

Key Scripture:

Matthew 21:23 NKJV

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

Authority Given

Luke 10:17-20 NASU

17 The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name." 18 And He said to them, "I was watching Satan fall from heaven like lightning.

19 "Behold, **I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy,** and nothing will injure you.

20 "Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven."

Schemes of the enemy.

2 Corinthians 2:11 NASU

that no advantage would be taken of us by Satan, for **we are not ignorant of his schemes.**

✓ **Deception / Disinformation**

1 Timothy 4:1 NLT

Now the Holy Spirit tells us clearly that in the last times **some will turn away from the true faith; they will follow deceptive spirits and teachings that come from demons.**

✓ **Division**

Matthew 12:25 NASU

...**"Any kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and any city or house divided against itself will not stand.**

✓ **Discouragement / Doubt / Devaluation**

Matthew 4:3 NIV

The tempter came to him and said, "**If you are the Son of God...**"

✓ **Dishonor / Disgrace / Degrade**

Psalms 44:15-16 NKJV

15 **My dishonor is continually before me,** And the **shame of my face has covered me,**

16 Because of the voice of him who reproaches and reviles, **Because of the enemy** and the avenger.

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**Authority
Over The Enemy**

Authority over the enemy...

1. Speak out your faith.

Matthew 17:19-21 NKJV

19 Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?"

20 So Jesus said to them, **"Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.**
 21 However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting."

2. Strategize with the Holy Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-23 NLT

22 But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: **love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness,** and **self-control.** There is no law against these things!

1 Corinthians 12:7-11 NKJV

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:
 8 for to one is given the **word of wisdom** through the Spirit, to another the **word of knowledge** through the same Spirit, 9 to another **faith** by the same Spirit, to **another gifts of healings** by the same Spirit, 10 to another the **working of miracles,** to another **prophecy,** to another **discerning of spirits,** to another **different kinds of tongues,** to another the **interpretation of tongues.**

3. Sustain a clear conscience before God.

2 Corinthians 1:12 NLT

12 **We can say with confidence and a clear conscience** that we have lived with a God-given holiness and sincerity in all our dealings. We have depended on God's grace, not on our own human wisdom. That is how we have conducted ourselves before the world, and especially toward you.

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