conviction to pray about something.

The devil will certainly try to convince you that, it is not the Holy Spirit that spoke to you, or who is at work, and he will do this through creating doubt in your mind or leading you to ignore this amazing whisper of love and wisdom from God.

To recognise the voice of the Holy Spirit, is to take note of that conviction in your heart. The Holy Spirit is the basis for getting to the concealed authority. This authority was demonstrated by Jesus Christ, as He was filled by the Spirit of God. Every time He spoke, things happened, and people were astonished!

As the Spirit is grows inside you, sin and selfcenterdness will have less effect on you. In **1 John 4:4** it is written: "ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

In **Mark 9:25** Jesus drove out a dumb and deaf spirit by speaking a few words. Do you see what happened there? A deaf spirit? Jesus speaking to a deaf spirit, it hears, listens and obey! The words of Jesus was that powerful! God gave Jesus that authority and Jesus gave it to us!

According to **Romans 10:8** it says the following: But what saith it? **The word** is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart that is, the word of faith, which we preach.

So what was this word? The answer we find in **John 1:1** where it is written: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." Don't worry, this is not circular reasoning, it only means that the child of God has proof, that he/she received the authority to speak certain things and what they speak shall happen, because it would be as if it is God Himself that speaks.

This is a spiritual law that cannot be broken for it is written in **Isaiah 55:11** "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

The Spirit of God only acts when God speaks. In **Genesis 1:1** it is written that God's Spirit relaxed upon the face of the waters. Only after God said "Let there be light!" the Spirit went to action and there was light.

The Spirit of God, will not react if God does not speak a word. God in the Christian, speaks through the Christian, activating His Spirit, doing His Will. All we have to do is to make our tongues and will available for God, to work within us.

We are reminded in **2 Corinthians 7:1** to live a Holy life, in which the Holy Spirit will always feel welcome, because according to **Hebrews 12:14**, nobody shall see the Lord without living a holy life. Now, in **John 15:3** it is written that we are already holy through the words that has been spoken to us, and in verse 7 it speaks about staying in these words, and receiving whatever we ask for.

So if God, who created the whole universe with a word, speaks **through us** to create wealth and prosperity, do you think it will happen?

Remember: IF God speaks, things WILL happen. That is a fact, and cannot be doubt or be reason with. My question however is, **how often** does God speak into one's life? If God speaks on a daily basis, there shouldn't be sickness and poverty among the Christians and in my life!

Throughout the Bible it is clear that the emphasis is laid on the reborn spirit, upon which the concealed authority is placed. A person with a worldly thinking pattern cannot live a spiritual life. The promises and blessings of God is thus only applicable to Christians who live a spiritual life

In the following chapter we will embark on a journey to explore and identify the things that prevent us from living a spiritual life, and how to overcome them. The Bible says in **Luke 11:34**: "The light of the body is the eye therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness."

What is the meaning of the verse? In the first place your attitude must be that of Christ and noticeable in your life. In **Matthew 26:41** Jesus said: "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

From this verse, we can determine that the flesh is actually an enemy of the spirit, because the flesh doesn't want to give his/her co-operation to the purpose of the spirit. This situation results in a Christian that wants to do things according to the spirit, but who is also still listening to the voice of the flesh.

On the other hand such a person can't do anything he/she wants to because the Spirit of God, is keeping them from doing it. In **Galasians 5:17** Paul said: "The flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh and these are contrary the one to the other so that ye cannot do the things that ye would."

The reborn spirit must be fed with the Word of God, in order for it to carry the fruit of the Holy Spirit. In order to obtain the concealed authority, you have to be spiritually mature. That is why God does not give such a great authority to any Christian.

After all, a father for example, doesn't give his 3year old boy a car to drive, because the boy is not yet mature enough to drive a car. Many Christians never reach this stage of spiritual maturity and become happy to stay as they are, blaming the cause of their negative situation on God, satan, other people, and circumstances, but the truth of the matter, is that they are not ready to receive the concealed authority to the full extent, because they would rather blame something or some-one else, than identify the problem within themselves and correcting it.

Every person can choose what the extent of his/her concealed authority must be. In **Ephesians 3:20** it is written: " 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**"

The extent of either God's power or the works of satan within you, is revealed in your convictions. The Holy Spirit convinces us about our value before God, while satan convinces us that we have no value.

The satan wants to convince us, that God does not want to have anything to do with us, or that He is punishing us, or that He is mad at us, or that He has a purpose with bad things happening to us. This is a lie from hell. **God's only purpose for us is to have a life in abundance.** Hallelujah!

Don't be fooled by statements which is set to discredit God. The world is overflowing with all sorts of misperceptions about God and His intention with His children.

God is not a killer, or a liar, nor a thief or a deceiver. That is what satan wants His children to think. A lot of people believe it in such a great extent, that they make this lie applicable in their daily lives. One example of this kind of lie, can be identified in the misperception about the celebrating of Christmas.

No where in the Bible, Jesus never gave the command to celebrate His birthday. Instead He commanded us to celebrate His death and resurrection! Why then are we doing it? Why do we incorporate an idol feast into our religion?

The Bible also clearly states that satan is a murderer of mankind since the beginning. Why do we then believe and accept it, when somebody tells us at a funeral that God "has taken our loved one away to be with Him" This is utterly nonsense!!

God does not kill people! He wants to extend life not shorten it. Please read the Word of God carefully.

It is written in **Exodus 20:12,13** "Honor thy father and thy mother: **that thy days may be long** upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. **Thou shalt not kill**"

It is satan who kills humans, for it is written in **John 8:44** "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

There is a detailed lecture in dvd-form available, if you wish to gain more knowledge about the different kind of lies satan created and which became part of our culture and religion. The dvd is presented by Tiaan Gildenhuys. You can contact him on the number already given or you can email me at plerouseducation@absamail.co.za, if you wish to place an order for the dvd.

Once the lie is identified and removed out of your life, you will have less obstacle's that causes a powerless authority.

CHAPTER 3

The cause of powerless authority

In retrospect: "All reborn Christians already possesses the concealed authority." However, the responsibility is solely placed on our shoulders, to either develop it, or let it go to waste. Use it or loose it. The choice is yours.

