



### "Your Ministry???"

**1 Corinthians 10:31** – "Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do; do it all for the Glory of God!"

- **Jesus always gets the GAME BALL! Jesus is always the MVP!**
- Paul reminds us that any gift, authority, talent, skill or anything that we do in life is to **always is to give God 100% of the Glory!**
- In **Luke 10:17-20**, the 70 men that were sent out came back pumped!
- They got to see things that they could never do by themselves...supernatural things! **But...they had a moment of pride in themselves!**
- So, Jesus quickly reminds these 70 of a few things!

#### **1. Verse 17** – "They returned with Joy..."

- These 70 got to see things that were impossible! They saw demons tremble, and get kicked out of people when they spoke in Jesus name with the authority He gave them!
- Even though they did acknowledge using the name of Jesus, they did say **"Lord, even the demons are subject to us..."** / **"Even the demons obey us..."**
- They obviously realized that Jesus did give them the gift and power to do this!
- **But, Jesus also recognized their moment of pride...their moment of saying something about themselves.** He reminds them very quickly that it's not about them.
- **Luke 10:18** – **"Yes, he told them, "I saw Satan fall from heaven like lightning!"**
- **First** – Satan got kicked out of Heaven **because of his own pride!** **Isaiah 14:12-14** / **Ezekiel 28:12-18**
- Jesus was sharing first off to **not allow pride in** or it leads straight to the **influence of the devil!** **How do we know?** **1 Timothy 3:6**
- **Second** – Don't be surprised that demons submit to Jesus' authority! Jesus saw him fall from Heaven like lightning and his demons the same! **Jesus has ultimate power!**
- **Luke 10:19** – **"Look, I have given you authority...over all the power of the enemy..."**
- Jesus is **THE SOURCE** of all authority over Satan and demons!
- **Luke 10:19** – **"...and you can walk/tread among snakes and scorpions and crush them."**
- These are **not real snakes and scorpions**, but they are **figurative for demons!** **Revelation 9:10** / **Revelation 9:1-4!** (Look at **Luke 10:17** in context again.)
- Revelation 9 is about the **"Bottomless Pit"** being opened up and demons let out!
- **Luke 10:19** – **"Nothing will harm/injure you!"**
- **Revelation 12:9** – **"That Ancient Serpent called the Devil or Satan..."**

- Jesus was showing that He has all authority over Satan and every demon!
- He is also showing that the 70 would have no power or authority without Him! So...don't allow any moments of pride! It caused Satan's fall!

## 2. Jesus shows us what we are to rejoice in!

- **Luke 10:20** – *"But, don't rejoice because the evil spirits obey you; rejoice because your names are written/registered in Heaven!"*
- **Don't get caught up** in the gift, talent, skill or authority that **God has given to you!**
- In our day today...this has become the focus! Someone's gift or talent from God! Don't fall into the trap!
- We are to remain humble in all areas of any ministry that God allows us to do!
- The fact that Jesus decides to work through any of us in a gift or talent is a miracle!
- You would have zero success in any type of ministry without what Jesus gave to you!
- **John 15:5** – what a humble reminder to all of us today!
- Jesus is showing these 70 that **Salvation** is the most **wonderful thing of all!**
- **Salvation is JESUS and NOTHING ELSE!!!** You can't save yourself! You can't earn it, buy it or do anything to get it! **It's a GIFT** from the Heavenly Father by Jesus Himself!
- *The ultimate joy to rejoice in is that you are forgiven and freed from the power of sin and death and destined for Heaven!*
- **Ephesians 2:8-10 / Romans 10:13**
- **Luke 10:20** – *"...because your names are written/registered in Heaven."*
- **Philippians 4:3, Hebrews 12:23 and Revelation 21:27! The Book of Life!**
- The opposite of this, is that all unbelievers names are "written in the earth" ...not in Heaven! The grave and Hell is their end result! **Jeremiah 17:13**

## Closing: Jesus was pointing the 70 to the **most important thing** in this entire life...**Eternal Life!**

- When you are on your death bed, all that will matter is **3 things**...*who you loved, who loved you and whether or not you repented of your sins and put your faith and trust in Jesus Christ. That's it!*
- Have you made peace with the Lord and turned to Him? **Acts 17:30-31 / Acts 4:12**
- It is the **single most important decision** of your life!
- It's not just a one time and one day thing...we are to **"rejoice"** every day and every moment because our names are written and registered in Heaven!

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