



AUTHORITY FOR THE CALL BY SHAUN HICKEY

"I AM has sent me to you."

(Exodus 3:14)

There can be times in our walk where feelings of inadequacy creep into our thinking. When such feelings take hold, our faith starts to suffer, and the advancement of our Heavenly Call is greatly hindered.

I can clearly remember one occasion where deep feelings of inadequacy afflicted me as I walked through the *refining fire* of the Holy Spirit. Although I was being greatly liberated through the love and power of Jesus Christ, the demonic warfare that attacked me through this gruelling process had taken its toll and I was feeling tired, defeated, and unworthy. These feelings really enhanced one evening while hosting a healing meeting.

I had invited my mentor to preach/minister. I was battle weary as I sat in my seat, and with a heavy heart I cried out to God, *"I am not worthy if this. How am I ever going to make it? Who am I Jesus?"*

As I wrestled with this internal struggle, I opened my Bible and this scripture was revealed to me:

EXODUS 3:7-14 *And the LORD said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. ⁸ So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. ⁹ Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt."*

¹¹ *But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"*

¹² *So He said, "I will certainly be with you. And this shall be a sign to you that I have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."*

¹³ *Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?"*

¹⁴ *And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"*

These powerful verses, along with the witness of the Holy Spirit, instantly transformed my thinking and has empowered my life going forward.

GOD WAS SPEAKING DIRECTLY TO MOSES ABOUT THE PURPOSE OF HIS LIFE:

- *"I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt..."* (Verse 7)
- *"Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt"* (Verse 10).

MOSES KNEW HIS FAILURE:

- **HE HAD KILLED A PERSON:** *"Now it came to pass in those days, when Moses was grown, that he went out to his brethren and looked at their burdens. And he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his brethren. ¹²So he looked this way and that way, and when he saw no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand"* (Exodus 2:11-12)
- **MOSES HAD RUN FROM HIS PURPOSE:** *"When Pharaoh heard of this matter, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from the face of Pharaoh and dwelt in the land of Midian; and he sat down by a well."* (Exodus 2:15)
- **MOSES SPENT THE NEXT 40 YEARS HIDING IN THE WILDERNESS:** This would be enough to drain anyone of their worth, hope, and desires.

IDENTITY CRISIS:

After experiencing such failure and wilderness living, Moses now wrestled with his identity, and doubting his worth in God, he made this heartfelt statement:

- *"**Who am I** that I should go to Pharaoh, and that I should bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"* (Exodus 3:11).

WHO AM I?

This was the same question I had been asking God when deep feelings of inadequacy were drowning me: **"Who am I?"**

But when we refer to the Scripture, God never addressed Moses as to *'who he was'*. Instead He made this clear statement: **"I will certainly be with you..."** (Exodus 3:12).

The dialogue between God and Moses continued:

"Then Moses said to God, 'Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?'"
¹⁴ *And God said to Moses, "**I AM WHO I AM.**" And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, '**I AM** has sent me to you.'"*

Basically, the interpretation I received from the Holy Spirit that evening was...

God: *"I have a mighty purpose for you."*

Moses: *"Who am I, I am unworthy?"*

God: *"I will be with you."*

Moses: *"Who am I? What do I have to offer?"*

God: *"I AM! Tell Them I AM!"*

Moses was struggling with identity and looking *inwardly* to find value. But it was clearly revealed he was not to look within himself or base the right to step into the call of God on his own self-evaluation. He was to keep his focus solely on God ("*I AM*").

Too often we look *within* to see if we have what it takes to serve God, but this is wrong. Like Moses, we need to take the focus off our ability *and failures*, and yield ourselves fully over to God, so *He* can fulfil the mighty purposes He has for us.

"Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the LORD of hosts."
(Zechariah 4:6)

Whenever you feel your struggling with self-worth, Look Up! - "*Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith*" (Hebrews 12:2) - Because your victory is no longer based on *your* ability, it is purely based on *His* ability.

SIDE NOTE: *We are told to look-up, but this does not mean God denies your worth:*

- *Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows"* (Matthew 10:31).
- *"But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶ and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast"* (Ephesians 2:4-9).

DECISION TIME:

Regardless of his past, and current identity issue, Moses received a commission from God to, **Return to Egypt and lead God's people out of bondage.**

Moses now had a decision to make. Was he going to revert to an internal place of failed identity, or was he going to *trust God* at His word and *step forward* and *do something*, knowing "*I AM*" was *with Him*?

"I AM!"

