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ark and I ministered in five German churches, one Austrian and three Refugee churches in Germany during our 3 week trip in November. It was a busy trip, though well worth it! The trip began in the Southern part of the country and we made our way to the North ministering along the way and ended the trip with a final stop in North East Germany. We had a short stop in Austria too. The ministry as always was well received and there were many healings and salvations along the way.

The most rewarding and exciting part of this trip was ministering in the refugee churches and just spending time with them, which we were fortunate enough to be able to do. Majority of the Refugees we ministered to were from **Afghanistan and Iran**. We conducted a leadership training in **Hamburg** with refugees who have come to Christ since coming to Germany and now are actively reaching out to the people in the camps. On Sunday we ministered at the church, where about 40 gave their hearts to Jesus. Many testified of healings too. Three ladies were healed instantly of back

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pain and were able to move their bodies with no discomfort.

Mark and I had the honor of spending a lot of time with **M**, who is from Iran. A friend led him to Christ in Iran. He stopped going to the Mosque. It was reported to the police who arrested him and tortured him. We saw the marks on his hands. His friend who led him to Christ told him the police were coming to arrest him again and that if possible he should flee the country. **M** was able to do so, but not his friend who has a family and is now in jail. **M** is one of the happiest person we have met, even though I could tell he misses his mother a lot. He is constantly smiling and serving where ever needed. He lives in a refugee camp close to Hamburg and evangelizes constantly. We took him out to dinner at a Persian restaurant, and he was so thankful. Mark and I were so thankful for being given the opportunity to spend time with M. He also loves Christian Rock and Roll! He blessed us!

We connected with Pastor Gerhard in **Ludwigslust, East Germany** to reach out



Ministering at the Refugee Church in Hamburg, Germany.





These ladies (2 pregnant) were healed of back pain after the shortened leg came out - **Hamburg**, **Germany November 19, 2017.**

to refugees who have been refused asylum in Europe. Their plight is terrible. Many of them fled Afghanistan or Iran, because they had come to Christ and were being persecuted for their faith. These men and women have no income and would have no place to go, but for the kindness of Pastor Gerhard. 16 refugees live in his home with him, 20 in a run down building he has rented for them and two couples in a little house he has rented. He gets no financial support from the government for taking care of the 'least of these'. Thanks to our partners we were able to send his ministry \$1,105/900 Euros recently. We had on e the most powerful services here as we spent the entire day with them in the dilapidated building. Even though they have nothing to call their own, their joy is indescribable. The worship in Farsi was so powerful and beautiful. About 10 came to Christ during the ministry here. Many were healed by Christ. A young Afghani Ruhollah Rajabali was instantly healed of deafness in one ear. The look on his face was priceless after he could hear clearly from this ear. We are getting more reports of healings as the days go by. PTL! The ministry was so well received that Pastor Gerhard has already booked us to conduct a

city-wide conference in Ludwigslust in April and then again in August.

One young man I visited was Ali, who had fled Iran because the police were after him for coming to Christ. He had been a devout Muslim all his life. He had a debilitating kidney disease, with numerous stones. The surgeons in Iran could do nothing for him. He would have to spend the rest of his life on dialysis which led to depression. He decided to end his life, but before doing so wanted to talk to his mother and sister who live in Canada. During the conversation he broke down and cried telling them this would be the last time they would hear from him. His sister asked why he was crying. He mentioned his desire to end his life. His sister who had become a Christian implored him to let her pray for his healing. He was furious with her for betraying Allah, and initially refused, but ultimately gave in as he loved his sister a lot. She prayed and nothing changed immediately. However within a few days he began to experience reduced pain in his kidneys and the pain completely disappeared within a week. He went back to his doctor and asked for an x-ray of his kidneys who told him it was a waste of



Sharmila ministering at women's meeting in Singen, Germany November 4, 2017.





