BA 101 UNDERSTANDING AUTHORITY

1. Dunamis (Power): Inherent power given you as your own possession - Resides in you Acts 1:8

2. Exousia (Authority): Given to you with nothing you can do for its development or enforcement. The sheriff does not have the responsibility of establishing the authority of the office, but merely carries out the authority given. Fear may keep one from serving a warrant but the authority is still there and the next man can use regardless of the failure of previous - Faith is required to operate in that delegated authority.
- Truths to assist in understanding authority.

I. CREATION DESIGNATED AUTHORITY BY GOD
- Gen. 1:26-28 "Let them have dominion over--fish--fowl--cattle-creeping things--subdue it."

II. LOSS OF THIS AUTHORITY AND POSITION:
- Lk. 4:6 "Showed him the kingdoms of the world--all this power will I give thee--for that is delivered unto me." Gen. 3:1-6

III. PROMISE GOD MADE: Gen. 3:14

1. Satan 3:14-15 2. Woman: 3:16
3. Man: 3:17-24 - Ever since then Satan has attacked every man because he might be the one with power to do what God said.
- Fearful of Jesus' birth and work, today fearful of birth of manchild and work.

IV. FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S PROMISE:

1. Lk. 2:49 "I must be about my father's business."
2. Jo. 4:34 "My meat is to do the will of Him that sent Me, and to finish His work."
3. I Jo. 3:8 "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil."
4. Heb. 2:14 "That through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is the devil."
5. Rev. 1:18 "I am alive forevermore, amen; and have the keys to hell (Hades) and of death."

V. RE-ESTABLISHMENT BASIS: Lk.10:19 Behold I give unto you the power to tread on serpents & scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you." Jo.3:6 - II Cor. 5:17 - II Pet. 1:4

BA102 CONFIDENCE FOR AUTHORITY

- Hosea 4:6 "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge." God has given it.

- Authority confidence comes from knowledge of one who delegates and faith it is so.

I. PERMANENCY OF THE AUTHORITY

1. Isa. 40:8 "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, but the word of God stands forever."

2. I Pet. 1:24-25 "All flesh is as grass, all the glory of man as the flower of the grass--but the word of the Lord endureth forever."

3. Ps. 119:89-90 "Forever O Lord thy word is settled in heaven, thou faithfulness is unto all generations, thou hast established the earth and it abideth."

4. Ps. 89:34 "My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my mouth."

5. Mal. 3:6 "I am the Lord God, and I change not."

6. II Cor. 1:20 "All the promises of God are in him yea, and amen."

II. POWER OF GOD'S AUTHORITY

1. Gen. 1:3 "And God said, let there be light, and there was light.

2. Heb. 4:12 "Quick" alive - "Sharper" active, operative "piercing" penetrating - "joints & marrow" deepest parts "discerner" expose, sift, analyze, judge.

3. Isa. 55:11 "It shall not return void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I send it."

4. Ps. 1:1-3"Whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

5. Ps. 112:7 "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in Jesus"

6. Pr. 4:20-22"Attend to my words--life unto those that find them and health to all their flesh."

III. REQUIREMENTS:

1. Evaluation: Job 23:12 "I have treasured up the words of his mouth more than my necessary food." Mt. 4:4 "Man shall not live by bread alone, but every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Ps. 119:30 "The entrance of thy words giveth light and understanding unto the simple." - Jer. 15:16 "Thy words were found and I did eat them." Ps. 119:24 "Thy testimonies are my delight and my counsellors."

2. Meditation: Jos. 1:8 - Mt. 6:21 "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

3. Believe and confess: Rom. 10:9-10
"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus (authority) and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead (given you authority of Lk. 10:19) thou shalt be saved (have the authority)."

Mk. 11:23 "But shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass, he shall have whatsoever he saith."

- Positive or Negative Law -

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- Rebellion hinders effectiveness of your delegation.
- Can't live under authority of God and not his men.
- My personal attitude in business world.

