

Blood Covenant Truths: Lesson 10 – New Covenant Completion (4)

In Lesson 9 we saw that God has imparted the totality of His power to Jesus and since we are Jesus' body that power is also imparted to us. We are supposed to use that power to loose, dissolve and undo the work of the devil; the curse that is in this natural world. Now let's look at step 6 of the blood covenant ceremony and see how God restored dominion to man through steps 5 and 6. Let us see Jesus in these and look at the significance of His completing these aspects of the New Covenant for us.

Step 6. Exchange of Coats. Having completed the exchange of belts, the two parties are now standing in the blood with the power of each other upon them. The next event was to remove their coats and exchange them. The coat is a symbol of the authority of the wearer. It represents his position in the race or tribe. In our modern society the coat is still used in organizations to hold and show the insignia and rank of the person. For example, in the military the rank and service of the person are displayed on the coat. Also, law enforcement officials have uniforms (coats) that clearly portray the force they are members of (police, border patrol, etc.) and the position (authority) they hold in that force. Authority is an essential component of a kingdom and citizens are delegated areas of responsibility within the kingdom for the purposes of protecting and running that kingdom.

When God created Adam and gave him dominion on the earth, this delegation of authority (along the accompanying power of God) was given to a being that was part of this natural world – a being created from the material (clay) of this world. As you learned in the principle of dominion (NCP – Lesson 5) the exercise of this authority is done by the spoken word. This is the way that God exercises His authority and man is made in His image. We saw in Lesson 9 that In order for God to reconnect man to His power he had to have a perfect man sacrifice his life to destroy man's connection to the power of the devil. For God to be able to restore man's dominion in the earth, he needed a perfect man to take the responsibility for running the earth. That is another reason why He needed Jesus to become a man and to establish a blood covenant on behalf of man (be man's representative). Through the exchange of coats (authority) the new covenant restored to man the right to speak to the real world (forces of darkness) and exercise dominion over them. It also gave God the right to speak through man (praying in tongues, prophecy, word of knowledge, etc.) to enforce the deliverance that Jesus purchased in this natural, curse bound world. These are awesome truths that take meditating on to gain the benefits of. So to help in this process, this lesson is going to look at some of the scriptures that cover the role of the authority we have in the real world, along with how to use our restored dominion in this natural world.

Let's look at some key scriptures where Jesus talks about God's authority in us. Read **Genesis 17:6-8**. A second hidden message in these covenant verses is the natural world exchange of coats (saw the first hidden message – belts - in the last lesson). Now link the correct answer to the questions.

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| In verse 6, what did God promise to make Abraham? _____ | A. Nations |
| In verse 6, what did God promise to make <u>from</u> Abraham? _____ | B. Land of Canaan |
| In verse 6, what did God say would come out of Abraham? _____ | C. Exceeding fruitful. |
| In verse 8, what was promised to Abraham and his seed? _____ | D. Everlasting |
| In verse 8, how long is this possession for? _____ | E. Kings |

All of these promises have been fulfilled, but the natural people of Israel do not yet occupy the full land of Canaan and neither does spiritual Israel (the church) occupy the full inheritance of Jesus. In the real world the eternal promise is complete in Jesus and we now get to receive the fullness of it into this natural world.

Wikipedia defines a nation as “a stable community of people, formed on the basis of a common language, territory, economic life, ethnicity, or psychological make-up manifested in a common culture. A nation is distinct from a people, and is more abstract, and more overtly political, than an ethnic group. It is a cultural-political community that has become conscious of its autonomy, unity, and particular interests.” Notice the word territory. For a nation to exist it must have a territory for it to live in; it’s homeland. This land is the domain of that nation and the rulers of that nation exercise dominion over that land.

The exercise of dominion is the right of a king. Since we are all kings (**Revelation 1:6**), the privilege to exercise dominion over this earth was restored to us by the New Covenant. I trust you are starting to see the incredible gift we have been given in the New Covenant. God has restored to us the right to declare His word over our lives (bodies, souls, families, relationships, finances and circumstances) and see His power make them line up with the truth. He has also restored to us the ability to stop every enemy plan and lie, to give commands and declarations that change things in both the real world and the natural world. Wow, that may seem a bit farfetched, but the things that happen in the natural are driven by real world power. Satan has used his real world power to bring destruction, confusion, enmity, lust, etc. into this earth and it’s our truth based commands that loose, dissolve, thwart and undo what Satan and his demons have been doing for far too long. Let’s find out where this gift of exercising dominion in both worlds is found in the Bible.

Write out Matthew 16:19. _____

Write out Matthew 18:18. _____

Jesus clearly wanted us to know that our restored dominion is real. He calls it the keys of the kingdom – our authority enforced by God’s power. He clearly tells us how to exercise that dominion – by declaring what is bound and loosed and that our declaration applies in both the real and natural worlds. Oh the privilege we have as children of God.

