

# The Authority of Christ

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## **Statement 1**

**Jesus Christ has all authority in spiritual matters.**

### **Bible verses**

**Hebrews 1:1-2**

**Matt. 17:1-5**

**Acts 3:22-23**

**Eph. 1:22-23**

**Matt. 28:18**

### **Application:**

**If Jesus has all authority, How much do I or anyone else have?**

## **Statement 2**

**All of Jesus' authority is in his words.**

### **Bible verses**

**John 12:48-50**

**Lk. 9:23-26**

**Lk. 20:9-17**

**John 3:16-20**

**Rom. 2:10-16**

**John 8:26-32**

**John 14:10**

**John 6:53-63**

### **Application:**

**The words of Jesus will judge us.**

**Eternal life is in the balance.**

**Feelings, opinions, personal beliefs are not important.**

**God's word has the last say.**

## **Statement 3**

**Jesus' all authoritative word was given to his apostles.**

### **Bible verses**

**John 14:25,26**

**John 17:8, 14, 18**

**John 16: 12,13**

**Eph. 4:11**

**Jude 3**

**2 Peter 1:3-4**

### **Application:**

**The apostles alone had the authoritative word given to them, not to anyone else.**

**The word came from the father, was given to Jesus, then by the Holy Spirit was given to the apostles.**

## **Statement 4**

**Jesus' all authoritative word is all sufficient as found in the Bible.**

### **Bible verses**

**2 Tim. 3:16, 17**

**John 20:30, 31**

**Eph. 3:3, 4**

**2 Pet. 1:3, 4**

**2 Pet. 1:15**

### **Application:**

**Everything I need to know for salvation is in the Bible.**

## **Statement 5**

**Jesus' all authoritative word demands respect!**

### **Bible verses**

**2 John 9**

**1 Pet. 4:11**

**1 Cor. 4:6**

**Gal. 1:6-9**

**Rev. 22:18**

**Prov. 30:6**

**Deut. 4:2**

### **Examples in Scripture:**

<b>Adam &amp; Eve</b>	<b>Gen. 3:1-4</b>
<b>Nadab &amp; Abihu Lev.</b>	<b>10:1-2</b>
<b>Moses</b>	<b>Numb. 20:8-12</b>
<b>Saul</b>	<b>1 Sam. 15:1-23</b>
<b>Uzzah</b>	<b>2 Sam. 6:6-9</b>

**Compare this to Rom. 11:22 and Acts chapter 5**

### **Application:**

**Who has God? 2 John 9**

**Can we escape a fair judgment? Heb. 10: 28, 29**

**If I refuse to obey, can I be forgiven? Heb. 2:3 then Matt. 7:21**

**How Can I obey?**

**See the next statement...**

**Statement 6**

**Jesus' gospel went into effect after he died.**

**Bible verses**

**Heb. 5:8, 9**

**Heb. 9:15-17**

**then Rom. 3:21-31**

**Post resurrection commission of Jesus**

**Matt. 28: 18-20**

**Mark 16:15-16**

**Luke 24:46, 47**

**Compared to...**

**Rom. 1:16-17**

**1 Cor. 15:1-4**

**Rom. 6:17 (1-11)**

**Application:**

**What perfected Jesus? Suffering.**

**Eternal salvation AFTER his death Lk. 24:46, 47**

**A covenant is a will**

**A will goes into effect after the death of the testator.**

**In the Bible, a covenant for salvation is not valid without blood**

**Christ was crucified for our sins.**

**WE ARE NOT SAVED BY ANYTHING BEFORE JESUS' DEATH!!!**

## **Statement 7**

**Jesus' all authoritative word was confirmed; as seen in all New Testament conversions.**

### **Bible verses**

**Believed** Jn. 8:24; Acts 16:31; Heb. 11:6  
**Repented** Luke 13:3; Acts 2: 38; 3:19; 17:30  
**Confessed** Rom. 10:6-10; Matt. 10:32, 33; Lk. 12:8, 9;  
Phil. 2:5-11  
**Baptized** Matt. 28:19; Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38

**Why? Remission of sins!**

**Acts 2:38; Titus 3:5; 1 Pet. 3:20, 21**

**Examples of New Testament conversions:**

**Acts 2:1-47**

**Acts 8:5-12**

**Acts 8:26-40**

**Acts 9:1-18 (22:16)**

**Acts 10: 1-48**

**Acts 16:13-15**

**Acts 16:25-30**

**Acts 18:8**

**Acts 19: 1-7**

**Application:**

**Salvation in no other name. Acts 4:12**

**The Gospel of Christ leads to obedience Rom. 16: 25-27**

**Now is the time; will you be saved?**