Temptation is actually spiritual moral seduction, which grabs the flesh of man, and we need to pray daily for Godly guidance to keep us from that. When you pray "and lead me not into temptation", you are actually asking God to protect you, and help you to resist it when the temptations come. That you will be able to recognise them as they occurred.

The temptation is not at all only moral or sexual seduction. This includes the temptation of disregarding the sections of the fruit of the spirit. Jesus prayed for His disciples to be protected from evil in **John 17:15**. When you are not carrying the fruit of the spirit, you carry the fruit of evil. It is either the one or the other.

1 Corinthians 10:12 it is written: "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall." There is thus no person that must think that he/she can stand against temptations in his/her own power.

When you open your spirit for things like negativity, disheartened, depression or any other thought that is not from God, you are actually opening your spirit and soul towards evil and could easily will get demonically oppressed. Yes, it is true, children of God **can** get oppressed but not possessed.

In **Ephesians 4:27** God commands us: "Neither give place to the devil." The devil is known for his attacks in the minds and thoughts of God's children. Such a Christian is normally caught up in prayerlessness, spiritual blindness, intense lust, an attitude of violence or irritation, and an attitude of unforgiveness.

Some has an overactive imagination and broken contact with reality then occurs. This will lead to a situation for instance where such a person, start to mix issues of satanic origin with the truth principles of God. Normally it occurs at daydreaming. It could be daydreaming about power, money or lust for the opposite sex. It will also lead to unbelief and endless reasoning about your situation.

To demonstrate to you the cause of powerless authority, I will make use of my testimony about my youngest daughter. I myself had very much difficulty to accept all that I just mentioned, because I tried to put it to practise, and nothing happened. Let me provide you with a short summary of my circumstances. My youngest daughter was born with a heart defect.

Nothing could be done for her and she had to be operated to get the heart working properly again. She was five months old. This entailed a open heart operation, that would last for approximately six to eight hours, and there was the infinite possibility for all sorts of complications presenting itself. In my view anything could happen.

So in preparation of the operation and for a period of five months , she had been prayed for by various people, pastors, family and friends. Every time we took her to the doctor after that, the sonar showed that nothing changed.

The doctors told us that the heart would not heal by itself. I took her to the top heart specialists in South Africa, for second opinions, but the answer was always the same, she had to be operated.

I broke spells, bloodline spells, soul ties, cast out the devil and his demons, I spoke healing over and into her body on a regular basis, I anointed her with oil, and cleaned my house and nothing happened! Three days before the operation I was getting really frustrated, **depressed**, tired and **disheartened** because I had no idea what to do any further.

The tension in my household was building up, as the time for the operation came closer and closer. All sorts of things went wrong in our household, our vehicles broke down, staff did not pitch up for work, things started breaking, our finances started to shrink, I couldn't get a better job and it was as if everything just started to fall apart.

During these five months I also started writing this book, and by our testimony, many people changed, some were saved, and some got delivered from satan's deceptions and lies. I comforted myself with the thought, that satan is probably mad at me and taking revenge now.

But where was God in all this? I could not understand why my daughter wouldn't heal. I have done so to speak everything in and according to the book, that I possibly could and still there was no change.

My faith started crumbling. The stuff happening to us, the sickness and poverty, was it all part of "God's plan for our lives"? I refused to believe it, for the Bible says in **1 Peter 2:24** that the wounds of Jesus Christ brought us healing and according to **Psalm 37** it is written that we will never have a shortage of anything.

Was it a test?, I don't see it that way, because at the time and in that specific circumstances I did not experience it accordingly. I was directly involved and it was anyway a, situation way beyond my strength and capability.

The Bible clearly states in **1Colossians 10:13** "here hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man but God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it."

Furthermore the Bible says is **Jeremaih 29:11** "I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, **and not of evil**, to give you an expected end."

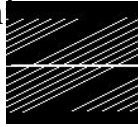
Was it the works of satan? Probably, but if so why was it not broken, why was the sickness and poverty still part of my household? There was no outcome in this situation, and I started to doubt prayer healings.

Things did not go **the way I planned** and prayed and I came to the conclusion, that only when you realise that you cannot control the working or the ways of the Holy Spirit, then only you will understand the importance, to live in the spirit, pray in the spirit and act in the spirit.

So I asked God to help me to speak, act and live in the spirit, for that would be the only way by which I can assure, that I do have the authority, and that my child will heal before the operation. I also asked God that if this was where the problem was, then He must by some means, postpone the operation, in order to buy us some time, to proof that we have started living in the spirit.

This would then not only be a confirmation of an answer, but will furthermore allow my wife and I, the time we needed to proof that we started living in the spirit, and **carrying the fruit of the spirit**. However, things did not materialize as planned. During this stressful period of five months very few of the fruit of the Spirit were visible in our lives.

That same night I had a vision in a dream of multiple symbols looking like th



I saw this symbol before, for it is a symbol to point out that time that has past. It is usually used by people sent to prison. Therefore I came to the conclusion that God is telling me that either there is no time left anymore, and it couldn't be given to me as I ask for, or my time from being dismayed is over, and soon I would come to some sort of understanding about why this thing is happening to us. The night before the scheduled operation, I had very little faith left.

Remember this: Faith is not a section of the fruit of the spirit. We don't need much faith. Jesus Himself declared that if only we had faith like a mustardseed, anything would be possible for us.

In **Mat 17:20** it says: "And Jesus said unto them, "Because of **your unbelief** for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place and it shall remove and **nothing shall be impossible unto you.**"

Jesus said this in order to demonstrate that anyone can have faith, but faith grows as the Word of God is manifesting in our lives. In **Romans 10:17** the Bible declares that faith comes by hearing, and the hearing comes by the Word of God.

The inner conflict between and about the truth of the Bible, and the concealed authority that I was supposed to have, raised a lot of questions, which resulted in me being dismayed. I didn't understand anything. I thought I had all the answers to all the questions, but when something you believed in, doesn't happen, then what?

A good friend told me that God uses doctors as instruments to do the healing that He wants to bring to people. I couldn't accept this, because it immediately raises the question: Why is prayer for healing then necessary? Wouldn't it also mean that the crucifixion was of no use for sickness.?