Now let’s read this verse in the literal Greek translation with the verb tenses inserted: “*And I will give (future indicative) to you the keys of the kingdom of the heavens: and whatever you may bind (aorist subjunctive) on earth shall be (future indicative) bound (perfect indicative) in the heavens; and whatever you may loose (aorist subjunctive) on earth shall be (future indicative) loosed (perfect indicative) in the heavens.*”

From your Greek word study aid table, write out the meaning of the following tenses and moods:

Indicative: _____

Aorist: _____

Perfect: _____

Subjunctive: _____

Now look at where these tenses and moods are used in the verse and answer the following:

Did Jesus say this before or after he ratified the New Covenant? _____

At what point in time did Jesus give us the keys? _____

Do the keys work automatically because Jesus defeated the enemy? _____

What must happen for the keys to work (subjunctive mood)? _____

When does the bind/loose occur in heaven? _____

Does this occurrence have lasting effects (imperfect tense)? _____

So the tenses and moods tell us that at the point in time that you bind or loose anything of your choice, it is done (complete, finished, performed) in the real world. You don't need to beg for it or command it over and over again, you simply need to command it and know that it is done. A king commands once and it gets done. So, having made the declaration we then simply give thanks and praise for the result. Then, once it is bound or loosed in heaven, the natural world has no choice but to line up with what is in the real world.

The application of this to our lives is that we can loose everything of the enemy (the curse) from our area of dominion (mind, emotions, body, finances, etc.) from us and bind everything of our inheritance (health, wealth, protection, provision) to us. The exchange of coats has given us this right – we now have God's authority. To reinforce this truth, read **Matthew 28:18**. Notice that all dominion has been given to Jesus and since we are His body, it has been given to us also. That is why Jesus follows His statement in verse 28 with the commission in verse 29 to "*Go you therefore...*". We can only go and be effective when we know the dominion we have been given and use it as kings under the direction of the Holy Spirit to enforce the defeat of Satan and his demons.

Now read **1 Corinthians 14:7-8**. The context of this passage is Paul teaching about the gift of speaking in tongues in a public gathering and the importance of making clear (by interpretation) what God is saying.

What is the required characteristic of the sound (v7)? _____

What is the clear trumpet blast used to indicate (v8)? _____

When you declare the truth in English or the Holy Spirit's words in tongues, your words have binding and loosing effects in both the real and natural worlds. God's power now enforces your declarations in both worlds. We prophesy our domain's future, determine our domain's destiny and bring heaven to earth using our words. The Holy Spirit leads us into all Truth (all of Jesus) and our words reflect this relationship. So our declarations include who we are and what we have in Him - righteousness, blessings, health, wealth, anointing, etc. Our words loose the negative from our domain and bind all the good things of God to it. Let the Holy Spirit teach you what to declare in English and also let Him speak it in tongues. Remember our kingship declarations must come from our intimacy with God, not from our head knowledge of scripture. Keep your focus on Jesus and your declarations will become effective. Now let's see a few examples of Jesus using the covenant exchanges of belt and coat.

In **Luke 4:35** what did Jesus command? _____

In **Luke 4:36** what did the people say Jesus had? _____

In **Luke 4:39** what did Jesus do to sickness? _____

In **Luke 4:40** what did Jesus do to all the sick? _____

In **Luke 4:41** what did Jesus do to the demons? _____

In **Luke 5:13** what did Jesus declare? _____

In **Luke 5:20** what did Jesus declare? _____

In **Luke 5:24** what did Jesus command the paralytic? _____

The Gospels are full of examples of Jesus using His power and authority; exercising dominion. Notice it is over all the things of the curse. Since you are in Jesus right now, you should be using your dominion in the same way.

In **Luke 9:1** what did Jesus give the disciples power and authority over? _____

Read **Mark 11:22-24**. In verse 22, the word ‘have’ is in the accusative singular, meaning that this phrase should read “Have God’s faith”. According to Romans 12:3 we have already been given “*the measure of faith*” which is Jesus (God’s) faith. When we believe this, then we will operate in verses 23 & 24. Now answer these questions:

What must you have for verses 23 and 24 to work? _____

How many times does verse 23 use the word say? _____

What can you declare (v24)? _____

What activates your receiving of them? _____

Notice that this is not a continual begging for it, it says when you pray (declare it once) and believe what you pray, then you have received it. From that point on you simply give thanks for the manifestation.

Now read **Mark 11:28** to **Mark 12:11**. This is one continuous story. When the religious leaders questioned the source of Jesus’ authority, he refused to answer directly because they would not believe His answer. So He tells them the story of the vineyard owner to explain (for those with ears to hear) where His authority came from. Verses 6 and 10 tell us Jesus has this authority because He is the son of God in a human body. Furthermore, **Romans 12:5** and **Ephesians 1:22-23** say that we are the body of Jesus, we are in Him. Since Jesus is now exalted above all principality, power, dominion and might (**Ephesians 1:20-23**) and been given a name above all names, in heaven, in earth and under the earth (**Philippians 2:9-11**), that is where we are and what we have also.

Now read **1 Corinthians 15:24-25** and answer the following questions:

What kingdom is being referred to? _____

When is this kingdom going to be delivered to Father God? _____

Who is Jesus using to put all these things under His feet? _____

Since you are now a child of God (**Romans 8:16**), you have the same authority that Jesus has, so it is time to boldly use it. All rule, authority, power and the enemies of God are under our dominion and God is “waiting on us” to enforce the victory Jesus won over them. By blood covenant, you are a king with dominion in this earth.

One final thought on how you do this. **Ephesians 6:10-18** details the weapons of our warfare. For all six pieces of the armor the word “put on” is in the Aorist tense, meaning it was put on you the day you were born again and it can never be lost or removed. Its whole purpose is to enable you to pray; to declare the Truth (what God says). James 5:16 tells us that the prayer of a righteous man releases great power. This is the power part of your New Covenant dominion, so start using your words to make what’s done in heaven be done on the earth.