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# IN THREE DAYS...!

Dear Chosen One: Greetings in the Name of our RESURRECTED SAVIOR! **“But the Jewish leaders demanded, ‘What are you doing? If God gave you authority to do this, show us a miraculous sign to prove it. All right, ‘Jesus replied. Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.’”** (John 2:18-19 NLT).

The Bible tells us that every Word that comes out of God’s mouth will go forth and accomplish what He sends it to do.

When the Jews and some unbelievers questioned Jesus’ authority, He responded with confidence by telling them **“Destroy this Temple, and I will rise it again in three days.”** At the time of this conversation, these people believed that Jesus was referring to the Temple where they went to worship. But Jesus was speaking about His Body, the Living Temple.

Jesus was confident in Himself; He said, **“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me”** (Matthew 28:18b). When you are confident in yourself, and your God-given ability, it doesn’t matter what other people think or say. These religious leaders were too religious to accept the truth of who Jesus was.

I could imagine them looking at Jesus and turning up their “spiritual noses” saying who does He think He is, claiming that He could raise up this temple in three days that took us forty-six years to build? Jesus probably looked at them with pity. There are some people you cannot convince no matter how much you try. These are the individuals who are so “religious” that they are no earthly good.

What about You? Jesus said, **“I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with my Father.”** (John 14:12). Jesus has assured us that if we believe, we too can do the works that He has done and even greater.

My friend, your power and authority are not in your own ability, they are in the words you speak. Remember the Bible tells us that life and death are in our mouth and so are blessings and curses. There is POWER in your mouth.

You and I have the same power and authority as Jesus, and we should be accomplishing mighty works but because some of us are lacking faith, we cannot see any result when we speak. If you want to see results when you speak, then let your words and God’s words be **identical**.

What is the point of you having authority and power to make things happen and even defeat the devil? Instead, you are using your words to complain - just to be heard- without accomplishing anything.

People of God, it’s time to open your mouths and speak with authority. Don’t waste your words to speak foolishly. When your words leave your mouth, you cannot recapture them so make sure they are positive words with purpose to build-up, lift up, encourage, and to inspire those who are being downtrodden by the enemy. Use your words for the Kingdom’s benefit - not for self-benefit.

The Bible demonstrates, that although Jesus had power and authority to do what He wanted, He used His words wisely. There were times when Jesus

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could have destroyed His enemies or called down curses on them, but instead He remained quiet and tolerated His accusers' insults and false accusations. Jesus set a positive example. Instead of lashing out with words of hatred towards His enemies, He loved them, prayed for them, and asked God to forgive them when they wronged and offended Him.

Many people need to learn from Jesus' example. Instead of using their words to belittle, tear-down and condemn others they should use their words as a gift to empower, lift-up, motivate, and encourage those around them. The Bible tells us that on Judgement day, everyone will have to give an account to God for their words and actions while they were on earth. Our words have power, and we need to use them wisely.

Jesus did not have to be physically present in order for His commands to be obeyed. For example, one day a Centurion approached Jesus and asked Him to heal his servant who was sick at home. However, when Jesus offered to go heal the man's servant, the man told Jesus **"I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. When Jesus heard this, He was astonished at the Centurion's faith. Then Jesus said to him, 'Go! It will be done just as you believed it would.'** And his servant was healed that very hour" (Matthew 8:5-13.)

**There is Power in your words!** If you would start speaking positive about your future, your words would go forth and shape your destiny. Yes! God already gave you the power and authority to speak, now use those words to bind the devil and loose divine favor over your life and circumstances.

Jesus told the individuals who were challenging His authority, that in "THREE DAYS" He would raise up what they destroyed. Who or what has been challenging your ability? Who or what has been limiting or hindering you from receiving God's blessings? Now is the time to speak to those individuals or forces and let them know that-No weapon formed against you shall prosper... (Isaiah 54:17).

The Bible says, in Mark 11:24 that **"Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."** If you are a child of God, you don't have to beg and plead with God to take care of your needs. The Holy Spirit lives inside of you--that's the assurance you have that when you speak God's words they will go and accomplish what He sends them to do.

After Jesus was crucified, those religious leaders probably had forgotten what Jesus said about His resurrection: **"Destroy this temple, and I will raise it up again in three days."** (John 2:19) Basically, Jesus was telling them, destroy this earthen vessel and in **three days** I will rise with a new body. They needed evidence to believe that what was spoken was according to Scriptures – and they got it. Various Scriptures confirm that after Jesus' was crucified and placed in the tomb, three days after, He rose from the dead and showed Himself publicly to many people.

In spite of this Truth, many people are still doubting Jesus' resurrection, and some are still waiting for the Messiah (Jesus) to come, but we, the Body of Christ, know that Jesus already came, and that He will be returning soon. Our faith and confidence are in Jesus' virgin birth, crucifixion on the Cross and resurrection from the grave.

With that confidence confront the negative thoughts plaguing your mind. Then, like Jesus who told his accusers, **"IN THREE DAYS, I will rise again, you do likewise.** Tell those individuals who are questioning your ability in Jesus, those who have stepped on you, knocked you down, abandoned you, rejected you and criticized you that **"I Will Rise Again!** My knockdown was NOT a knockout! My setback was ONLY temporary for a greater comeback! You are empowered to prosper!

## **THIS IS YOUR RESURRECTION SEASON!**

As a child of God, I want you to remember, that your enemies' plans will not prosper. What they spoke against you will not come to pass. Who God blesses no one can curse.

**You are empowered to bring about change!**