

Living and Not Dying
Part 9 The Power of the Word
Module 30 Part 9G

Made in His Likeness

Overview: Gen 1:26 And God said, **Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:** and **let them have dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and **over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.**

As a photo is the image of a person and as a son is the spitting image of his father, just so God made us in His image. As the oak does not fall far from the tree, as a son acts like his father, just so **we were made to act in the likeness of our Heavenly Father.**

A. The Flow of Authority.

1. Authority over the Earth.

a) Given to Adam.

Gen 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

b) Stolen by Satan.

Luk 4:5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

Luk 4:6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.

Luk 4:7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.

c) Won back by Jesus.

Rev 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become [the kingdoms] of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

2. Authority over the Heavens.

a) Jesus defeated Satan and the Kingdom of Darkness.

Col 2:13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

Col 2:14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

Col 2:15 [And] having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

b) Authority over the heavens given to Jesus.

Mat 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

3. Authority in three Worlds.

a) All things given to Jesus.

Eph 1:20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set [him] at his own right hand in the heavenly [places],

Eph 1:21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

Eph 1:22 And hath put all [things] under his feet.

b) All power is vested in His Name.

Phi 2:9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

Phi 2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of [things] in heaven, and [things] in earth, and [things] under the earth;

B. Act like our Heavenly Father.

1. Act like a Christian.

a) We are to be conformed to the image of Jesus.

Rom 8:29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate [to be] conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

1Jo 3:2 Now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, **when he shall appear, we shall be like him**; for we shall see him as he is.

b) Jesus and His Father.

Joh 5:19 Then answered Jesus and said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: **for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise.**

Joh 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am [he], and [that] I do nothing of myself; but **as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.**

Joh 8:29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for **I do always those things that please him.**

c) We and our Heavenly Father.

Joh 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Let us copy Jesus and do what He does and say what He says.

Joh 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

Let us copy our Heavenly Father and have faith in our words and in their creative ability.

2. Act like a son of God.

a) God gave everything to Jesus.

Heb 1:2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by [his] Son, whom he hath appointed **heir** of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

b) We are joint heirs with Jesus

Rom 8:17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and **joint-heirs with Christ**; if so be that we suffer (*i.e., have pain or persecution*) with [him], that we may be also glorified together.

Note: Mark 4:17 re afflictions and persecutions, "afflictions" is the same word as in John 16:33 "tribulation". In Rom 8:19, "sufferings" of this time is the word "hardships"

c) Overcoming every challenge.

Let us overcome every challenge and sit with Him on His throne.

Rev 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Gal 4:3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

Gal 4:4 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, **made under the law**,

Gal 4:5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

3. Partake of His divine nature.

- a) Moses partook of God's divine nature.

Exo 7:1 And the LORD said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.

Moses worked the miracles of ten plagues on the Egyptians.

- b) Jesus partook of God's divine nature.

Jesus ministered under the authority and dominion given to man to subdue the earth and everything that moves on it. Refer to Gen 1:26 & 1:28.

Psa 82:6 I have said, Ye [are] gods; and all of you [are] children of the most High.

Joh 10:34 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

Joh 10:35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

Joh 10:36 Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

- c) We are to partake of God's divine nature.

2Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that [pertain] unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

2Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these **ye might be partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

C. Creating your world with your word.

1. Releasing the creative power of God's Word.

Gen 1 (10x God said)

- a) Rom 1:16 The Gospel, the Word of God, is the power of God unto salvation.

e.g., I have called upon the Name of the Lord, so I thank you, Lord, that my family is saved.

- b) Heb 1:3 All things are upheld by the Word of His Power.

e.g., In the Name of Jesus, my city and home are protected from this hurricane.

- c) Phil 2:9, 10 At the Name of Jesus, every name and knee must bow.

e.g., Flies, in the Name of Jesus, leave this house.

e.g., Sick, you have a name so bow to the Name of Jesus and leave this body.

- d) Mark 11:23 You have what you say if you do not doubt.

e.g., In the Name of Jesus, I command this forest fire to bypass my home and city.

2. The Word of God is alive, powerful and sharper than a 2 edged sword. Heb 4:12

- a) Matt 6:7 The Word of God is never vain (useless nor prideful). How can God's Word ever be useless or prideful?

- b) John 4:24 Worshipping God in truth by affirming repetitive verses in song.

- c) Rom 8:26 Let the Holy Spirit pray through you in Tongues; often, a phrase or sentence is repeated. We may not have the translation but it is the Word of God being repeated and **that is the definition of an affirmation.**

3. Additional Benefits of Affirmations.

- a) Rom 10:17 Your affirmations increase your faith because faith comes by hearing and hearing.

- b) Because of the more than forty spiritual processes, which are initiated by speaking the Word of God, your affirmations can shorten the time to your seeing the manifestation

D. Declaring the truth and the future.

1. Speaking out the future.

- a) God tells us the future so we can affirm them into existence.

Isa 43:19 Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, [and] rivers in the desert.

Isa 42:9 Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: **before they spring forth I tell you of them.**

1Co 2:9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

1Co 2:10 But God hath revealed [them] unto us by his Spirit:

1Co 12:8 For to one is given by the Spirit the **word of wisdom**; (i.e., God is telling us about something that will occur in the future).

- b) Declaring the end.

Isa 46:10 God declares the end from the beginning.

We are adults in His family, made in His likeness. We should do the same.

In the Name of Jesus, I declare that this project shall have a successful end and that all circumstances shall line up (i.e., be ordered) to support that successful ending.

Matt 18:16 in the mouth of two or three witnesses, the truth is established.

Your declarations establish the truth because you are agreeing with Jesus.

2. Spiritual laws versus physical.

- a) Use the unseen to change that which is seen.

2Co 4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen [are] temporal; but the things which are not seen [are] eternal.

Heb 11:3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed (*i.e., ordered*) by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

- b) Use things, which are not, to change that which is.

1 Cor 1:28 God has chosen things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

- c) The spiritual law over-rides the physical law.

Rom 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

Rom 6:11 In the Name of Jesus, I reckon myself dead to sin.

1 Pet 2:24 I have been healed by the stripes (*i.e., wounds*) of Jesus.

3. Speaking into existence.

- a) Heb 11:1 Your faith is the evidence of things not yet seen.

By faith, you declare the manifestation of your prayer to be true because God's word is true and the Word of God is a seed which you sow by speaking it.

- b) Rom 4:17 Call things that be not as though they were.

Everything in the natural came from the spiritual. Spiritual laws are more powerful than the natural and we copy God by speaking out what we want, as we call things from the spiritual world into physical manifestation. (e.g., Dan 10:1-3 & 12-13)