"*I AM*" is translated from the word "*Yahweh*," which is the most Majestic and Exalted name of God - English Bibles refer to "*Yahweh*" as "*LORD*".

In Jewish tradition, the name "*Yahweh*" was regarded as to sacred a name to mention, and was referred to as "*The Unutterable Name*," or "*The Holy Name*."

"*Yahweh*" or "*I AM*" speaks of the God who always was, always is, and who is to come:

- *"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."* (Revelation 1:8)
- *"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last."* (Revelation 1:11)
- *"Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. ¹⁸ I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death"* (Revelation 1:17-18).

AUTHORITY ON DISPLAY - "I AM":

The Great "**I AM**" commissioned Moses, and had promised to be with him always, but Moses still had to *trust* the words "**I AM**" had spoken, then respond through obedience by taking action - **Moses had to demonstrate his faith by physically heading back to Egypt.**

It is then through the succeeding chapters we see Moses, and "**I AM**", working together in a true demonstration of **AUTHORITY** where mighty miracles took place.

As Moses stepped forward in faith, "**I AM**" backed up **His word** with **AUTHORITY**:

- **FIRST PLAGUE: WATER TURNED TO BLOOD** (Exodus 7:15-25)
- **SECOND PLAGUE: FROGS** (Exodus 8:1-15)
- **THIRD PLAGUE: LICE** (Exodus 8:16-19)
- **FOURTH PLAGUE: FLIES** (Exodus 8:20-32)
- **FIFTH PLAGUE: LIVESTOCK DISEASED** (Exodus 9:1-7)
- **SIXTH PLAGUE: BOILS** (Exodus 9:8-12)
- **SEVENTH PLAGUE: HAIL** (Exodus 9:13-35)
- **EIGHTH PLAGUE: LOCUSTS** (Exodus 10:1-20)
- **NINTH PLAGUE: DARKNESS** (Exodus 10:21-29)
- **DEATH OF FIRST BORN ANNOUNCED** (Exodus 11)

In each of these miraculous displays of **AUTHORITY**, God told Moses what to do. Then when Moses obeyed, "**I AM**" backed up the word He commanded Moses to speak.

"I AM" WORKED WITH MOSES, RELEASING GREAT AUTHORITY:

- "**I AM**" gave the command
- Moses obeyed "**I AM**"
- "**I AM**" then backed up His word, staying **with** Moses the whole time
- "**I AM**" released the **AUTHORITY** for signs, wonders, and miracles to take place
- There was a mighty breakthrough and an entire nation was redeemed.

NOTE: IF MOSES HAD STAYED IN THE DESERT, NOTHING WOULD HAVE HAPPENED!

Moses was commissioned by "**I AM**" and had to believe every word that He spoke. Moses needed faith that whatever he did in obedience, "**I AM**" would back him up by releasing the **AUTHORITY** to perform His word.

Do you believe that the same power, and God (the Great "**I AM**"), who was with Moses, is with you today?

JESUS CHRIST IS THE GREAT "I AM"

JESUS REFERRED TO HIMSELF AS "I AM":

"Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷ Then the Jews said to Him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, **I AM**" (John 8:56-58).

Jesus made a clear, strong, and definitive statement, "*before Abraham was, **I AM.***" In doing so, Jesus was declaring to the Jewish people:

- He was the Almighty “I AM” that commissioned Moses (Exodus 3:14)
- He was the True Jehovah, Yahweh, LORD, Most Holy and Eternal God, *who was* well before Abraham even existed
- He *was* before creation (John 1:2-3); the Alpha and Omega (Revelation 1:8)
- He was Saviour (1 John 4:14), Mediator (1 Timothy 2:5), Deliverer (Colossians 1:13-14), Redeemer (Galatians 4:1-7)
- He was the Eternal Son of God (John 3:16-17), Immanuel “*God with us*” (Matthew 1:23).

This was a powerful declaration from Jesus; He was the Christ, the Son of God, the Great “I AM”, and through this truth we can have faith that everything “I AM” (Jesus) did with Moses - the miraculous signs and wonders, the protection, power and *AUTHORITY* - is still possible, and available today.

LET’S TAKE A LOOK:

The Word of God *proves*:

- Jesus (“I AM”) has *all AUTHORITY*
- Jesus demonstrated His *AUTHORITY* in miraculous ways.

When Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River, the Holy Spirit descended upon Him. Jesus was then led by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness where He was tempted by the devil for forty-days. Once this time of testing had finished, Jesus then returned in the *power* of the Holy Spirit, where He entered a synagogue, opened the Scriptures, and declared:

“The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; ¹⁹ to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD” (Luke 4:18-19).