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time. Ali insisted and the doctor did so. to find no signs of stones and two very healthy kidneys. Ali visited four more doctors who told him the same thing, that he had healthy kidneys. This miracle led him to Christ. As he began his walk with Christ the persecution from the Iranian State began. He tried to immigrate to Canada, but was refused a visa. He then fled undertaking the perilous journey on foot to Europe. He told me that in Iran he was a prosperous man, with a car and a good job, but today even though he has nothing he has EVERYTHING, JESUS! Even though he is living with nothing he says "I know I have a wonderful future and life ahead, because Jesus will take care of me." We heard these kind of sentiments echoed time and time again by refugees. We spent a lot of time visiting with them on an individual basis. They had questions about Christ, America, the war and Donald Trump!

Another highlight of this trip was reconnecting with our friend Mostafa and his wife Rangeen in Dusseldorf. We met Mostafa at the refugee camp in Greece in April, where he was healed and accepted Jesus. His story is heartbreaking to say the least and we have shared it often with you, so finally seeing him reunited with his wife and two boys after two years made us giddy with joy. They had prepared an elaborate Syrian meal for us. Rangeen speaks a little English, and she took two of Mark's books. They requested us to pray for them and their life in Germany. They are so grateful to be there and have nothing but praises for the German people. They are learning German, Mostafa hopes to become a chef and Rangeen a hair dresser. It is beautiful to see the change in his life and how circumstances have

changed since he accepted Christ.

During this trip as we intermingled with precious people from Afghanistan, Iran and Syria I was so thankful to Lord for taking them out of oppression. For a long time now it had been the cry of our hearts to be able to reach out to the persecuted in the Middle East, but we had no idea how that would happen. With tears in our eyes Mark and I witnessed personally what freedom looks like for so many of these formally oppressed people. The women dressed so beautifully, no black scarfs and hijabs, communicating freely with men, dancing during worship, full of joy and smiles. In our conversations with our German friends and pastors we are of the opinion that overall the German government has been very good to the refugees, but has also made some serio us mistakes along the way that they are trying to remedy now.

This report would be incomplete if I did not mention our wonderful German and Austrian pastors and friends who invite us over and over again to minister share about India and Nepal. Their generosity overwhelms us as they care for the harvest in these troubled nations.



So good to visit our Syrian friends **Mostafa** and his wife **Rangeen**. Now together after 2 years of being apart because of the civil war in Syria. At their new home in **Dusseldorf, Germany.**

By Pastor Gerhard Lewerenz

Serving Refugees Into The Kingdom

ur small church is based in Ludwigslust, Germany. We have a very big heart for the refugees. We started this ministry for refugees end of 2013. From there, we started housing some of them in the church. To date, we have housed 200 refugees in the church from Iran, Afghanistan, Iraq and Eritrea. We currently have 20 living in the church and a total of 51 refugees we are housing with congregation members. We are a part of the Church of God denomination, but we do not force Christianity on the refugees. There are 4 Islamic refugees living in the church now. Many have converted to Christianity and we have baptized 600+ refugees from all over Germany. We hold conferences 4 times a year. Our most recent one was in September. We baptized 45 people then.

Expenses the past months have been very high. The landlord of our property has been charging us extra each month because of the refugees. We also have to feed 50 people per day. This has slowly been draining our funds. We are in danger of losing our church now if we don't get these needs met. Every dollar that you give helps feed and house people in need another problem that we have, is that all immigrants that we house here in Germany have registered for asylum in other countries of Europe and those countries have failed to provide any support for them. For years refugees live on the streets with no money or language education. Germany has displayed the best example of foreign integration and so thousands of refugees travel to Germany in hopes of proper care. The law of Europe is to send any refugees back to the country that they have first registered in. Making it illegal to

come to Germany unless you have not applied for asylum elsewhere. The only legal way to obtain asylum is to be housed by a church for at least 6 months, without this these refugees will be deported back to the original countries they have registered in and then they will be deported back to their war torn countries. The German government believes that this gives the church an opportunity to minister to immigrants but churches receive no funding from the government for housing these refugees which is a huge problem for ministry funding.

