



# *Taking Your Dominion Position*

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## ***Introduction***

- ✦ Tonight we are going to talk about God's plan for these last days before His wrath is poured out. And how we play an important role in this last great harvest of souls.
- ✦ We are going to discuss our foundation. Our foundation of faith, of words and of trust in Him.
- ✦ We have spent the last few weeks talking about our words and our level of trust and obedience to Him. These lessons have been building blocks to this lesson.
- ✦ If you haven't studied the Trust & Obey lesson, I strongly encourage you to do so. It is a very important step in what He wants to do in the Earth using us.

## ***Lesson Objectives***

- ✦ In this lesson, we are going to discuss and learn about:
  - ✦ The Father's Desire
  - ✦ Lost Authority
  - ✦ The Plan
  - ✦ It is Finished
  - ✦ Authority Restored
  - ✦ The 18-Inch Drop (Head to Heart)
  - ✦ The Faith Foundation
  - ✦ Hiding Your Life in God
  - ✦ Fully Persuaded
  - ✦ Taking Your Dominion Position

## ***The Father's Desire***

- ✦ Our very existence started deep in the Father's heart. He wanted children that He could shower His love on; that He could walk with day by day; that He could work with to fulfill the many plans He has.
- ✦ We are always on His mind. He is ever-mindful of the smallest details of our lives.
- ✦ The Father is the Creator of all things and He created us! He brought us out of His heart and into the earth to fulfill a specific plan that He has for each and every human being ever conceived in a mother's womb. Each life is so precious to Him!
- ✦ He had a wonderful relationship with Adam and Eve in the garden. No one knows how long it lasted before it fell apart, but while it did last; He would walk and talk with them every day.
- ✦ Genesis 3:8 says ***“And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.”***
- ✦ Sin does that to a person. It makes them hide from God instead of running to Him to get forgiven and set free!

## ***Lost Authority***

- ✦ Let's look at the level of authority that Adam had before the fall.
  - ✦ Genesis 2:15 says ***“And the Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to tend and guard and keep it.”***

- ✦ God put Adam in complete charge of the Garden of Eden. He had to work the garden and he had to guard it. Guard it from what? Satan. God must have told him to be on the lookout for Satan. To keep it says that it was Adam's responsibility. Adam has a position of authority from God over that garden.
- ✦ Genesis 2:16-17 says ***"And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and blessing and calamity you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."***
- ✦ God "commanded" Adam, meaning He set boundaries for Adam to stay within to preserve their relationship.
- ✦ Genesis 2:19 says ***"And out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast and living creature of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them; and whatever Adam called every living creature, that was its name."***
- ✦ God and Adam were working together in creation. God brought the animals to Adam and gave him the authority to name every single one of them! That's what they were called. Meaning, God didn't go behind him and do it Himself. He entrusted that task to Adam. He even named the creature God created for him – Woman. And that is the name for women today.
- ✦ Genesis 2:23-24 says ***"Then Adam said "This [creature] is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of a man. Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall become united and cleave to his wife, and they shall become one flesh."***
- ✦ Adam is prophesying here. His WORDS in this prophesy are still in use today in untold weddings around the world.
- ✦ Adam declared this to be so and it is still so today. Now that is authority!
- ✦ Genesis 3:6 says ***"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and that it was delightful to look at, and a tree to be desired in order to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she gave some also to her husband, and he ate."***
- ✦ You have to wonder "what was Adam thinking?" Why did they need to be wise? They walked every day with the Most High God! Adam was standing right there listening to Satan deceive his wife after God had given him the Garden of Eden to GUARD.
- ✦ At that moment, Satan grabbed Adam's authority. He had tricked Adam into giving up His position of dominion to speak into the universe and the earth in total perfect faith.
- ✦ As we saw in the teaching on words, Adam spoke words to tend the garden, to move mountains and stands of trees. Now that ability was severed because of sin. The requirement to cover sin is blood. The first animals killed were those used to cover Adam and Eve's naked bodies.
- ✦ Now we are back in the Garden in the cool of the day where Adam and Eve have hidden themselves from the Father. What a mess He walked into that day!
- ✦ Everybody involved got cursed by God.
  - ✦ Satan/Serpent has to crawl on his belly and Jesus will crush his head.
  - ✦ Eve's travail in childbirth is greatly increased. Her desire is for her husband and he will rule over her.
  - ✦ Adam had to toil the ground with the sweat of his brow instead of his words. His authority was lost and he was reduced to living totally in the natural realm.