JESUS THEN PROVED THIS TRUTH BY DEMONSTRATING HIS AUTHORITY AND POWER:

AUTHORITY OVER DEMONS:

*“Then He went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and was teaching them on the Sabbaths. ³² And they were astonished at His teaching, for His word was with authority. ³³ Now in the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴ saying, ‘Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!’ ³⁵ But Jesus rebuked him, saying, ‘Be quiet, and come out of him!’ And when the demon had thrown him in their midst, it came out of him and did not hurt him. ³⁶ Then they were all amazed and spoke among themselves, saying, ‘What a word this is! **For with authority and power He commands the unclean spirits, and they come out.**’ ³⁷ And the report about Him went out into every place in the surrounding region”* (Luke 4:31-37).

AUTHORITY OVER SICKNESS & FEVER (SIMON’S MOTHER IN-LAW):

*“Now He arose from the synagogue and entered Simon’s house. But Simon’s wife’s mother was sick with a high fever, and they made request of Him concerning her. ³⁹ So **He stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her.** And immediately she arose and served them”* (Luke 4:38-39).

AUTHORITY OVER CIRCUMSTANCES:

*"When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, 'Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.'⁵ But Simon answered and said to Him, 'Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; **nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.'**⁶ **And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking"** (Luke 5:4-6).*

AUTHORITY OVER NATURE:

*"On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, 'Let us cross over to the other side.'³⁶ Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him.³⁷ And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling.³⁸ But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, 'Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?'³⁹ Then **He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace, be still!' And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.**⁴⁰ But He said to them, 'Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?'⁴¹ **And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"** (Mark 4:35-41)*

AUTHORITY TO FORGIVE SIN AND TO HEAL:

*"So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city.² Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, 'Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you.'³ And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, 'This Man blasphemes!'⁴ But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, 'Why do you think evil in your hearts?⁵ For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'?⁶ **But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins'**—then He said to the paralytic, 'Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house.'⁷ And he arose and departed to his house.⁸ **Now when the multitudes saw it, they marvelled and glorified God, who had given such power to men"** (Matthew 9:1-8).*

"He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,¹⁴ in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins" (Colossians 1:13-14)

JESUS TAUGHT WITH AUTHORITY:

*"For He taught them as one having **authority**, and not as the scribes" (Matthew 7:29).*

JESUS HAS BEEN GIVEN ALL AUTHORITY:

*"And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.⁹ **Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,¹¹ and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father"** (Philippians 2:8-11).*

*"And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, '**All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.**'" (Matthew 28:18)*

PERSONAL TESTIMONY - JESUS IS AUTHORITY:

Several years ago I had a hernia that required surgery, and during the operation I had an *intensive* encounter with Jesus Christ where I found myself standing at the bottom of a very large, wide and high staircase that came to a point at the top. At the top of this staircase was the presence of absolute *Glory* that I believe was the *Glory* of God the Father. Standing halfway up the staircase between me and this radiating *Glory* was Jesus Christ.

There are several things I could share about this encounter with Jesus, but one life changing reality I want to get across is this: The *Living Presence* that filled the room was nothing short of One Hundred Percent undefiled **AUTHORITY**. It was an **AUTHORITY** that I had never experienced before and **AUTHORITY** that I cannot accurately describe in words. All I can say is the **AUTHORITY** present with Jesus Christ was intensely alive, undefiled, unblemished, unchallengeable, completely pure, all-powerful, and undeniably terrifying. It was a *living intensity* that consumed the depths of my soul, and so powerful and real that it was exploding through the walls that were trying to contain it.

The AUTHORITY of Jesus Christ would be more powerful than all the military forces in the world combined and is enough to kill anyone. I knew I could not stand there if it was not for the mercy, and grace that comes through the blood of Jesus Christ.

This encounter shook me for several days, and I continually trembled within as I tried to discern what had happened. Then after a few days seeking answers, the Lord confirmed this was a *real* encounter I had had with Him, and not a false imagination.

I share this encounter because it is especially important that we know the reality of who Jesus Christ is. **He is Living AUTHORITY!** And the **AUTHORITY** He has, is available to every believer who *obeys* His command.

HOW DOES THIS AFFECT US TODAY?

