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WHAT Luke 20:1-8  
AUTHORITY

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The Need  
for Authority

# AUTHORITY IN LIFE

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- ❖ Understanding of secular authority paralleled to the need for authority in religion:
  - ❖ Military – 2 Timothy 2:4
  - ❖ Athletics/Games – 2 Timothy 2:5
  - ❖ Education – Matthew 10:24
  - ❖ Work – Matthew 10:25
  - ❖ Government – Romans 13:1-3

# AUTHORITY IN BIBLICAL HISTORY

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- ❖ Cain and Abel – Genesis 4:1-5;  
Hebrews 11:4
- ❖ Moses and Tabernacle – Exodus 25:8-9;  
Hebrews 8:5
- ❖ Balaam – Numbers 22:6-13
- ❖ David and Temple – 2 Samuel 7:1-7
- ❖ Peter and Cornelius – Acts 10:28-29
- ❖ Paul, Silas, and Timothy – Acts 16:6-10

# WE STILL NEED AUTHORITY TODAY

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## Submission to Authority Inheres in Conversion

- ❖ Be converted – *Acts 3:19* – to turn to.
  - ❖ *Acts 26:17-18* – from power (*exousia*) of Satan to God.
  - ❖ *Colossians 1:13; 3:17* – conveyed into kingdom (connotes authority).

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## Acting Without Authority is Sin

❖ We are under law – 1 Corinthians 9:21;  
Galatians 6:2

❖ Acting without permission of law  
(authority) is the definition of sin –  
1 John 3:4 (*anomia*)

❖ Authority is needed to be pleasing to  
Christ no matter what – Matthew 7:21-24  
(*anomia*)





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