

Hello! This is Dorothy -

I want to share an accomplished fact with you today. In **Luke chapter 10, verses 17 to 20**, we read -

17 And the seventy - that's the disciples - returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightening fall from heaven.

19 Behold I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Wow! We read also in **2 Corinthians chapter 4** that Satan had been above us as the god of the world - invisible and inaudible, but supernatural as an angelic creature. Have you ever thought of that? You know, in your average day, you are really wondering what is going wrong. You think, "Well, it is not surely all our fault. Something is happening somewhere." We don't realize, as we cannot see what is going on around us, there is an enormous warfare that is happening. Yet, we praise God that in that warfare we can stand in every situation in the victory of our Lord Jesus.

We read in those verses in **2 Corinthians, chapter 4, verses 3 to 7**, a most amazing little part here. It says in **chapter 4 . . .** (If you have your Bible, please get used to following up what we are saying in the Bible. I want you to love and to use your Bible.) Paul is saying --

3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost;

4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

5 For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Do you understand that although there is this heavy demonic atmosphere around, we are standing in Christ Jesus? It was of Jesus who the accusers, the Pharisees, spoke when they came and declared He was an illegitimate child, but we know He was born of the virgin Mary as Son of God, perfect Man, perfect God.

In **John chapter 8, verse 44**, He said, speaking to the Pharisees -

44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own . . .

42 . . . neither came I of myself, but he (My Father in heaven) sent me.

45 And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not.

47 He that is of God heareth God's words . . .

Are you listening to **God's words**? Do you say, 'I am of God; I follow and love the Lord.' Then you understand what God is saying. But He goes on to say -

47 . . . ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

Perhaps you happen to be listening this morning and you do not understand why it is

as if everything just goes over you and you cannot understand it. Well, it could be that you have never come to know Christ personally. What that means is that you are bound and held by the god of this world. Jesus said, **I am the way, the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. (John 14:6).** You want to know *the Father* with a capital F - God. You do not need to know the father of lies, Satan. He, Jesus, would set you free if you would open your heart. If you do not abide in *truth - that is, in Jesus* - there is no truth in us, so we need the One who can set us free. The Word of God will guide our steps into victory over Satan. Yes, Satan is the father of lies, and he does not want believers to know that we can defeat him; He has been crushed by Jesus on the Cross of Calvary. Therefore, Jesus says to us in **1 John 4:4 - . . . greater is he that is in you, than he -that is Satan - that is in the world.** Hereby, we know the Spirit of Truth and the spirit of error.

God finished the work at Calvary and Satan is defeated! The Lord Jesus Christ made an open show of all that Satan had done to hold Him back, when He not only died on the Cross, He was buried, He rose again and He ascended and He is today seated at the right hand of God the Father. Nothing of Satan's great legions of demons can hold back what God accomplished and what God is doing today.

Are you open for this? Will you open your heart and say, *Yes, I am going to be on Jesus' side!* Write and let us know about that, please. We love you. Bye-bye.