AUTHORITY FOR THE CALL:

QUICK RECAP:

- *The Great "I AM" commissioned Moses to "Go" to Egypt.*
- *"I AM" assured Moses He would be with him.*
- *As Moses went out in obedience, "I AM" went with him.*
- *When Moses obeyed the commands he was given, "I AM" worked with him, releasing His power and AUTHORITY to bring about miraculous signs and wonders.*
- *The whole nation of Israel was delivered.*

NOW LET US LOOK AT THE GREAT COMMISSION:

MARK 16:15-20 *"And He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷And these signs will follow those who believe: **In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; ¹⁸they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.'***

*¹⁹So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰And they went out and preached everywhere, **the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs.** Amen."*

- Jesus commanded the Disciples to **"Go into all the world..."**
- Jesus said, **"signs will follow those who believe"** (when they Go)
- The Disciples **"went out and preached everywhere"**
- **"The Lord working with them, confirming the word through the accompanying signs."**

AUTHORITY IN THE NAME OF JESUS:

JOHN 14:12-14 *“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³ And **whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.”***

MARK 16:17 *“In My name they will...”*

- Cast out demons
- Speak with new tongues
- Take up serpents, and If they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them (Promise of protection)
- They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.

ACTS 3:6-8 *“Then Peter said, ‘Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: **In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.**’ ⁷ And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. ⁸ So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God.”*

ACTS 16:17-18 *“This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, ‘These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation.’ ¹⁸ And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, ‘**I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.**’ And he came out that very hour.”*

DO YOU BELIEVE WHAT JESUS PROMISED? THAT HE WILL BE WITH YOU, AS YOU GO, AND YOU WILL SEE MIRACLES!

MATTHEW 28:18-20 *“And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, ‘**All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.**’ Amen”*

- Jesus has all **AUTHORITY**
- Jesus commands us to **“GO”**
- Jesus promises **“I am with you always.”**
- When you **“Go,”** the **AUTHORITY** of Jesus (**“I AM”**) will be released.

STEP-OUT AND SEE:

We can stand around talking about **AUTHORITY**, and spend every day preaching about **AUTHORITY**, but it is only through **“stepping out”** or in the **“Go therefore”** that the **AUTHORITY** of Jesus Christ is released.

- *It was only when Moses stepped out in obedience and faith, that **“I AM”** (Jesus) released his **AUTHORITY***
- *When we **“step out”** in obedience and faith - Jesus releases his **AUTHORITY!***

WHERE ARE WE AT TODAY?

Let us return to the book of Exodus (Chapter 14).

Israel had been delivered from slavery in Egypt. But the LORD had hardened Pharaoh's heart and he was in pursuit of Israel once again.

When Israel arrived at the Red Sea they turned and saw the Egyptians pursuing them and great terror came upon Israel because they had nowhere to run. So, they cried out to Moses:

"Then they said to Moses, 'Because there were no graves in Egypt, have you taken us away to die in the wilderness? Why have you so dealt with us, to bring us up out of Egypt? ¹² Is this not the word that we told you in Egypt, saying, 'Let us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than that we should die in the wilderness'" (Exodus 14:11-12).

Moses replied:

*"And Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid. **Stand still**, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever. ¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace'" (Exodus 14:13-14).*

Moses commanded the people to "**Stand still**", and they would see the salvation of the LORD. But what did the LORD have to say about this "**Stand still**" statement?

*"And the LORD said to Moses, '**Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward.** ¹⁶ But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea'" (Exodus 14:16).*

Moses is telling the people to "Stand still", but the LORD is commanding them to "Go forward."

How often do we misinterpret the Scripture, "*Be still, and know that I am God*" (Psalm 46:10)?

It was not until Moses stretched out his hand in faith, commanding the children of Israel to "*Go forward*" that the LORD released His *AUTHORITY* and power for the miraculous and parted the Red Sea, enabling Israel to pass through on dry ground.

STANDING STILL WAS NEVER GOING TO MOVE THE HAND OF GOD:

Many sectors of the church are at a standstill, waiting for God to come and move in their communities with revival power. They have been blinded by the enemy as to the power and *AUTHORITY* that Jesus has ready to release upon a darkened world.

For too long we have misapplied Psalm 46:10 "*Be still, and know that I am God*". We have been standing still for such a long time that many have fallen asleep, become complacent, and even died in their faith, all while "*Standing still*" ...*waiting...waiting...waiting* on Jesus to do something.

However, just like the Great "*I AM*" commanded Moses "*Go, and I will be with you*", **so He has commanded us.**

Jesus is now waiting on our obedience to "*Go forward*", and *then* we will see a true demonstration of His miraculous power and *AUTHORITY*.

- You are not anointed with *POWER* to stand still
- His *AUTHORITY* comes when you *STEP OUT*
- Jesus releases *AUTHORITY* when you *STEP OUT* in faith.