No, the only explanation I could think of, is that I am still powerless in my authority, for I am not without faults and sin, and it counted against me. But then again, what about all the people that prayed for my child, and spoke healing into her body? Are they also powerless in their authority? Where shall I then find some-one with enough power in his/her authority?

You see I was under the impression that doctors and medicine are only for the non-believers.

Was I even asking the right questions? Maybe I had to change the view I'm looking at, and handling this dilemma. From beneath everything always looks impossibly big, but from God's point of view, how would things look like? So I asked God for wisdom, insight and understanding.

God then showed me that His ways of healing are always different, and He uses the instruments that He **chooses**.

In **Matthew 8:13** He chooses to speak healing.

In **Mark 7:33**, He chooses to spit and touched an tongue.

In **Matthew 5:41**, He chooses to grabbed the hand of the dead.

So whether God chooses medicine, a doctor, pharmacist or a prayer to do the healing, it is up to Him to decide which **method of healing** He wants to use, and at what stage He wants to do it. Therefore it also implies that healing is guaranteed in respect of the healing method. This thought made me more relaxed about the operation, which was now only several hours away.

On the one hand this made sense, because if I had a headache, I would take a pill for it without any second thought about it, because that is what headache pills are for, and 10 minutes later my headache will be forgotten. God enabled man to invent this kind of pill for that very reason.

One the other hand, I needed confirmation and wanted to be 100% sure that this is really the way that God works healing, for I am writing a book about this, and the facts that I put down here will be read by many and it had to be trustworthy and direct from God.

I needed surety that I was correct in my assumptions. I did not want this to be seen as a strawhalm that I grabbed, just because I did not have any explanation for the whole situation. I was the kind of person that would only believe what I see or what made sense to me.

I needed an direct confirmation from God, because I did not understand why? Why couldn't God just healed my child instantly? The operation took place, it was a grueling five hours long. The doctor was satisfied and said it was a success.

Later that day I came to realise one thing. Since we discovered my child's heart problem, our path has crossed many people's lives. Some of them living in despair, while others rejoiced in victory, and they all were children of God.

I discovered some truth principles, at the very same time that God let my path cross those people, who were in a big need for breakthroughs. Once I shared these truths with them, their lives changed.

So my child's heart problem was actually also used to bring several households out of the dark and into the light of Jesus Christ. But I wanted confirmation, because in my point of view God could have used many other ways to bring me in contact with those people.

God reminded me of Joseph who was presumed dead, and thrown into prison. While his father was battling to keep his household of eleven sons from starving, God used Joseph to feed two nations!

Thus, in the same way God used Joseph to feed two nations, the same He did with my child to bring several households out of the dark, and at the same time motivated me to write this book as a testimony to many.

I presume that Joseph's father might have been just as dismayed as I was, maybe even more- He thought his child was dead, mine only went for an operation! He had great sorrow about his son for a few years, my sorrow lasted only five months.

In the end, he saw his child alive and well, and many people were saved from starving. The same happened to me, only I saw my child again after a five hour operation and she was alive and well and as a bonus many people got saved from satan's works. Praise the Lord!

So what was God's purpose with my child going through the operation?

I believe God decided that:

- I had to become spiritually mature in the process.
- I had to realise the real purpose for authority.
- Many households had to be delivered from satan's works.
- The success of the operation was an answer to many prayers and strengthened a lot of people's faith.
- This book had to be written and used as a testimony
- The operation mark on my child will serve as a proof of God's healing method.
- All works for the good for those who put their trust in the Lord.

Then bad news came. Approximately 30 hours after the operation, it appeared that there were complications with the heart. The doctor wanted to consider a second operation to try and fix the problem, but they waited.

When I asked the doctor what they are waiting for, she replied: "We wait on God to do His share, we can only do so much, but we are still depended on Him to do the healing."

I was absolutely astonished about this statement. There was nothing any one could do for my child at that stage, except waiting on God to do the healing. So I went to my daughter, placed my hands on her head, prayed to God and said: "Father, I place my daughter in Your hands now to do the healing. If it is possible, don't let her get operated again."

Then I waited for several more hours to hear what's going to happen. My wife phoned me and told me that our daughter had to undergo surgery again, in order to try and fix the remaining problems, with no guarantee that everything will be in working order, as it is supposed to be after the operation. I was devastated and wondered why I was even writing this book? The hours had come and gone and as usual, nothing happened, for there was no change in my daughter's condition. Her saturation reading was suppose to be above 80, but it kept on falling to the lower 70's.

It was time to make a decision and I became angry with God, forgetting all that I prayed about. I authorised the second operation and it was carried out in a matter of 2 hours.

The problem was identified and fixed. After that operation, my daughter had a saturation reading of 100, which is the reading for a normal healthy person. She recovered so quickly that doctors were very satisfied and surprised with her progress. They called her the star of the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit. All in God's time, way and method!

Again we met new people sympathising with us, but I was emotionally stressed out. The moral of my testimony is that some-one who is filled with the Holy Spirit, **will** have the authority to lay hands on a sick person, and such person **will** heal, **according to the power of God that works within you.**

That person **will not** heal according to your knowledge of the Bible, or according to all the good you have done, but according to the extent of the power of the Holy Spirit inside you.

In **Mark 16:18** it is written: "They shall take up serpents and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them they shall *lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*



This picture was taken shortly after the 1st operation.

Other dangers influencing authority are:

Unforgiveness and bitterness which is a sickness that occurs from time to time in every Christian's life. We all have to deal with it. In **Hebrews 12:14,15** it is written:
" Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God lest any root of bitterness springing up, trouble you, and thereby many are defiled.

The sinful nature of mankind forms the basis for our prayers and no rationalization can set us free from that, because sin is the biggest factor to be looked at, when discussing the cause of powerless authority.

In **Isaiah 59:1-2** the spirit of God, spoke through the prophet, saying: "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear. But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear."

Sin is sometimes defined as a "small pleasure" or a "weakness". Don't fool yourself, sin is sin, it doesn't matter how big or how small. In **Psalms 66:18-19** David said: "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me" which means that any sin, big or small will be an obstacle in your communication towards God.

If you don't know what that sin is, tell God and He will speak to your heart about that sin. In **1 Peter 3:12** it is written: "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil."

In **1 John 3:6** it is written: "Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him." Although we are all living in a world of sin, we can still live like children of God and not like sinners.