But God had a plan...

## ***The Plan***

- ✦ So the long journey to the Cross began. Down through the ages, God tirelessly worked His plan through men. All through the Word of God is that Scarlet Thread of the Blood of Jesus. The promise of the Messiah. The promise of redemption when men can finally be restored to that relationship lost so long ago.
- ✦ At the appropriate time in history, Jesus came legally into the earth; leaving His Glory behind to take on fragile flesh and blood.
- ✦ He tirelessly and relentlessly displayed the love of the Father to the lost and dying world. Forgiving, delivering and healing as many as came to Him.

## ***It is Finished!***

- ✦ Finally on that Cross, after having fulfilling ALL the requirements the Father had for man's redemption, Jesus said "IT IS FINISHED!" and gave up His Spirit.
- ✦ He completely took our punishment both before and after death. He went to hell for us. But death could not hold Him, so He rose from the grave on that third day and brought His Blood into the Holy of Holies in the Temple of Heaven.
- ✦ He poured the Precious Blood on the Mercy Seat in heaven and our sins were gone! The way was paved for ALL mankind to come to the Father boldly and have the most intimate relationship they can stand!
- ✦ What does the finished work of the Cross entail? It is found in Isaiah 53.
  - ✦ He was despised and rejected and forsaken by men.
  - ✦ He was a man of sorrows and pain (depression and mental illness)
  - ✦ He was acquainted with grief (loss) and sickness
  - ✦ He was considered worthless and valueless
- ✦ What did He pay for?
  - ✦ He bore our grief (sicknesses, weaknesses and distresses)
  - ✦ He carried our sorrows and pains of punishment
  - ✦ He was wounded for our transgressions
  - ✦ He was bruised for our guilt and iniquities
  - ✦ He was chastised for our peace and well-being
  - ✦ He was scourged for our healing and wholeness.
  - ✦ He was oppressed and judged an outcast
  - ✦ What was the result of His sacrifice? Let's finish reading in Isaiah 53:10-12.

## ***Authority Restored***

- ✦ The good news of the Gospel is that we have been restored to the same authority and ability to fellowship with God the Father as Adam had!
- ✦ We avoid the lake of fire yes, but the best part of God's Plan is the restoration of our relationship to Him and that includes the same authority and the same dominion responsibilities.
- ✦ Let's read what the Word of God says about the authority Jesus gave us through His Name and His Blood.
  - ✦ **Matthew 28:18**
  - ✦ **Mark 16:15-20**

- ✦ I Corinthians 15:45-58
- ✦ Colossians 1:13-22
- ✦ Romans 5:12-21
- ✦ Ephesians 6:10-18
- ✦ Ephesians 1:3-14
- ✦ Ephesians 2:4-22
- ✦ What does our authority include?
  - ✦ Power and authority over ALL Satanic activities.
  - ✦ Power and authority to heal the sick and walk in divine health!
  - ✦ Power and authority to raise the dead at the unction of the Holy Spirit!
  - ✦ Power and authority to work hand in hand with God the Father like Adam did to change circumstances to fulfill God's plans!

### ***The 18-Inch Drop***

- ✦ Perry Stone calls it "the 18-inch drop." It seems like such a short distance but it can take a lifetime to achieve for some people.
- ✦ Because we must worship God in spirit and in truth, we can't do it with our intellect. Face it; there is no figuring God out! He's just too big for our finite minds to get around. We must take Him on FAITH.
- ✦ It is possible to get to a place in God where it really doesn't matter what it looks like because you are absolutely convinced that victory is yours. THAT IS CALLED WALKING ON THE WATER!
- ✦ When it drops from "head knowledge" to the heart where faith resides, there is no moving off that belief!

