

Advent 2020 – Week #2

Never Before! Never Again!

As One With Authority



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“Authority”

1) A person with extensive or specialized knowledge about a subject...

“Authority”

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Example #1

The World, According to Scuttle!

With Scuttle, Ariel, & Flounder



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Dinglehopper!

Scuttle –

Appears as an expert on humans though, in reality, he knows very little.

Spoke with confidence about things he did not know nor did he have any experience with...

An ~~authority?~~



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Example #2



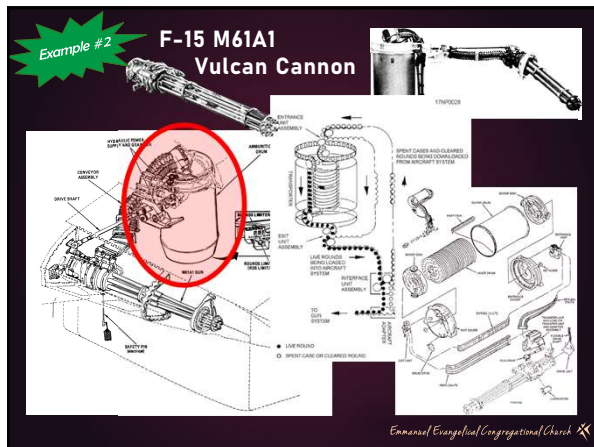
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Example #2



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“Authority”

1) A person with extensive or specialized knowledge about a subject... **An “expert!”**

By virtue of their...

- Knowledge!
- Experience!
- Training!
- Skill!

} **An “expert!”**

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“Authority”

1) A person with extensive or specialized knowledge about a subject... **An “expert!”**

2) Power to act, control or influence based on position.

- Boss, manager, chairman
- Policeman
- Judge
- Teacher
- Babysitter
- Drill Sergeant

} **Frequently, delegated!**
Contextual!

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Mark 1:21-22

“...Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were **amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law.**”

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Matthew 7:28-29
(also Luke 4:32)

"The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law."

Spoke { **Content!** (what)
 } **Manner!**
 Acted { **Power!**

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Content!

Mark –
 Jesus teaches in the synagogue in Capernaum.

Matthew –
 Kingdom principles in the Sermon on the Mount!

He didn't urge them toward more ritual...
 ...to give more money...
 ...to attend more services...
 ...to "do" more...

It's all about the heart!

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Content!



Authority over the Sabbath & religious systems

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Manner!

Matt. 5: 22
 Matt. 5: 26
 Matt. 5: 28
 Matt. 5: 32
 Matt. 5: 34
 Matt. 5: 39
 Matt. 5: 44

"For truly, I say to you!"

He didn't "suggest"...
 quote others... "name-drop"...
 or even "reference God" as the prophets...

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Manner!

Mark 1:21-22

"For I do not speak of my own authority, but the Father who sent me has commanded me to say all that I have spoken."

John 7:16 - "So Jesus answered them and said, 'My teaching is not Mine, but 'Tis who sent Me.'"

In full submission to the Father!

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Manner!

78 times in the gospels the words of Jesus ~ "I tell You the Truth" are recorded.

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Manner!

Matthew 22:16 -

And they sent their disciples to Him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that **You are truthful and teach the way of God in truth, and defer to no one; for You are not partial to any...**'"

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Power!

Mark 1:24-27

Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are - the Holy One of God!' 'Be quiet!' Jesus said sternly. 'Come out of him!' The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.

The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, 'What is this? A new teaching - and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him!'"



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Power!

Mark 2:10-11

"But that you may know that the **Son of Man has the authority on earth to forgive sins**, Jesus then turned to the paralyzed man and said, 'I say unto thee, Arise, and take up your bed, and go thy way into thine house'"

Authority to forgive sin



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Content!

John 8:1-11

Authority to forgive sin



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Power!

Mark 2:10-11

"Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. The men were amazed and asked, 'What kind of man is this? **Even the winds and the waves obey him!**'"



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Jesus...

Spoke... with authority!


Acted... with authority!

Because He was a man under authority!

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Matthew 8:8-9

The centurion replied, "Lord, I do not deserve to have you come under my roof. But just say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I too am a man under authority, with soldiers under me. I tell this one, 'Go,' and he goes; and that one, 'Come,' and he comes. I say to my servant, 'Do this,' and he does it."




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John 7:46

"...the temple guards went back to the chief priests and the Pharisees, who asked them, 'Why didn't you arrest the man?' The guards replied,

"Never has a man spoken the way this man does!"



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Declare truth! Calm wind & seas!

Reveal sin! **"Never has a man spoken the way this man does!"** Break the grip of death!

Dispel darkness! Impart wholeness! Declare innocent!

Remove fear! **Never before!** Call into existence that which is not!

Disburse demons!

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Hebrews 1:1-4

GOD'S FINAL WORD: CHRIST

Never before!

HEBREWS 1:1-4

"In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son..."

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Jesus is... **Son of God!** **Radiance of God!**

Never before!

Greater than the prophets! **Now exalted!** **Heir of all things!**

Never again!

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Hebrews 2:1

"We must therefore pay the most careful attention, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away..."

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Matthew 28:18
All AUTHORITY
 IN
heaven
 AND ON
EARTH
 HAS BEEN GIVEN
 to **ME.**
-Jesus Christ

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John 5:22
 Moreover, the Father judges no one,
 but He has entrusted all judgment to
 the Son...

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Romans 8:1
 "So now there is no condemnation for
 those who belong to Christ Jesus..."

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Romans 14:4
 "Before their own master only, servants
 stand or fall. And they will stand, for the
 Lord is able to make them stand."

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Ezekiel 34:28
 "They will no longer be plundered by
 the nations, nor will wild animals devour
 them. They will live in safety, and no one
 will make them afraid."

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John 14:27
 "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give
 you. I do not give to you as the world
 gives. Do not let your hearts be
 troubled and do not be afraid."

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John 1:12
*"But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name...
 ...and...
 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand."
 John 10:28*

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Hebrews 13:5
"...I will never leave you nor forsake you!"

*I WILL BE WITH YOU
 Always
 UNTIL THE END OF THE
 World*
 [MATTHEW 28:20]

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Revelation 21
"And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

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Therefore...

**THIS DO
 IN REMEMBRANCE
 OF ME**

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