In **Romans 12:2** it is written: "And be not conformed to This world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

Someone who deliberately keeps on sinning after that prayer, is busy turning his/her back on God , rejecting His mercy. God will not listen to such a person's prayers, for it is written in **Proverbs 28:9** "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be an abomination."

Another cause of powerless authority is problems in marriage. In **1Peter 3:7** the Bible talks about the hindering of the prayers of husband and wife. It is clear that there must be a healthy relationship between husband and wife in order for the concealed authority to take effect.

When a couple does not treat each other **according to the principles in the scriptures**, they are most likely a powerless couple.

Your relationship with others, normally reflects your relationship with God. In **1 John 4:20** the Bible says: "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?" Only when you restore your relationship with others, then you are ready to experience the full extent of the concealed authority.

There is a twisted truth about money, being the cause of sin, which is floating around and believed by many people. This is a lie. It is the **love** for money and not the money itself that comes between many Christians and God.

God wants us to have money and lots of it, but what He doesn't want, is that money has any say or influence in our relationship towards Him.

In **Colossians 3:5** it is written: "Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry."

Ephesians 5:5 says that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom (**authority**) of Christ and of God. According to **1 Timothy 6:10**, the **love** for money is the root of all evil, which means that it could lead to commit any sin in the world.

Debt

Prayers are hindered by wrong things which are not corrected, like debt that's not been paid. In **Romans 13:7,8** it is written: "Render therefore to all their dues tribute to whom tribute is due custom to whom custom fear to whom fear honor to whom honor. Owe no man any thing, but to love one another for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law."

In **Matthew 5:26** and **Luk 12:59** Jesus warns us to at least make arrangements for payback, if you owe money to some one. As soon as you deal with your debt, your prayers will be answered.

Unforgiveness

If you are not willing to forgive others before the sun sets, God will not forgive your sins and you will miss out on the blessing He wanted to put upon your house. In **Matthew 6:14- 15** it is written: "For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses."

Although God's forgiveness is not always the direct result of the forgiveness we give to others, His forgiveness is based on our understanding of what forgiveness is.

Doubt and unbelief

When you doubt if God will really answer your prayers, the you are actually making God to be a liar, for it is written in **James 1:6-8** "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways."

If you doubt your authority, you will most likely not **feel** that you are going to get an answer after you prayed. When you know for certain that you are going to get an answer, then you will. It is then that you know the extent of your authority, and an inner peace will take hold of you.

However, satan knows this, that's why he always tries to create doubt like:

- Is it really possible?
- Did God really answer?
- Was it really God speaking to me or was it my "own thoughts?"
- My sins are too many or too serious, I'm getting punished for it.

These kinds of thoughts disqualify you for authority. The devil knows it, his strategy never changed since that horrible day in the garden of Eden. In **Genesis 3:1** he asked Eve this question to create doubt: "And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?"

When Jesus was tempted, satan tried to create doubt in His mind by saying: "If You are the Son of God, speak that these stones may become loaves." Jesus answered him with the words "It is written"

You see, you do not need to remind the satan where in the scriptures it is written for he knows the scriptures very well, better than you and I do.

Jesus did not tell satan it "is written in **Deuteronomium 8:3**..." no, He just said "it is written" This is the only way in which one can legally get protection for his/her authority. The words "it is written" means that God said so, and God is no man that He could lie.

From experience I can confirm that an unbelieving negative mood, is always busy with some kind of reasoning. You think about things over and over again and you are always thinking in circles. It is also then when you start to be really frustrated and cynical.

The Bible warns us against this specific thinking pattern in **Proverbs 3:5** where it says that we need to trust God with our whole heart, and not be dependable on our own insight. The last element that would deprive one from the concealed authority is **disobedience**. In **Matt 7:21** it is written that obedience will result in doing what God wants. It means that you will not be a child of God in theory, but in practise.

Somebody that is not reading the Word of God, will not know the promises, reminders and orders. Such person will therefore have no basis for authority. The satan however, also uses ignorance to keep us from getting that authority. Your thoughts are the playground for the devil and we need to submit these thoughts to Jesus Christ.

In order to ensure the effectiveness of our authority, we need to reprogram our thoughts, for there can be no powerful authority with a doubtful mind.

Lastly we need to replace satan's lies, with God's truth principles, and the most effective way to do that, is by exercising our thoughts to be obedient to God, for all sin, poverty and despair, starts in the mind as a thought.

In **2 Corinthians 10:5;6** it is written: "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ and having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled."

Every emotion or thought that is not from God must be resisted in the Name of Jesus Christ.

The concealed authority can also not be bought for it is written in **Acts 8:18-20** "And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money."

Why did people try to buy the concealed authority? What made it so valuable that some one is willing to pay for it?

Was it the manner in which it was used that attracted people or was it something else ?

What did the Apostles do with that authority? What must we do with it?

The next chapter will focus on what we can do with this authority and how to apply it in a successful way.

CHAPTER 4

What do you do with this authority?

We now know what the concealed authority is, and how to obtain it. But what should we do this authority once we obtained it?

The power of the concealed authority, is not supposed to be only a theoretical knowledge and trust, but must also be allowed to develop in the daily life of the Christian. This power cannot be measured, because it comprises the biggest unknown possibilities, and the Bible is full of examples about the extent thereof.

The following examples are quoted for ease of reference:

In **Joshua 10:12** the concealed authority made the sun stand still

-In **Daniel 6:23** the concealed authority shut the mouths of hungry lions

-In **1 Kings 18:38** the concealed authority ordered fire from heaven

-In **2 Kings 4:33** the concealed authority raised the dead.

-In **Acts 9:33** the concealed authority healed a man that was sick of palsy.

In **Acts 5:19** the concealed authority opened the doors of a prison

-In **Acts 28:5** the concealed authority protected Paul against the bite of a poisonous snake

The concealed authority unlocks a power that makes all things possible, for it is written in **John 14:13-14** :

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it." The Christian can thus address any of life's problems according to a Christian believesystem which comprises the following:

Scripture knowledge

As already says in **Romans 10:17** it is written: So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Knowledge of the scriptures results in a powerful soul search method when it is used.