Ruhollah Rajabali, is 31 years old and he learned about Jesus for the first time when he came to our church. He gave his life to Jesus during his first week of church asylum after understanding fatherly love Jesus had for him. "It was crazy for me! My whole life in Afghanistan I grew up a Muslim, and I had



Ruhollah Rajabali - 31 year old Afghan who recently came to Christ. A look of surprise after Jesus opened his deaf left ear and he could hear clearly -Ludwigslust, Germany November 20, 2017.

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Refugees being fed and housed by Pastor Gerhard in **Ludwigslust, Germany.** Most of them have given their lives to Christ.

been taught I had to earn my God's love that if I didn't do exactly as I was told I would be punished harshly. My whole life I had been so eager to find a God who loved me and it was almost to good to believe that I found it. That God had brought me thousands of miles from my home just to meet him." When Ruhollah learned about Jesus, most of his questions as a new Christian were about the miracles Jesus performed and Jesus has done nothing but pour into Ruhollah since. In the past two weeks Ruhollah has been supernaturally healed. Everyday Ruhollah had severe back pain up and down his spine he requested prayer from a missionary who had come for teaching and in seconds he had no pain. Two weeks later he responded to an altar call for hearing loss in his left ear and within seconds he had felt the Holy Spirit come over him and heal him, he had regained all of his hearing and has faith in a real and true God that loves and cares for him!

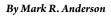
Rahelleh is 12 years old. She and her family are currently being housed by our church for 5 months. When Mark Anderson arrived at our small church he gave an altar call for back pain. Rahelleh at a young age had already started to experience severe back pain. She was asked by Mark to sit down and extend her legs, when she extended her legs Mark had explained that if her back was not aligned her leg would be at different lengths. In Rahelleh's case this was true and so as healing was declared over her spine and body, her spine had started to straighten and you could miraculously see her legs shift as her back straightened. Praise the Lord! Three weeks later Rahelleh is declaring and thanking the Lord everyday that she is healed and she personally feels her back is permanently healed!

As you can see the need is great for Pastor Gerhard's ministry to continue loving refugees into the Kingdom. I highly recommend supporting this very fruitful ministry. You can support Pastor Gerhard's ministry through **paypal at gerhdavid@gmx.de.** Or contact him at gerhdavid@gmx.de For those of you in Europe if you would like to contact or support Pastor Gerhard His ministry name and address is **Fels in Der Branding e. V. Kleiner Kamp 5 19288 Ludwigslust, Germany.** Phone: 49 172 3804590.



Over 600 refugees have followed Christ in water baptism since Pastor Gerhard has started reaching out to refugees in **Germany in 2013.**







The Authority Given To Mankind and The Ability of the Holy Spirit To Carry Out That Authority

This is a teaching that we have taught ministers and church leaders throughout the world, regarding our God given authority. As they acted upon this teaching, we have received reports of many miracles and salvations as villages and cities see Jesus alive. Once we comprehend our Godgiven authority and partner with Holy Spirit to ensure its application in the physical realm, we too can experience miracles, signs and wonders on a regular basis. I want to share about two opposing views in Western Christianity regarding the dominion and authority given to mankind verses passively accepting everything good or bad in life as God's will. We have a choice or a free will to believe the Word of God and Jesus theology, which is the best theology any believer could embrace (see John 1:1 & 14, 6:38, 14:9). Or we can just passively accept all religious traditions passed down as truth, without seeing if it lines up with what Jesus taught or what the Word says.

Man's God Given Authority

Genesis 1:26-28 says, "And God said, let us make **man in our image**, after **our likeness:** and let them have **dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth **and over every creeping thing that creeps** upon the earth. So God created He Him; male and female He created them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and **subdue it:** and have **dominion over** the fish of the sea, over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

(Title of book to be released in 2018)

The word **likeness** in the Hebrew means an **exact duplication in kind.** *Therefore become imitators of God* [*copy Him and follow His example*], as well-beloved *children* [*imitate their father*] (Ephesians 5:1 AMP). Jesus spoke this world into existence and put within us the same power and authority to speak things into existence. *Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it and indulge it will eat its fruit and bear the consequences of their words* (Proverbs 18:21 AMP). In order to walk in His likeness and in our God-given authority,

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we need to understand the power of our words. We have seen many thousands healed through the name of Jesus in our outreaches overseas. Most of those people are healed without laying hands on them, just speaking life into their bodies, cursing sickness, infirmities and disease and commanding their bodies to line up with God's word. We are made in His likeness, to imitate Him, do what He does and see the same results.

