

# God's Forever Plan for His Church Victory

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You may be terrified to even read about the demonic world; if so you might be able to gain a lot of knowledge by reading Jesus' teachings in His Word. The Bible answer is to commit forever to Jesus Christ—by walking in His Spirit—not in the flesh!

These Scripture references can actually give you (yes you!) all the power you need to defeat any force which can destroy you, even though you may already be captured by these entities. They were around in Adam and Eve's day and they were around all during Bible times. Yes, even throughout the Church Age...and especially during the Seven Years of Tribulation! In denial? Read and study your Bible. I recommend you begin with the book of Revelation because there's not much time left!

In Luke 10, Jesus teaches His disciples how to cast out devils. He assures us, even though demons can infiltrate anyone who has not committed to Christ—and some who have can be terrorized, all can be freed. So, we need to learn from the Word of God how to minister healing to those who are oppressed or possessed of bad spirits.

<sup>17</sup>And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.  
<sup>18</sup>And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. ***<sup>19</sup>Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.***  
<sup>20</sup>***Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.*** <sup>21</sup>***In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight*** (Luke 10: 17-21).

After Jesus' teaching His disciples the ministry of deliverance, they returned to Him in a spirit of joy proclaiming that the demons were subject to them just as Jesus said. And that power for deliverance is available to all Christians everywhere throughout the end of time. Then Jesus said, ***"I saw Satan falling like lightning."*** In the Spirit Jesus saw the miracles to come as His disciples ministered by His authority! And that would be the calling forever, for all His people from that point on, even to the end. Then He said to them,

Then He turned to His disciples and said, ***"Blessed are the eyes which see things as ye see: for I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them."*** (Luke 10: 23-24).

Satan's forces were defeated over and over again. Jesus' remarks kept the disciples' ministry in good perspective, as He shared their joy in learning to finish God's work, confirming they had won significant victories over the demonic forces.

Jesus gave His disciples all the power they need to defeat Satan and all his horde of demons!. They cannot invade that which is owned by our Lord Jesus Christ. He is the Lord of lords and the King of kings. He is the beginning and the end, and the Head of the Church; He is The Rock, The Faithful and True Witness; and much, much more! The serpents and scorpions mentioned by Jesus, are terms which represent dangerous demonic spirits, and are mentioned often during the seven year tribulation period. Do not be misled for He knows the horrors of this age that lead into that period of 7 years that has never before and never will happen again. Referring to the Tribulation Period and all its terrors (Revelation Chapters 6 - 22), Jesus tells us this will be the absolute worst time in the history of the world. Check your heart because you surely do not want to be left behind.

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