In **Hebrews 4:12-13** the Bible says that: " The word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

Lack of knowledge about the scriptures, result in ineffective authority, because you can not claim what you don't have, you can not protect what you don't know about.

In **Matthew 16:19** Jesus gave us the keys to the unknown spiritual life. The devil is part of the spiritual life, and we can use our authority, to make him bow and run away before the Word of God, for it is written in **James 4:7** that we must resist the devil and he will flee from us.

The concealed authority is supported by our weapon armoury as reflected in **Ephesians 6:10-18**. Each weapon has a specific use, and it is possible for the Christian to defeat the devil, and to identify his attack zone, with the support of these spiritual weapons.

Every problem is based on a lie of satan. The lie of satan is intensely focused on Christians. If you do not know the scriptures, you **will** believe the lie, which **will** result in a twisted outlook on life.

Patience to wait upon God, is another very important factor. With my daughter's operation, I came to realise that the Jews were waiting for the Holy Spirit for a period of about 40 days, but unlike the Jews, I didn't wait for the Spirit before I prayed and laid hands on my daughter.

I never waited on the Spirit to be refilled, I just assumed that once your'e filled with the Spirit, you will stay that way and will always be effective in your authority.

It is however not the way it works, according to **Ephesians 4** and **Colossians 3:10**. This was a difficult issue for me. Most people tend to get impatient and they are not prepared to wait on God. In **Hebrews 6:15** we are assured that we will receive an answer, if we are willing to wait on God. Impatients **will** result in unbelief.

I was an expert in being impatient and it caused me a lot of unanswered prayers, frustration and tears. If something took too long to happen, I would make a plan to make it happen by myself and at the same time asked God's blessing on my plan! When that plan of mine did not work out, I accepted it that God did not want me to get what I asked for.

I could have saved myself all this trouble, if I just would have been patient in waiting upon God, because in the end, God did answer, but in His own way- a way that I never thought of, and when I come to think of it, God's way was the best and safest way for me.

Through these experiences I have learned along the hard way that one must **never ever** give up on something that you have prayed about. The answer always comes shortly after you gave up.

This fact stood out in my own life. I normally gave up just before the answer came. My actions after I gave up, resulted in my circumstances to changed from bad to worse and had to be corrected before I could accept God's answer.

I experienced that one can not **flee** from your circumstances by prayer. God will keep you there, until He is convinced that you can handle your circumstances, **and** prosper in it. It took me 25 years to learn this lesson! That's the road you have to travel towards growing spiritually mature, and being able to obtain your authority.

In order to understand what we can do with this authority, we need to look at our armoury with which we must equip ourselves, for that is the supportive key, in using our authority.

Spiritual weapons.

- The weapon of Truth
- The weapon of Righteousness
- The weapon of Testimony
- The weapon of Faith
- The weapon of Redemption
- The weapon of Scripture knowledge
- The weapon of Prayer

The devil knows very well why these weapons, were issued to the Christian, and what destruction it could cause to his works. That is why he is concentrating exactly on that areas, for he will get the best results, if he attacks us in that areas. These are the areas in your mind. The functions of your soul, plays a big part regarding feelings and emotions.

Once satan can get into your mind on any of these areas, you are an open target for his attacks. Because of ignorance, we don't realise what the value and power is of this authority, and even if we do have the knowledge, we do not regard it as being valuable.

Your thoughts for instance, is a very familiar function and you don't give much attention to it when satan causes a **little** thought of sadness, because you may not want to feel sad at that stage. But, do you speak to satan on the issue, or do you just let the thought go by? How do you handle the situation?

Once you let it pass, without rejecting it in the name of Jesus, then you automatically make room for satan to create **more** of his evil thoughts in your mind, even in small amounts, and before you can realise what is happening, you are depressed!

This process may take months to manifest, but it certainly will happen, long after you forgot about that first thought. It is then that you cannot understand, why you are so depressed, or why you are so sad about minor things. The evil thoughts creates a snowball effect and causes other issues like frustration and dissatisfaction to develop.

If the problem isn't solved soon, it will finally lead to rebellion against God. Such a person normally puts the blame for his/her situation on the present problem, God, circumstances or other people.

Selfpity will manifest as a result of your circumstances which had worsened. This selfpity goes hand in hand with blame, and total devastation about a situation, that could have been resolved, the moment that satan tried to invade our thoughts.

The devil's attacks in our minds will stick like a virus, if we do not submit our thoughts, to Jesus Christ on a daily basis. That virus will incubate, creating all sorts of viruses which will infect all thoughts in the mind. Then you will speak your mind, for it is the most natural thing to do, and once you have spoken that which is on your mind, then you have a problem. David realised this, and was very careful about it, and he took special care not to just speak his mind, for he knew the power of words.

In **Psalm 17:3** he says: "Thou hast proved mine heart thou hast visited me in the night thou hast tried me, and shalt find nothing I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress." . Daniel needed to pray at least three time a day in order to keep his mind focused on God.

What makes us different from him? In fact, the satanic attacks against God's children, escalated since the time of Daniel. Shouldn't we be much more alert on this mind games, that satan is playing with us, in such an subtle and "acceptable way"?

When satan attacks us, and we don't defend these areas, then it will lead to a broken relationship with God. But what exactly does satan do?

To answer this question I will distinguish between the armoury of God and how satan attacks it.

God's Armoury	Area of satan's attacks
Truth	Lies and misleading
Righteousness	Feelings of guilt
Testimony	Disheartened to testify
Faith	Doubt and unbelief
Redemption	Temptation to sin
Scripture knowledge	Wrong interpretations and laziness
Prayer	Thoughts and emotions

So, now that we know why we have to protect this concealed authority, we can look at how we can do it, and what can we do with it once it is protected. Every authority driven action, does not only destroy satan's works, but also activates a blessing.

Spiritual growth, can take place in no other way, than to make use of the spiritual armoury, during times of testing and tribulation.

Once you are using the concealed authority successfully, you are in the will of God for it is written in **Romans 14:17**: " For the kingdom(authority) of God is not meat and drink but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

You will also get focused on the things of the Spirit, according to **Romans 8:5**. The fruit of the Spirit will therefore become active and visible in your life. Here I'm talking about Love, Joy, Peace, Friendliness, Goodness, faithfulness, self-control, Patience, and Gentleness.

