



HOME CELL TEACHING
DISTRICT 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5
21st July 2010

WELCOME

Warmly greet each other and enjoy an icebreaker of your choice.

WORSHIP

During your worship time allow time for the Holy Spirit to use people in the gifts of the Spirit eg: Tongues and interpretations of prophecy; be sensitive to what the Holy Spirit is showing you concerning the needs of the people and what you need to do.
Encourage the people to exercise the gifts of the spirit.

OFFERING

Do an offering of your choice, delegate someone for next week.

NB: Remember to share with your people the purpose of **cell offering**. It is used to meet the needs of the poor in our communities.

WORD

Reach one for Christ - are you reaching one for Christ. Who is your one?

The Undiscovered Authority of the Believer

As born again believers we have the authority of God invested in us. Many believers just accept what the devil throws at them. I believe there are lots of things that we do not have to put up with, if we have a revelation of the authority with God that was placed in us.

James 4 v 7

Submit yourselves to God's authority, resist the devil and he will flee from you.

1. **Authority is delegated power:**

Meaning; That which belongs to someone else, is given to you

Example: A traffic officer cannot stop traffic on his own strength or his own identity, but when he puts on his uniform, that's when he is identified by the City Council. He has the full backing of the Government, he has authority.

a) Authority does not come from us, it comes from God.

Ephesians 6 v 10

Be strong in the Lord, in the power of His might, putting on the armor of God.
Like the Traffic Officer, put on God's armor.

1 Samuel 17 v 38 to 44

2. **Authority rests on the power behind the authority**

Luke 10 v 1 and v 17

I give you power, I give you authority, and that authority is backed up by the power and authority of the Name of Jesus.

The authority of Jesus has absolutely mastered over demonic forces and over all the strength and ability of the enemy.....

- a) God's authority is unmovable and unchangeable. God has not lost His power.
- b) God's power and authority has not moved, but many have moved away from that authority.
- c) God will not alter His Word – God is established forever.

3. **We must know what authority we have as believers.**

If you don't know about the authority you have, the devil will seek to devour you.

1 Peter 5 v 8

The devil is seeking whom he may devour, he plots against you and if you are ignorant of your authority in Jesus, he will devour your life.

a) **You have to know your rights**

Know what belongs to you

Hosea 4 v 6

My people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge

- b) If you are ignorant about what belongs to you, the devil will steal it from you.

4. **You have to exercise your authority.**

It does help if you have authority, but don't fail to exercise it in your life.

- a) We exercise authority by the Words of our mouths.

Your mouth has the ability to get results, either positive or negative results

Proverbs 18 v 21

Death and life is in the power of the tongue

Hebrews 4 v 12

The two edged sword

Our attitude towards the Word of God will determined the place that God's authority hold in our lives.

Matthew 16 v 19

Whatever you allow to be permissible on earth, the same will be permissible in heaven.

Likewise, whatever you bind or declare unlawful on earth, the same will be bound in heaven.

- b) The Word of God spoken by the believers, and believed in the heart, is a two edged sword
You must claim your authority you have in Christ by releasing the Word of God.
Walk around your house, speak the Word over your family, your finances, and over your health.

WORKS

1. Submit yourselves to God's authority
2. You must declare your authority.