II. LIVE SO PEOPLE CAN HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOUR DELEGATION: Not do as I say, but as I do

- Spiritual - Physical - Mental - Giving - Language

III. KNOW THE BOSS SUPPORTS AND BACKS THE FAITHFUL.

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BA 104 SPHERE OF AUTHORITY

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I. DEFEATED SATAN IN PERSONAL ATTACKS: Lk. 4:1-11

II. DEMONS: Lk. 4:33-37 "Hold thy peace & come out."

III. FISH: Lk. 5:4-6 "Multitude of fishes"

IV. DISTANCE: Lk. 7:6-10 "Say in a word & my servant shall be healed."

V. DEATH: Lk. 7:12-17 "Dead man, only son"

VI. WEATHER: Lk. 8:22-26 "Rebuked wind & raging water"

VII. FOOD: Lk. 9:11-17 "5 loaves, 2 fishes, 5,000 men did eat & were filled"

VIII. NATURAL LAWS: Mk. 6:45-51 "Walking on the sea"

IX. FINANCES: Mt. 17:27 "Cast hook, take first fish, open mouth & find piece of money."

X. TIME: Jo. 6:17-21 "Immediately the ship was at the land, whither they went."

XI. CIRCUMSTANCES: Lk. 4:28-32 (30) "But he, passing through the midst of them, went his way."

XII. FLESH: Lk. 22:50-51 "Cut off his right ear--he touched his ear and healed him" (Fasted 40 days)

XIII. PEOPLE: Lk. 5:10 "And Jesus said unto Simon, fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men."

BA105 LANGUAGE OF AUTHORITY

1. Proverbs 21:23 "Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles."

2. James 1:26 "If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain."

I. LEARN GOD'S LANGUAGE

1. Prov. 16:23 "The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips."
2. Rom. 12:2 "Be ye not conformed to the world but transformed by the renewing of your mind."
   A. Victory is difficult because world programmed
   B. Victory is one involving diligence
   C. Victory is a life time task.

II. KNOW IN YOUR HEART THE POWER OF WORDS (LANGUAGE)

1. Gen. 1:3 God said,"Let there be" and it happened. We are created in His image and so do our spoken words alwo happen.
2. Eph. 4:29 (Amp) "Let no foul or polluting language, nor evil word, nor unwholesome or worthless talk (ever) come out of your mouth; but only such (speech) as is good and beneficial to the spiritual progress of others, as is fitting to the need and the occasion, that it may be a blessing and give grace (God's favor) to those who hear it."
3. Mt. 12:35-37
4. Prov. 16:30 "He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things; moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass."
5. Prov. 13:2 "A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth; but the soul of the transfressors shall eat violence."
6. Prov. 15:14 "The heart of him that hath understanding seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth on foolishness."
7. Prov. 18:6-8
8. Prov. 12:14 "A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him."

III. MEDITATE UPON GOD'S LANGUAGE ACCORDING TO GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Mt. 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."
   A. What does your mind think upon?
   B. That which occupies our heart will most control this mind.
   C. Our thoughts follow our affections.

2. Psalms 119:11 "Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee."

3. Psalms 119:15 "I will meditate in thy precepts and have respect unto thy mouth."

4. Psalms 119:97 "O how love I thy law: It is my meditation all the day."

5. Psalms 1:1-4 "(4) The ungodly are not so; but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away."

6. Jos. 1:8 "That thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein."

IV. PRACTICE SPEAKING GOD'S LANGUAGE DAILY. James 2:17,26

Approval must lead to performance, possession follows conduct:
Prov. 6:2, 10:11, 10:19-21, 12:6, 12:18-19, 14:3, 15:1-2, 15:4 15:7, 15:23, 15:26, 16:21, 16:23-24, 18:21, 20:15, 21:23

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# HINDRANCES TO AUTHORITY

- Hosea 4:6 "My people are destroyed for lace of knowledge (of God himself, word, promises)