### ***The Faith Foundation***

- ✦ The foundation of our faith walk is built on four elements:
  - ✦ Words (God's Word and our words)
  - ✦ Trust in the Father
  - ✦ Instant Obedience
  - ✦ Immovable Faith
- ✦ We have been studying these elements the past few weeks. They are intertwined into our foundation of dominion.
- ✦ Words are spoken so carelessly and idly without a thought to the consequences of them. Death or life proceeds out of our mouth at any moment.
- ✦ There are two kinds of words that we have to get a handle on if we are going to get into a position of dominion.
  - ✦ The Words of God spoken in FAITH
  - ✦ Our words of FAITH in what we believe
- ✦ Our words must line up with God's words. God's Word must make that 18-inch drop into our spirit to be in a position of dominion.
- ✦ Head knowledge won't cut it. You can't overcome in this world without faith from the heart.
- ✦ Words were used by God to create everything in existence.
- ✦ Words were used by Adam to tend the Garden of Eden.
- ✦ Words are used by US to work with God in this earth to bring His Plans to fulfillment.

- ✦ Words are our tools and our weapons to take dominion; the dominion Jesus paid for.
- ✦ Words are Holy Spirit uttered words or words in our known language. God uses both and He receives both. Each has a purpose.

## ***Trusting The Father***

- ✦ A few weeks ago we discussed the level of our trust of the Father. Let's review the characteristics of a loving earthly father and compare that to our Heavenly Father.

## ***Characteristics of a Loving Father***

- ✦ Let's look at the characteristics of a really good father.
  - ✦ A good father provides for his children. He makes sure they have food, clothes, and a roof over their head.
  - ✦ A good father makes sure his children get medical care when they need it. He sees to their healing.
  - ✦ A good father listens to his children's stories and problems. He listens to their dreams.
  - ✦ A good father loves his children enough to set boundaries and consequences when they disobey. He's not afraid to discipline them.
  - ✦ A good father goes out of his way to give his children the things they really, really want just so he can watch the joy on their face when they get it.
  - ✦ A good father confronts his children when they are wrong. A good father will go after his children when they are in trouble, no matter what he may face when he gets there.
  - ✦ A good father stores up an inheritance for his children so they will be more secure in life after he is gone.
  - ✦ A good father is involved day by day in his children's lives...their whole lives as long as he lives.

## ***Our Heavenly Father—Abba***

- ✦ Our heavenly Father or Abba (daddy) is way more than a "good" father. He is a GREAT Father!
- ✦ He is Jehovah Jireh: Our Provider. He has made provisions for us from the foundation of the world. In everything, He has already provided. (Matthew 6:25-31)
- ✦ He is Jehovah Rapha: Our Healer. By the stripes of Jesus Christ, He purchased our healing from every disease, every wound, and every scrape known to man. (Exodus 15:26)
- ✦ He is our Wonderful Counselor. He is just waiting to listen, I mean really listen to our stories, our problems, and our dreams and wipe away our tears when necessary. (Isaiah 9:6)
- ✦ He is the Judge of the Universe. He disciplines us when we need it, but like a good father, He tempers it with mercy and grace. When we simply turn and repent. He casts it all behind His back...and then He blesses us. (Hebrews 12:6)