A COUPLE MARKET-PLACE TESTIMONIES...

The Lord has led me into numerous situations where He proved His *AUTHORITY* and power through a willingness to step out in faith.

Wrist Healed: A person was suffering from an injured wrist due to overuse. He was in *considerable* pain and I could see the discouragement and frustration weighing heavily upon him. So, what was I supposed to do? Leave him in pain, or believe what God was instilling into me; that if I were willing to *step out* in faith, He was with me and would release His *AUTHORITY* and power to bring forth the breakthrough.

I stepped out in faith, talking hold of the damaged wrist, and prayed. I then left, leaving the results to God, as my immediate focus was just getting back to *stepping forward* in faith.

The next day when I contacted this person, I asked how everything was going. His reply was, *"My wrist is healed. From the moment you prayed I started feeling a burning sensation on my wrist, and it started to heal from that point."*

Praise Jesus! Through *stepping out* in faith, Jesus released His *AUTHORITY*, which brought the healing.

Knee Injury: One morning I came across a man and his son before a rugby game. The man informed me his son was not playing that day as he had a knee injury and could not run. Then without hesitation I reached down and placed my hand on his son's knee and simply said, *"Holy Spirit."* The father's immediate response was, *"Are you healing his knee?"*, and without thinking I simply said, *"Yes I am."* We then we parted ways.

About an hour later while still at the playing fields I heard someone call my name. When I turned around it was this excited man pointing, saying, *"Look, look, look!"* He was giving me the *'thumbs up,'* while pointing at his son, and knee. I then witnessed his son running around the rugby field with no issue in his knee and was warming up to play his game of rugby.

Praise Jesus! *Stepping out* in faith, released the *AUTHORITY* of Jesus Christ, which brought the healing.

Healing Resisted: There were several miraculous healings that took place through this time of revelation, where I *stepped out* in faith and Jesus saw Jesus release His *AUTHORITY*. But there was one time I stepped out in faith but did not get the desired response.

I was visiting a local business when I came into discussion with someone who had a chronic disease - they were at a mid-stage of this disease and quickly becoming debilitated. I could see the fear and pain he was suffering as he described the treatments he had tried, to find some relief and miracle healing - everything from medication, to multiple streams of New Age therapy. He then made this statement, *"I have tried everything, and I would do anything to be rid of this."*

I took hold of that statement, *"Well, can I pray for you?"* (what else could I have done?). He then sternly rebuked me, *"I am not interested in any religion, and I am staying away from all that kind of stuff!"*

I was taken back as he had tried numerous New Age treatments and spoke of a willingness to *try anything* to be healed. I said, *“Let me pray for you, you said you’d give anything a go”*, but I was again rebuked, so I left the premises.

Now I could have been discouraged, but my countenance was lifted as the Lord encouraged me. Yes, I was shut down, but I rejoiced in the fact I had taken a step of faith to open the door for Jesus to touch this man’s life. Regardless of the resistance, my intention was for Jesus to be glorified.

Jesus reminded me about Moses, where he went to Egypt and encountered resistance, being rebuked by Pharaoh again and again, but that didn’t stop Moses from *stepping out* again, trusting the Great *“I AM”* would always be with him when stepping out in faith and obedience.

CLOSING POINTS...

Moses received his commands (Exodus 3:7-14):

- Go to Egypt (*“I AM”* sent him)
- *“I AM”* will be with you
- History tells the story of deliverance through Moses and the Great *“I AM”* working together.

We have received commands (Mark 16:15-20):

- *“Go into all the world”* (*“I AM”* is sending you)
- As we *“Go”* signs and wonders will follow in the Name of Jesus Christ (*“I AM”*)
- When we *“Go”*, the Lord goes with us, releasing His *AUTHORITY* and power through these signs

We must have faith in the words of Jesus Christ, and *“Go” - stepping out* in faith and trusting in His commands. Then we will see:

- Jesus has all *AUTHORITY*
- Jesus has all *POWER*
- Jesus will go with you

If you have been *born-again* (John 3:1-21) and *empowered* with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8), then It is time to believe, have faith, and *“Go into all the world”*, working with *Jesus*, and gathering a mighty harvest of souls for the Glory of God.

JOHN 4:35 *“Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!”*

Always remember:

- It is not about *“Who am I?”* It is about *“I AM!”* (*Jesus*) - Your worth and identity is in the Blood of Jesus Christ
- When you *“Go”* in His Name, His *AUTHORITY* goes with you, and He will release it
- *“All things are possible”* (Matthew 19:26).

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