Such a person will focus on living a Holy life and do holy things, according to **1 Peter 1:15**: "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation."

This person will then get the reward according to **Revelations 2:7**: "He that hath an ear let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcomes will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God."

Putting the concealed authority to practise, require's you to be free in order to do so. In **John 8:36** it is written that if the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

So, we then, have the responsibility to live in such a way, that we stay free. It is essential to develop a Godly vision for your life, to fill that emptiness once you have been set free.

In my own life I needed such a vision, because after I gave my life to Jesus Christ, gone were all the parties, anger, and worries about worldly issues. However I didn't stop smoking immediately and my finances didn't improve drastically. In fact none of the stuff I expected to get better, did actually improved.

Sometimes I tried to make it better on my own, but it just wouldn't work. Your mind tends to fill with all sorts of reasoning about why you should make it better. The devil launched heavy attacks towards my mind, and I was not yet an expert in defence, through making use of my spiritual armoury.

Finally I quitted the cigarettes and switched over to a pipe. I smoked less and it was much more cleaner way of messing up my body. Besides, the pressure in the SAPS was getting higher and all sorts of problems kept popping up like weed.

I also spent most of my spare time doing research in the word of God, and I came to realize that, the more you resist that urge for striving to a better fleshly life, the less intense it gets, but satan will keep on putting thoughts in your mind that life is not fair, and that you deserve better.

I realised that satan's attacks are here to stay, it is there for life, and I will have to cope with it in a effective way, for it will never go away till the day I'm united with Christ.

The Bible does say that poverty will always be with us. This is true, but not in the context that satan implies it in your mind. You see, God wants His children to be rich and successful, but on His terms. He's terms is that you should live a holy life, and strive for the concealed authority, for it is written in **Matthew 6:33** "But seek ye first the kingdom (Authority) of God, **and** his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."

What does this verse really say? First of all, you have to obtain this authority, but then you need to do something more- **seek for the righteousness**. The Greek translation for the word righteousness is *dikaïos*, which by implication means, innocent and Holy. You have to live a holy life in which you carry the fruit of the spirit. By doing this, you will not have the need to even pray for worldly things like money issues, for it will be provided to you, by God automatically.

To keep on searching for a holy innocent lifestyle is a daily process and is only possible through the blood of Jesus Christ. In **Deuteronomium 30:19** it is written: "I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live."

Every Christian has the choice to decide what the extent of his/her authority is going to be, and you must be sure that you have no hidden agenda, when seeking for this authority.

It is written in **Galasians 6:7** that as you sew, so shall you reap. That means that **if you use your authority in a imperfect manner, like to obtain worldly things or satisfying a issue by means of a hidden agenda, you shall get an imperfect result.**

In **Psalm 18:26** it is written: "With the pure, thou wilt show thyself pure, and with the froward thou wilt show thyself froward." In this way you will reap exactly what you sew. God tells us in **Jermiah 17:10** that He searches the heart and try the reins, even to give everyman according to his ways and according to the fruit of his doings.

How often does God do this "search"? The Bible tells us in **Job 22:14** that God speak in two different ways to us in a dream or a vision. This happen at night when we are deep asleep.

How often do we give thought about what we dream? In my experience, the dreams that God give, is about in the vicinity of 6:00-20:00-20:00. The... normal

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Against this background I could be seen as a selfish father,

who was not prepared to let God do what He wanted to. I wanted to use my authority, to comfort my own personal needs. I did not see the bigger picture, I did not even asked for it. No, all I could think of, was my child's sickness and the influence it had on my life and faith.



This picture was taken shortly after the 2nd operation and about 33 hours after the first operation.

The Apostle Paul had a personal issue that bothered him a lot, and I suppose he could have used his authority to make it go away, but God answered him in **2 Corinthians 12:9** "And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me."

This does **not** however implies that we cannot use our authority on issues in our personal lives, as long as it is primarily focused, to uplift the Kingdom of God, and promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and in accordance to the working of the Holy Spirit.

We must realise, that we have to do with a Holy soweren God, and He wants us to use this authority with wisdom, and according to His will.

Because of this freedom of choice, we also know that God is not forcing us to do things against our will. Getting that Holy life, is only possible when the Spirit of Jesus Christ possesses you on **your** invitation or request.

The concealed authority is used to empower the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and the Christian is the person who is used by God, to exercise this authority. This authority leads to living a mature spiritual life, and it has a healthy influence on the soul, spirit and body of the Christian.

When you possess the concealed authority, you will be able to:

- Identify a problem
- Identify the lies of satan
- Exercise God's truth principles

This is a process of self-discipline, which is focused to serve you in a holistic manner. We need to understand this process, in order to understand the value of the authority.

I knew I had a problem with impatientness. I just could not wait on God for very long after I prayed for something. God needed to teach me a lesson on various occasions, because of my impatient attitude.

Through this I learned that patients:

-Is good for my soul, because I have learned to trust in God no matter what the circumstances

-Is good for my body, because it learned to submit to the soul and adapt to what ever decision I made.

-Is good for my spirit, because I received a inner peace about the thing I prayed for.

This process has a immediate effect on your relationship with others and you develop a perspective that would not be otherwise possible. Why is that? Because impatience makes you disheartened, and if that happen, you walk with a unhappy face, affecting everybody around you, negatively.

If you don't deal with it as soon as possible, your situation might get out of hand and things will start happening like, irritations, unfriendliness, lack of joy excecetra and the exact opposite of the fruit of the spirit will take a stronghold in your life. Then you will carry the fruit of satan.

The concealed authority, gives you new hope for your mood swings, identity crises, faulty value system and twisted beliefs.

The concealed authority is used to resolve problems, which is caused by satan. It is not only a purifier of the soul, but also a deadly weapon against the works of satan. In **Rom 8:28** it is written: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Because God created people different, their assumptions about the concealed authority will also differ, and no one has the same measure of authority, because God is doing for us far above what we pray or think, **according** to His power that **works in us**, but in the end, it will all work out for the good.

The concealed authority also empower us in Jesus Christ, because it makes us strong in the process of daily repentance, forgiveness, deliverance and healing.

