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Have you wondered what is going on around us? The world is in havoc, people are getting murdered, raped etc. What is going on? It seems that the world is getting more evil each day. People may wonder were God is in all this, why He doesn't do something about all this. Marriages are on the brink of extinction, men lust more now than ever before, women are trapped in all kinds of bondages and pastors and church leaders do not know what to tell us. At the one side they are proclaiming a total victory. Christ defeated sin and satan at the cross . He took away all satans power which he took from Adam in the beginning. He made the enemy nothing. Jesus did come and He did defeat satan on the cross.

Colossians 2:15 (New International Version)

15And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.[a]

Colossians 2:15 (Amplified Bible)

15[God] disarmed the principalities and powers that were ranged against us and made a bold display and public example of them, in triumphing over them in Him and in it [the cross].

Colossians 2:15 (King James Version)

15And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing

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over them in it.

Colossians 2:15 (The Message)

11-15 Entering into this fullness is not something you figure out or achieve. It's not a matter of being circumcised or keeping a long list of laws. No, you're already in—insiders—not through some secretive initiation rite but rather through what Christ has already gone through for you, destroying the power of sin. If it's an initiation ritual you're after, you've already been through it by submitting to baptism. Going under the water was a burial of your old life; coming up out of it was a resurrection, God raising you from the dead as he did Christ. When you were stuck in your old sin-dead life, you were incapable of responding to God. God brought you alive—right along with Christ! Think of it! All sins forgiven, the slate wiped clean, that old arrest warrant canceled and nailed to Christ's cross. He stripped all the spiritual tyrants in the universe of their sham authority at the Cross and marched them naked through the streets.

So Jesus already defeated him 2000 years ago, but why then still all this havoc, well my dear friend the Lord said that we must take up our authority in Christ and make the enemy a stool for His feet.

□ *Parallel Translations of Hebrews 10:13*

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Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool,

New Living Translation (©2007)

There he waits until his enemies are humbled and made a footstool under his feet.

English Standard Version (©2001)

waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet.

New American Standard Bible (©1995)

waiting from that time onward UNTIL HIS ENEMIES BE MADE A FOOTSTOOL FOR HIS FEET

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The Lord is waiting for us to make the enemy a footstool for His feet. Most people think that demons died with the dinosaurs , denying that they even existed. This is exactly the same as if we go to Israel with a Palestine poster on our back. Do you think they will leave you alone? NO, if we as men of God stop with our sinful pleasures and self justifications and start living on Gods standards we can start to exercise our authority over the enemy and his demons, start chasing them out of our marriages , families , finances etc. If you don't think you need to walk in your spiritual armour daily and don't believe in these creatures, how then will you walk in total victory Christ already gave us. We need to learn how to take up our authority against the enemy and Stand firm against him and all his schemes. The only way we can do that is spending time with God and practising praying daily. Worshiping the Lord proclaiming His victory in our lives and not proclaiming the lies of circumstances we may see happening around us.

The only authority the enemy may get now is more less the same as what Adam and Eve gave him at beginning when they believed his lies and sinned against God. So what you do and the choices you make in your daily life can give the enemy doors of authority in your life. So start by asking the Lord were there is a gap or a door that is still open in your life and God will reveal this to you. Repent it as sin and strive daily to get far away from it as possible. Jesus came to give us a life of abundance and not to kill, enslave or destroy. Again the choice is up to you. Just think how the world can change when we start to step into our Roles of ambassadors of God and start realising His victory in this natural realm. It can and will happen.

This is the enemy after Jesus defeated him at the cross. Nothing!

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And this is him when we give him place in our lives. Oops



Let us start walking in Victory and get rid of all the sin that enfolds us..

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Colossians 3:7-9

You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices

Ephesians 4:25-27

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold.

Ephesians 4:31-32

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

James 1: 17-20

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Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created. My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for man's anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

2 Timothy 2:23-24

Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels. And the Lord's servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful

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