

Hagin, Kenneth E.The Believer's Authority

9. Risen With Christ (Colossians)

Paul tells the Colossians the same redemption message he gave the Ephesians. The chapter stresses that the Father planned redemption, raised Jesus, defeated the demonic powers, and raised us with Christ. It then turns to the authority believers now share with the risen Christ.

Key takeaways

- God the Father did the work: He formed the plan, raised Jesus, gave Him a Name above all, and stripped the satanic powers of their authority.
- When Jesus died, God cancelled the law's bond against us and nailed it to the cross, forgiving all our sins at the same time He quickened us.
- Jesus took the keys of hell and death from Satan; those are keys of authority.
- Physical death is an enemy, not from God. No one lives forever in this present body; it is changed when Jesus comes.

- Christ the Head works through His Body. We are seated with Him and must exercise the authority we have—heaven backs up what we bind and loose.
- God is a loving Father, not a tyrant. He is often 'hindered' because His people fail to act in faith.
- Keep the Word first and the Spirit second; you cannot follow the Spirit into truth apart from the Bible.

Passages worth keeping

“I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.”

Jesus took the keys of authority from Satan.

“Put the Word first and the Spirit second, and you'll be safe.”

The chapter's rule for staying grounded in truth.

How it connects

The chapter ties Christ's exaltation to the believer's calling: because we are seated with Him, His authority over the powers of the air is meant to be exercised through His Body on earth.

Scripture referenced

- **Colossians 2:12-15** -- Father raised us with Christ, forgave sins, cancelled the law, spoiled the powers
- **Revelation 1:18** -- Jesus holds the keys of hell and death

- **Matthew 18:18** -- authority to bind and loose on earth
- **Colossians 1:15-20** -- Christ's supremacy and reconciliation through the cross