- ✦ He gives us the desires of our heart. It is His good pleasure to give us the kingdom. He loves to give us dreams we didn't even ask Him for. Why? So He can see the joy in our face! So He can enjoy our gratitude and thankfulness! (Luke 12:32)
- ✦ He is not afraid to tell us when we are wrong. The conviction of His Spirit comes when our attitude or our words are wrong. When our decisions are crossways with His will for our lives. He will come after us when we fall into trouble. He will do everything He possibly can to save us and bring us back to Him. (Matthew 18:12)
- ✦ Our Father has prepared a place for us with Him in heaven. He has reserved for us many, many rewards, gifts and crowns. (John 14:1-4)
- ✦ He has deposited bountifully into our heavenly bank account with each prayer we pray, each kind word we speak and each kind deed we do for others. We have a goodly inheritance! (II Timothy 4:8)
- ✦ He is ALWAYS there in our everyday lives. Whether we realize it or not, He is there. Watching over us, helping us in unseen ways. Eternity will show us how much He has been there for us! (Deuteronomy 31:6 & Hebrews 13:5)

### ***Examine Yourself: Do I Trust Him?***

- ✦ Ask yourself this:
  - ☒ When you think of God the Father, what do you imagine Him to be like?
  - ☒ Are you more comfortable relating to Jesus than to the Father?
  - ☒ Do you think when you pray to the Father in Jesus' Name, that He is listening to you?
  - ☒ Do you think that God the Father is mad at you or is waiting to punish you? Do you believe He loves you specifically?

### ***Trusting the Father***

- ✦ It is important that your relationship with the Father become intimate. Not just because it will help you in this life to take dominion and be victorious, but that the relationship is so important to the Father!
- ✦ He wants your fellowship not your fear of Him and believing Him to be a big "meanie."
- ✦ Get this one principle, if you get nothing else out of this teaching:
- ✦ GOD IS A GOOD GOD AND THE DEVIL IS A BAD DEVIL!
- ✦ God is the author of life and Satan is the promoter of death and destruction. Don't ever attribute to God, the motives of Satan! It hurts Him! It grieves His Spirit!

### ***Instant Obedience***

- ✦ The Lord gave Pastor Katy a Word a few weeks ago that said "Instant obedience brings instant manifestation."
- ✦ Think about that. The "instant manifestation" part sounds really good, but the "instant obedience" is the tough part!
- ✦ How do we get to that position?
- ✦ Psalm 32:9 says "***Be not like the horse or the mule, which lack understanding, which must have their mouths held firm with bit and bridle, or else they will not come with you.***"

- ✦ A horse and rider who spend lots of time together training will be so in sync, that the horse doesn't need a bit or bridle. Just the gentle pressure of the knee will tell the horse to move in that direction. Instant obedience comes from time spent in His Presence day by day.



- ✦ Instant obedience is attained by time spent in His presence. Getting to know Him. Learning His ways. Hearing His voice.
- ✦ You recognize your spouse's voice because you have spent enough time in his or her presence to RECOGNIZE their voice.
- ✦ Same thing with God, when you spend enough time in His Presence, you will know when He is speaking to you.
- ✦ You will eventually reach the place where He can use you because He trusts that you will obey Him instantly...and He will manifest instantly!

## ***Immovable Faith***

- ✦ What is immovable faith?
  - ✦ Immovable faith is not moved by the circumstance, the winds and the waves contrary to the quest.
  - ✦ Immovable faith is fully persuaded that the victory is at hand.
  - ✦ Immovable faith is prepared to wait as long as it takes.
  - ✦ Immovable faith trusts God implicitly to bring victory.
- ✦ Jesus Christ has immovable faith. ***Isaiah 50:7 says "For the Lord God helps Me; therefore have I not been ashamed or confounded. Therefore have I set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame."***
- ✦ Jesus intimately knew the Father not just because He is God, but because He spent lots of time in the earth praying!
- ✦ Jesus was instantly obedient to the Father's will. That's all He cared about.
- ✦ Jesus' words lined up with the Father's Word – ALWAYS.
- ✦ Jesus knew who He was; He knew His authority level.
- ✦ We too can get to this place. The place where it doesn't matter what it looks like. It doesn't matter what report we get to the contrary. We are convinced that at any moment our victory will come.
- ✦ When Satan sees that he can't move you off your position, he must flee.
- ✦ He won't flee when he hears words like "God isn't listening to me" or "God must be punishing me." Those words tell him you don't trust God's motives towards you. Those words empower Satan and tie God's hands of blessing towards you.
- ✦ Immovable faith does not move to the right or left. It stays the course until victory is achieved.