As you can see, satan cannot stop your repentance, rebirth and neither has he got any power against your concealed authority. All he can do is influence your mind, so that you are not able to live a life that carries the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

Finally you can also use the concealed authority, to enrich your spiritual life to the glory of God. Remember that I said, it can not be used for personal gain or hidden agendas. This is however not what I am talking about now.

Enriching your spiritual life means, using your armoury with power to defend your faith, and the fruit of the Holy Spirit. How does one do that? Let me give you an example.

Sometimes a married couple argues. Sometimes the dispute is about small things. It happens that a small thing activates a sharp comment, which leads to a chain reaction of arguments. This normally occurs where there is a lot of tension in the household. Then all of a sudden you have a very good memory. You remember a lot of things about the past, what your partner did wrong and it makes you even more angry.

Once you start to remember, you are unstoppable. Your mind is working at top speed, whilst your getting ready for the next counter attack. Have you ever been there?

My dear friend, I have learn in the hard way, that being in that state of mind is no art. It is very easy becoming a merciless dictator in your attempt to proof that you are right, and the other party is wrong.

That is your main focusline, to be proven right, to get the other party so far to acknowledge that you were right and he/she was wrong. Why do you want this?

Because then you can shake the blame for the argument, and for the sin that is committed as a result of the argument, off your shoulder, and put it on the other party's shoulders. It's also your way of saying: "God, it is not my fault, I didn't even begin the argument"

Doesn't this sound familiar? "God, it's not my fault, it is the woman you gave me... or "God, it's not my fault, the devil misled me " The reason for a lack of self-control is mostly blamed on other people.

It is however Satan, who is too glad to refresh your memory, and stir up feelings about your rights and personality, that had been violated.

But what happens during this argument? Well firstly, all the sections of the fruit of the Spirit disappear like mist in the sun. Secondly, if the matter is not solved immediately, you go to bed, calm, but still angry at your partner. It is not a good thing to wait for the next day, before solving the issue.

The Word of God teaches us in **Ephesians 4:26** that, we should not go to sleep, if we are angry. This means that you should never go to sleep when you are angry. It doesn't matter who you are angry at. It may be your wife, husband, circumstances, your boss etcetra.

With the concealed authority you are able to speak calmness and forgiveness, into your spirit.

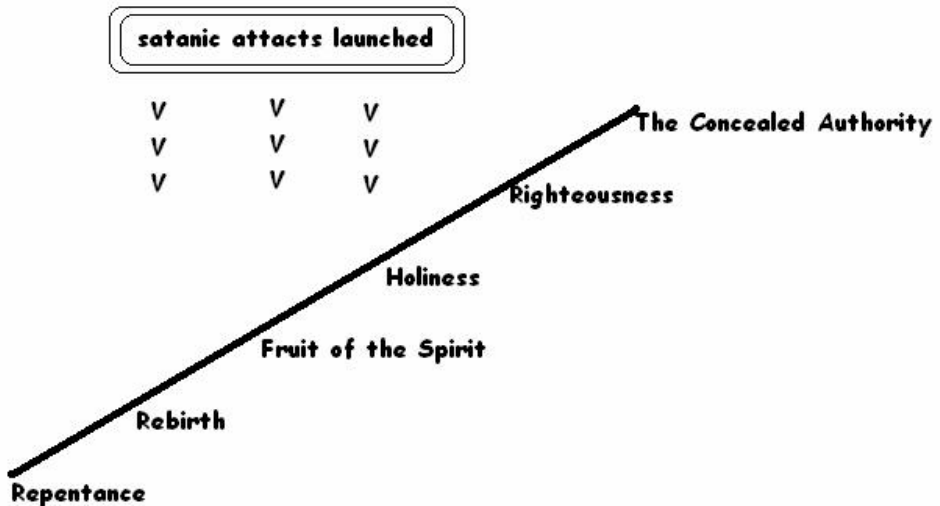
A Christian with selfcontrol can stay calm, and at the same time get angry without sinning. It is not wrong to become angry, because that is a human characteristic. But to become angry without sinning, that is only possible when you put your concealed authority to work.

CHAPTER 5

Conclusion

The path of obtaining the concealed authority, looks like the illustration below, and therefore we are able through the grace of God and the blood of Jesus Christ, to demolish the works of satan.

Path of obtaining the Concealed Authority



The Jews took the path very, very seriously. They followed it with their whole heart and soul and was even prepared to die for their faith. Some of them got thrown into prison because they exercise their authority.

Nothing has changed since, it does not matter in which country you are living in, if you exercise your authority for example here in South Africa, imagine the repercussions you will cause if Hospitals goes out of business? Or when the main church leaders loose their financial support and members? Sooner or later you will be branded as a rebellious threat to peace, stability, and prosperity.

Why? Because you are going to put thousands of people out of their jobs, at the hospitals and in the church ministries. Your actions will cause many people to loose a lot of money and they are not going to stand by, and watch you destroy it all by the word of God. People will see and follow the truth.

The same happened to the Jews. The apostles was preaching and healing people in Thyatira. In **Acts 16:19** it is written: "And when her masters saw that **the hope of their gains was gone**, they caught Paul and Silas, drew them into the market place unto the rulers and brought them to the magistrates, saying; these men being Jews do exceedingly **trouble to our city**." After this they were beaten and thrown into prison.

The concealed authority has an unimaginable value, and whosoever obtains it, will take all the necessary precaution to keep it. The Jews were very protective over it. Some tried to buy it, others got killed as a result. Whatever the circumstances, I came to the conclusion that only those that experienced the tremendous power of this authority, really knows exactly what the value is thereof.

They will go for it by force, for it is written in **Matthew 11:12** " And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force." This should alarm us, because how serious do we take our faith, our concealed authority? How desperately do we want to obtain our authority? Do we have a vision? Do we really want revival in South Africa? Are we prepared to wait for the Holy Spirit and pray together for a period of 40days, like the Jews did?

I believe God wants to start up this generation in preaching the gospel of the Kingdom (the concealed authority) of God. Jesus Christ told the Jews in **Matthew 10:23** that in the end of times, which is now, they will not have finished preaching the gospel of the concealed authority in their country, before His second coming. We need to make a serious effort to obtain that authority. We need to:

Repent for it is written in **James 5:16** "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

Get born again for it is written in **John 3:3** "Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."

