



Key Scripture:

Matthew 21:23 NKJV

"By what authority are You doing these things? And who gave You this authority?"

Temptation

Matthew 4:1-11 NKJV

1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. 3 Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread."

4 But He answered and said, **"It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.'"**

5 Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you,' and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.'"

7 Jesus said to him, **"It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the Lord your God.'"**

8 Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me."

10 Then Jesus said to him, **"Away with you, Satan!**

For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only you shall serve.'"

11 Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him.

How can we be tempted to surrender our authority?

- ✓ Lack of **Provision**
- ✓ **Provoke** others.
- ✓ Wanting **Power** to do our own will.

Notes: _____

Authority

Enemy Mine

Walking In Authority...

1. Be **aware** of who your enemies are.

1 John 2:16 Message

Practically everything that goes on in the world — **wanting your own way, wanting everything for yourself, wanting to appear important** — has nothing to do with the Father. **It just isolates you from Him.**

- ✓ **Flesh**
- ✓ **Thoughts**
- ✓ **Emotions**

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 NASU

3 For though **we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh,** 4 for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. 5 We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and **we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,**

2. **Know** God's Word and **obey** it.

James 1:22 NKJV

But **be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.**

3. **Follow** the lead of the Holy Spirit in every area of your life.

Galatians 5:25 NLT

Since **we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives.**

Notes: _____

