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1. The source of Kingdom Authority comes from \_\_\_\_\_.  
That's why we say we are under someone's Authority, because in Christ we have incredible Authority. We are united with Jesus through His death, burial, resurrection, ascension, and enthronement.

**Romans 6:3-5 (NKJV)** *Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup> Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup> For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection,*

2. The secret of Kingdom Authority is linked to \_\_\_\_\_.  
You cannot have authority until you get under the authority that is over you. God does not give Kingdom Authority to rebels. If we do not learn to be under, we will not be over. Jesus was under authority of His earthly parents, the Holy Spirit, the Father, the Word of God, and the government.

**John 17:4-5 (NKJV)** *I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. <sup>5</sup> And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.*

3. The scope of Kingdom Authority. When the Lord gives you authority, He gives you \_\_\_\_\_.

**Luke 10:18-19 (NKJV)** *And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup> Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.*

Our full inheritance is waiting until Jesus returns. One day we will have full Spiritual authority. We do not yet see all things put under Him, but in this day and in this age, He has given us authority over the enemy.

**2 Peter 1:3-4 (NKJV)** *as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, <sup>4</sup> by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

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