

# Authority

# What Is Authority?

- Authority- The power or right to give orders, make decisions, and enforce obedience
- Who has authority?
- Where do we find their orders?

# The Inspired Word of God

- Word sent from God through Christ (Acts 10:36)
- It is the inspired word of God (2 Timothy 3:16)
- The word is truth (John 17:17)
- Truth can set you free (John 8:32)

# The Bible is Complete and Indestructible

- All things: life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3)
- Obedience will be blessed (James 1:25)
- God's word will stand forever (1 Peter 1:23-25)

# The Word of God is:

- Powerful (Hebrews 4:12-13)
- Able to build one up (Acts 20:32)
- Able to convert (Matthew 13:15)
- Perfect (James 1:25)
- Complete (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- Enduring (Matthew 24:35)

# Christ Has all Authority

- Authority given by God (Matthew 28:18)
- Christ is the heir (Hebrews 1:1-2)
- The word is truth (John 17:17)
- Christ also delegates some of his authority

# We must follow and keep His word

- If we love Christ, we follow him (John 14:15)
- Study to be approved by God (2 Timothy 3:15)
- Be examples for God (2 Timothy 3:14)
- We must follow what the Bible says

# Do not handle His word wrong

- Do not add or take away  
(Revelation 22:18-19)
- Do not pervert the Gospel  
(Galatians 1:8-9)