Obtain holiness for it is written in **Hebrews 12:14**
"Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord"

Testify, for it is written in **Mark 8:38**:
"Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Use your Armoury for it is written in **Ephesians 6:10,11**
"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

The use of the concealed authority is **invisible actions against the forces of darkness**, that is used to force them to obey the Word of God, and to protect your faith as well as the fruit of the Holy Spirit inside you. The focus area is in your mind, because that is where satan attacks. You don't need to do anything else except having a change of mindset according to the truth principles of God's word.

Once you changed your mindset, you will start to live what you think and speak. It is only natural that one shall experience this process as,emotional exhausting but, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, you will overcome that and even distinguish between emotional experiences, and demonic activities.

Before you drive a car, you need to obtain knowledge about a car and what it can do for you. Then you must practise and get tested before you can get your licence. It works the same with the concealed authority. You need knowledge in order to get to practise. Then God will put you to the test, and when you succeed, whala! You have the concealed authority.

The reason for this process is because, it is such a serious and powerful weapon, which brings about change in the spiritual realm, and touches people's lives very deeply. The fact that we are able to change our mindset, also emphasize the importance of going through that process.

The Christian must know where he/she comes from and where they going, The most effective way to change your mindset is by conviction. In **2 Timothy 3:16-17** it is written that God gave His Word, to be taught in the truth.

Practical exercise of these truths, will result in spiritual upliftment. Only when you are able to resist satan in your mind successfully, only then you are ready to exersise the concealed authority.

The biggest factor that prevent people from having a complete change of mindset is acceptance. The Christian must not only accept that his/her old life is something of the past, but must also accept God's word as the only truth.

In **1 Corinthians 2:14** Paul warns us about this: "But the Natural Man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God for they are foolishness unto him neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

The more difficulty you have to accept your authority, the slower you are going to make progress. As soon as you try to be in control of certain aspects in your life, you will deny the working of the Holy Spirit in your life, which will result in the absence of the fruit of the spirit.

In **Matthew 7:20-22** it seems that the concealed authority can be obtained **without** carrying the fruit of the spirit. How is this possible? By what authority did those people cast out devils? It cannot be from demonic origin, because the Bible clearly states that a kingdom that is divided against himself will not stand. What was it then?

In **Acts 19:13** we find an example of this kind of people that "acts in the Name of Jesus" to get money for their, services, then certain of the **vagabond Jews**, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth."

I believe that Jesus was talking about the Jews unto whom this authority was given, but who has abused and misused it, for it is also written in **Matthew 21:43** "Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof."

Attacks from satan will unavoidable be part of life, until the second coming of Jesus Christ, but we have the assurance according to **Ephesians 6:11** that we shall be able to endure and resist these attacks. We have to learn how to speak the word of God, starting by saying: "It is written..."

The Christian has to fully understand his/her identity in Christ, and adapt to the new image. Your enthusiasm will be fired up by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Therefore we should go over to action and start living out God's truth principles on a daily basis.

One must take care to act in a responsible manner, even if it is difficult to control yourself from preaching and praying for all that crosses your path. We must have a balanced way of acting on the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In other words, when you received your concealed authority, you must not quit your job and start a ministry on your own, except when God tells you to.

That is not the way it works. Thousands of Christians fell into this trap and regretted it later on. God's intention for you, is to use your authority in your area where you church, work and shop till you drop.

It is very tragic that thousands of Christians with great potential to preach and practice the Gospel, has been intimidated by some small factor like rudeness from other Christians or even church leaders, which resulted in a poor candle light burning inside them instead of a blazing fire. That is why we have to walk the road every step of the way.

There is no shortcuts, All of us have to go through the different paces to spiritual maturity. In **Hebrews 5:14** it is written: "But strong meat belongeth to them that are full of age, even those who by reason of use, have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil"

Although we have this Godly authority, we must allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in the acceptance, practicing and application of this authority.

In **1 Timothy 4:16** it is written: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine, continue in them, for in doing this, thou shalt save thyself and them that hear thee." We are thus encourage to persist with he application of the concealed authority and to presevere in our testimony.

This will give meaning to our faith, which is supported by the use of our gifts. It is also a training phase in which we discover the road to spiritual maturity.

Spiritual growth in order to obtain the concealed authority can be defined in:

John 10:10 as it is written: "The thief cometh not but for to steal and kill and to destroy, I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly"

Romans 3:23 for it is written: "For all have sinned, and Come short of the Glory of God." The gap between a sinful Person and God is bridged by Jesus Christ.

John 14:6 for it is written: "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way and the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

1 Corinthians 13 which is all about love.

The devil is powerless and can be controlled with very little effort. One's mind is however your biggest enemy, and must be renewed daily, with worship and praise

Spiritual growth in order to obtain the concealed authority, ask that you should invest time in your prayer life.



This picture shows my daughter as she looks now. She is alive, well, healthy and very happy.

She is the living proof of God's grace. I asked the question earlier "But where was God in all this?" Finally I got the answer. God was in the whole process, every step of the way, from beginning till the end. Not only did He allow our path to cross with people that were in need, but also He brought people to us that is His children, people supporting us through the whole ordeal.

Even strangers came to the hospital, encouraging us and praying for my daughter. Some people, whom we didn't even know, came and spent hours at the hospital, supporting us. The sms's came in at a rate of approximately 50 per day, and most of them from people we didn't know.

By meeting all these people that God has sent to us, a chain reaction of answers on prayers were activated in other issues of our lives. Every single prayer that I prayed the past year was answered when we met those people.

It was God using those people to get our prayers answered. It was God sending us all that people to support us. It was God that worked in their hearts to sms us. It was God that put the healing team together. It was God that guided the team to make the right decisions. It was God who sent people to come and pray for my daughter and for us.

It was God who constructed new friendships with people of His choice. Once again I realised that **God works through people** to carry out His Will. I also realise that this is what the **real church** of God looks like. It consists out of this kind of people - **strangers caring about strangers**, loving them, supporting them and praying for them.

I want to thank all those people. I can't remember who most of them are, but their faces are engraved in my mind. I thank you from my heart, for being there for us. Thank you for listening to God's voice in your hearts. And most of all, thank you very, very much for your prayers. To God be the glory, the honor and praise for ever and ever, AMEN.



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