## ***Hiding Your Life in God***

- ✦ How do we start building a relationship with Abba Father?
  - ☒ Relationships are built on two things:
    - Time
    - Knowledge
  - ☒ Time spent in the Presence of the Father, telling Him your life story, telling Him your dreams, telling Him about your enemies and that one that you are or were in love with, telling Him of all the problems and mountains you are facing. Time just sitting before Him and listening for His thoughts to come to you.
  - ☒ Knowledge comes through time spent with Him. Think about this: your family knows you, your close friends know you because they are in your life regularly. Conversations take place, good memories take place. They have knowledge of your character, your ways, your faults and good traits.
  - ☒ The same thing with Abba Father. You will begin to see His character as you spend more and more time in His Presence. Knowledge comes through His Word. Learning from the Word of His character. You will begin to dwell with God according to knowledge as time goes on.

## ***Fully Persuaded***

- ✦ What is fully persuaded? It is convinced beyond a shadow of a doubt that what God has promised will come to pass.
- ✦ **Romans 4:21 says “Fully satisfied and assured that God was able and mighty to keep His word and to do what He had promised.”**
- ✦ **II Timothy 1:12 says “And this is why I am suffering as I do. Still I am not ashamed, for I know (perceive, have knowledge of, and am acquainted with) Him Whom I have believe, and I am positively persuaded that He is able to guard and keep that which has been entrusted to me and which I have committed to Him until that day.”**
- ✦ The Apostle Paul took his dominion position. He spent his entire Christian walk working WITH God to advance the kingdom of God.
- ✦ He was fully persuaded that all the blood, sweat and tears he poured out over the Church would be sustained by Him...and guess what? It WAS and IS!

## ***Take Your Dominion Position***

- ✦ What does “dominion position” mean?
  - ☒ The dominion position is the place of maturity in the Lord where He can use you to work WITH Him to advance the Kingdom. Just like Adam worked with God, He wants to use us to do that too. We must be about our Father’s business.
  - ☒ All of the things we’ve talked about tonight are conditions that we need to achieve to get to the place where our faith is immovable, our words line up with His Word, we trust Him implicitly and we are instantly obedient.
- ✦ Taking dominion is choosing to appropriate everything that Jesus Christ did on the Cross to walk in a position of dominion and authority that Adam did before the fall.
- ✦ It is a narrow road to walk. God must be a passion for you. It is a sacrificial walk. The cares of this life must be left behind. It must all be counted as dung.

- ✦ Don't get me wrong. This position is not a requirement for heaven. God loves you no matter what level you choose to walk in on this earth. He will use you at whatever level you are at.
- ✦ He has many, many doors of opportunities to be a blessing in the earth.
- ✦ Know this: whatever level of dominion you choose to walk in; you have the authority in Jesus' Name to overcome ALL the power of the enemy! You really don't have to take anything from him.

### ***Go Ye Into All the World!***

- ✦ Let God use you through whatever means He wants to bring people in to the kingdom!
- ✦ The last great end time harvest season is white unto harvest! The Lord of the Harvest is calling His laborers to the fields!
- ✦ Show the love of God! Preach the gospel, pray in the lost, disciple new believers! Give to help missionaries and the local church!
- ✦ Everyone can do something to advance the Kingdom of God. Ask Him what He wants YOU to do!

### ***Conclusion***

- ✦ It is my prayer that this teaching will find fertile soil in your hearts tonight. Yes God wants YOU to work with Him in the earth, but more than that, He wants more and more intimacy with you.
- ✦ As you begin to establish your dominion position, you will find a whole new world opening up to you.
- ✦ It can only increase dramatically your anointing and your passion for God!