I. NOT RECOGNIZING MOVING IN SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY IS RIGHT OF ALL BELIEVERS:
- Lk. 10:19 "I give unto you power"

II. NOT DESTROYING ALL DOUBT & UNBELIEF:
II Cor. 10:5 "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."
Continuous as attack

III. GOING BY FEELINGS: Heb. 10:38 "The just shall live by faith."
Not feelings and sight

IV. NOT KNOWING TRUE SOURCE OF AUTHORITY
- Jo. 15:5 "Without me ye can do nothing."

V. HOLDING WEIGHTS AND SINS: Heb. 12:1-2
- Weights hinder in race - require estra room

VI. NOT KNOWING GOD REWARDS THE DILIGENT:
- Heb. 11:6 "Rewarder of them that diligently seek"

VII. NOT MOVING INTO AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY WHILE LEARNING AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER.

- Always in any area of operation the basic principles cannot be ignored.
- So many are searching for the new and exciting revelations until they discontinue the basics and eventually fail

I. THE BASIC STEPS FOR FAITH FOR AUTHORITY

1. Meditation: Jos. 1:8, Ps. 1:1-3 for mind renewal
2. Confession unto: Just knowledge not enough
3. Confession of: 1 & 2 msut go on for days, or weeks or months or even years.
4. Action: Faith for authority is always proved by actions by words and life.
5. Endurance: Heb. 6:15 "After he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise"

II. SATAN WILL CHECK OUT TO DETERMINE THE REALITY - God knows if real and Satan will find out through application of pressure by people or cirucmstance.

- Pressure always exposes weaknesses.

III. NOT UNDERSTANDING VALUE OF CONFIRMATION

1. To you: Confidence as develops
2. To Satan: Establishes your position: Threat
3. To Others: Encourages to be under also

BA108 IN THE NAME OF JESUS

One day a preacher was speaking on the subject of the power of the Name of Jesus Christ. He was using as his text the Scripture, "If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it." Jn. 14:14

A lawyer was sitting in his audience. Upon hearing the preacher's opening remarks, the lawyer became very interested in the legal aspect of the message. He interrupted the preacher with the question: "Do you mean to say that Jesus has given man His power of attorney to use His Name?"

The preacher wisely returned the question with these words: "Sir, you are a lawyer--I am a preacher. Let me ask you that question. Did Jesus give us His power of attorney to use His Name?"

The lawyer replied, "If language means anything, He did precisely that."

Then the preacher asked, "And could you explain just what that power of attorney actually means?"

The lawyer answered, "That depends upon how much there is back of the Name; how much authority; how much power that Name represents."

I. SALVATION: Rom. 10:9 "That if thy shall confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and shall believe in thy heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

II. BAPTISM IN HOLY SPIRIT: Lk. 3:16 "He shall baptize you in the Holy Ghost and with fire"

III. HEALING: Mk. 16:17 "These signs shall follow them that believe, in My Name shall they..."

IV. PRAYER John 16:23-24 "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father, in My Name"

V. DELIVERANCE: Mk. 16:17 "Shall cast out devils"

1. Mt. 1:21 "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins"
2. Mt. 10:22 "And ye shall be hated of all men, for my Name sake, but he that endureth to the end shall be saved."
3. Mt. 18:5 "Whoso shall receive one such little child in My Name receiveth me."
4. Mt. 24:5 "For many shall come in My Name saying I am Christ and shall lead many astray."
5. Mk. 9:39 "For there is no man which shall do a miracle in My Name, that can lightly speak evil of me"
6. Lk. 10:17 "Lord even the demons are subject unto us in Thy Name."
7. Acts 3:6 "In the Name of Jesus of Nazareth rise & walk"
8. Acts 4:18 "Charge them not to speak nor teach at all in the Name of Jesus"
9. Acts 4:30 "That signs & wonders may be done by the Name of the holy child Jesus."
10. Acts 9:16 "For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My Name's sake."
11. Acts 16:18 "I Charge thee in the Name of Jesus to come out of her and it came out that very hour."