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**Authority with Power**

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"Spiritual Authority and Spiritual Power—good partners to have"

I invested 14 years of my life in law enforcement. I was first hired in 1989 by the Cob County Police Department in Georgia. Not long after that I sought out and was accepted for employment with the Tulsa Police Department in Oklahoma, my home state. In September 2003, the Lord released me from my law enforcement assignment and placed me in full time ministry at Faith Fellowship Church as senior pastor.

Enough of my "bio"—here's my point: God taught me many practical lessons as a police officer to further prepare me for pastoral ministry in the local church. One of the lessons was concerning authority and power. I would like to share this lesson with you. Maybe it will help you in your spiritual growth. Here's the lesson.

Authority over an adversary is only effective when it lies outside one's self. In other words, the authority I had to subdue hardened criminals—sometimes very big and mean criminals—came from the entire community, state, and nation I served and was displayed in a little, shining badge I pinned over my heart. When I approached someone who was doing wrong, I didn't attempt to apprehend him by my own authority. I wasn't there by the authority of my college degree. I wasn't there by the authority of my right to vote. I wasn't there by the authority of my physical demeanor. I'm of average size and not very scary looking. (Ok—I'm of average size). I was able to subdue the criminal because I was there by the authority of the law. And the criminal had to succumb to that authority or suffer dire consequences.

Now allow me use that lesson as a spiritual application. As a believer in Jesus Christ I have authority over His enemies of the Cross. As you know, there is still a spiritual war being waged in the unseen heavenlies. The Apostle Paul speaks about the "principalities and powers in the heavenlies" in his letters to the Ephesians and Colossians. He tells them (and us) to "put on the full armour of Christ" to combat the unseen enemies that are very real in their attempt to thwart the church. If Christians—every

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Christian—attempts to resist these demonic forces by their own authority, they lose. On the other hand, if the children of light will stand in the authority of Jesus Christ, they will overcome the enemies of Jesus and the church every time. Jesus guarantees the victory because He is raised from the dead, alive, and living with the Father in heaven. The Father has given Him "all authority" and Jesus gives His authority to the church (Christians). That is why we are commanded in scripture to pray, speak, and live in the authority of Jesus by saying, "I claim this in the name of Jesus." I stand here in the authority of Jesus Christ. He's the Victor, and I have the victory in Jesus' name!

There is one final word that you should know. Sometimes the criminal, or criminals, I was sent to apprehend didn't want to comply with my requests. In those situations I always called for a "backer." At my request on the radio, any number of my brothers and sisters would come from all directions to help me. And Tulsa has a good size department with the Tulsa County Sheriff's Office, and Oklahoma

Highway Patrol to help when needed. This help was in addition to my police authority to apprehend the unruly. It was POWER sent to help me. Here's the spiritual application: When circumstances seem overwhelming in your life you can get help. You don't have to face it alone. The Holy Spirit has been sent from the Father and the Son to help the saints of God, especially in prayer. The Bible says that the Holy Spirit helps us when we don't know how or what we should pray for. If you will call on Him, He will come to you with His POWER and lift you high above the circumstances. You can't lose with God! You have the authority of Jesus' name and the power of the Holy Spirit on request to help you. That is why the Bible says that if God is for us, then who can be against us? Stand strong against your adversaries and unjust circumstances in life by the authority of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Keep the faith. Stay the course. Pray always in the Holy Spirit. And remember, JESUS IS COMING SOON!! Pastor T.

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### **Ten Tips on Speaking with Authority and Power**

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No matter how good you are as a presenter, there will be times when you need to make sure you exude power and authority. If you are 'the boss' and want to be certain the staff will do your bidding you will need to come across with power and authority. You will also have to come across authoritatively when presenting at a large conference when your competitors will also be present. Equally you will need to be seen as powerful if you are wishing to make a name for yourself within your industry. However, even though you may want power and authority in these settings, you will not wish to appear arrogant or bossy. Using these ten tips you'll achieve the right balance.

1. Think the part!

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If you believe you have the power and authority to say what you are saying this will help tremendously. You really need to see yourself as brimming with power, authority and gravitas.

### 2. Dress the part!

Powerful people wear powerful clothes. They appear smart, even in casual wear. They take care of their appearance and generally look good. Purple and blue are seen as powerful colours by an audience.

### 3. Speak the part!

Use power language. Don't say 'perhaps' or 'maybe' be certain. Powerful and authoritative people speak with absolute certainty - even if they are not really sure.

### 4. Act the part!

When you are on stage stand up straight, look people in the eye and dominate your stage with definite and decisive gestures.

### 5. Move

Move around your stage. Start off in the centre front and then move so you cover a lot of ground. Static presenters are not seen as authoritative.

### 6. Create powerful associations.

Link yourself to other powerful and authoritative people by agreeing with what they say. Use quotations if necessary.

### 7. Be short and sweet

Speak with short sentences and leave pauses for people to absorb what you have said. Long, convoluted language makes you appear unintelligible and therefore you have no power or influence.

### 8. Have a stunning opening

Start with a dynamic and interesting opening that connects with your audience immediately. Mention them, use a personal anecdote or ask a question.

### 9. Power pack your ending

Make sure your ending is power-packed. Like a great overture you need to end with a rousing crash! To do this, summarise what you have said and then give your audience an action you need them to take.

### 10. Stand still at the end

When you have delivered your final words - stand still, centre stage looking your audience in the eye. Stay there and pause for several seconds before leaving the stage.

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