

EMPOWERED TO REIGN IN LIFE

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God through Jesus Christ empowered the believer to reign in life as a king reigns in his domain. We are not born again to live as slaves to sin and Satan, but born to take charge of our lives and situations and make life say yes to us. God's plan is that all believers live victoriously. To make that happen, He had to empower us by giving us His very life and nature and fill us with the Holy Spirit. Anyone who is truly born again cannot be defeated or remain a non-achiever in life.

John 1:12-13

12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God- 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

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Rom 5:17

17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

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Sin, sickness, diseases, failure, rejection, joblessness, barrenness, challenges of all kinds, Satan and all his demons and agents, do not have power over the believer in Jesus Christ.

Rev 5:9-10

9 And they sang a new song, saying:

*"You are worthy to take the scroll,
And to open its seals;
For You were slain,
And have redeemed us to God by Your blood
Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,
10 And have made us kings and priests to our God;
And we shall reign on the earth."*

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Our faith in Jesus Christ has made us to become priests and kings to God. We are made kings that we may reign and administer the earth on behalf of God. We are made kings that we will take charge of our affairs and rule our world, and not the devil ruling over us. We are made kings that we may minister to God and partner with Him to fulfill His will for the earth and mankind.

The duties of a king:

- 1. Develops the vision and direction of his kingdom.**

It is your duty to decide the direction you go in life and not your enemies through the crisis they bring into your life.

2. Runs the administration of his kingdom.

Your enemies do not run your life. You do. The devil does not run your life. You do. Circumstances do not run your life. You do. It is your calling and mandate as a king.

3. Makes sure there is even development of the nation.

It is your duty to make sure that every potential you were given by God is evenly developed to fulfill your God-given destiny in life. No area of your life is to suffer or be neglected.

4. Makes sure there is equity and justice in the land.

You are to make sure that things work out well in your life and that of your family and no one in your family or any part of your life is oppressed, frustrated and held in captivity by the enemy. You are to enforce the laws and word of God.

5. Defends and protects his kingdom by developing and maintaining formidable armed forces. In some cases will lead them out for war.

It is your duty to train your family to become soldiers in Christ who know who they are and whose they and where they come from in Christ to defend their faith, life and destiny. It is your duty to protect your kingdom. You start by protecting yourself through faith, positive prayer and confessing of the word of God in faith.

The duties of a priest

1. Offer praises and worship to God.
2. Intercede for his people before God – stand in the gap between God and his people.
3. Teach the word of God to the people of God.

From the above, it is obvious that being kings and priests brings with it great responsibilities. It is not a title to attach to our names, but responsibilities and duties to perform. It is therefore, very important that each believer study to understand his or her responsibilities as a king and a priest to God.

Nothing is above you in this life as long as you are in Christ.

The beauty of Christianity is that it changes our status in life, makes us men and women of authority and power. It puts us in position of victory in all the battles of life. The believer is a winner in the battles of life because his spiritual gene is that of God. He has the life and Spirit of God in his spirit. As Jesus Christ is, so is the believer (1Jn 4:17). As Christ is above all things, so the believer in Christ.

John 3:31

31 He who comes from above is above all; he who is of the earth is earthly and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all.

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1 John 5:4-5

4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world--our faith. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

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You are born of God, so you have His life and nature. You have His authority at your disposal. His power is your power. Whatever is under His authority is under the authority of the church. God our Father expects us to think, talk and act like one who is from above. We are to be mindful of where we come from. One from the earth thinks and talks as one from the earth. We are from above, so we are to have the mentality of God whose life we have and live. If we have His mentality, we will talk like Him. Every man thinks and talks the way he thinks. Heavenly mindedness will give birth to heavenly talk. Heavenly talk is faith talk. It calls the things that are not as though they were. It is positive speech despite negative experiences and circumstances. It is destroying the negative experiences with positive (faith) words.

What to do

1. Saturate your mind with knowledge of who you are and what God has deposited in you to build strong faith. Only faith produces victory.
2. Never submit to adverse circumstances but to God and his Word.
3. Never surrender to any negative situation. Believe and never stop believing you will reign over that situation.
4. Release your authority with faith through the spoken word of the mouth. Speak positively all the time.
5. Live daily with the consciousness of who you and where you come from. You are a son of God and you come from above. You come from God.

Conclusion

You are so empowered that you cannot fail but succeed and so the world can see that our God is good and worthy of worship.

Acts 1:8

8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

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Rise up in your spirit and take your place in Christ. Let the word of God embolden you and by faith generate results that will make you an effective witness for Christ. For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk, but the demonstration of the power of God.

1 Cor 4:20-21

20 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.

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Rule your world.