Psalm 115:16 says, "The heavens, even the

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heavens are the Lord's: but the **earth hath** He given to the children of men." In the

beginning God gave man the authority and dominion to rule over everything on this earth. Here it states that man was made in God's image to have **dominion**. Ilove what Psalms 8:3-6 says. When I see and consider Your heavens, the **work of Your fingers**, The moon and the stars, which You have established, What is man that You are mindful of him, And the **son of [earthborn] man** that You care for him? Yet You have made him a **little lower than God**, And You have crowned him with glory and honor. You made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet.

The first thing to see in these Psalms verses is that this earth was given to the **'children of men, son of man or the earthborn'** I am a child of a man or son of a man. So are you. The ones born here on earth, the earthborn are the ones who have dominion and authority. Also notice he has given mankind **dominion over the works of His hands.** That means mankind is made the pinnacle of creation. Dominion literally means **to rule, to be the ruler and reign over the earth, over every living thing.**

Notice when Jesus walked the earth how many times He referred to Himself as the **son of man** more than referring Himself to be the **Son of God,** even though He was the Son of God. This is so important to understand if you want to know how to operate in the authority given to mankind. God gave authority to those who were born here or are the children of men. In order to have authority on the earth Jesus had to strip Himself of His deity and come to earth to operate in the authority of man, born on earth.

How did Satan come in the beginning of time? He came in the form of a serpent (see Genesis 3:1) **"creeping upon the earth."** In Genesis 1:26 God gave Adam and Eve authority *over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.* Instead Adam succumbed to Satan's lies and gave his authority over to Satan. Satan then became the "**god** or the ruler **of this world**." (See 2 Corinthians 4: 3-4). Mankind and the earth were cursed because of sin (disobedience). Poverty, sickness, demon infestation, death and all forms of evil began to take place after Adam's fall (see Genesis 3:16-19).

I want to show you something Satan said to Jesus when he was tempting Him in the wilderness. Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said to Him, "All this *authority* I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish. Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours" (Luke 4:5-7). Where did Satan get this authority? He took it from Adam and Eve when they submitted to his lies. That is how he became the god or ruler of this world and still is to this present day. That was to be mankind's position but he forfeited it over to Satan. Jesus never yielded to this temptation but got back our authority by going to the cross, dying, defeating Satan in hell, and rising from the dead. Thank God for the second Adam who got back our authority and gave it back to us when He was raised from the dead. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth (Matthew 28:18). Psalm 115:16 says, "The heavens are the Lord's: but the earth hath

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He given to the children of men." Jesus Christ, God the Creator also became a man to have authority in the heavens and on earth. If Jesus has all authority how much does that leave for Satan, demons, sickness, and infirmities? None! Jesus got back our God given authority and passed it back to us (see Matthew 28:19-20 & Mark 16:17-18).

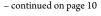
One other thing God told us to do in Genesis 1:28 was to **subdue it:** and have **dominion over.** The word **subdue** means to conquer, master, control, keep in check, restrain and bring into subjection. Without understanding what Jesus, God the Creator did for mankind in Genesis 1:26-28 we will never rise up and walk in the authority that was given to mankind, just by being born on this earth.

Extreme Soveriegnty Ditch

Some Christians take the sovereignty of God too far and feel that they are to just sit back and let God do it all. They also think that whatever happens in life, good or bad, is God's will, because He is sovereign. This reduces Christianity to the same level as Islam or Hinduism, believing that whatever happens in this life good or bad is Allah's will or the will of the Hindu gods and your karma in life. Why do so many Christians believe the same and have such a misunderstanding of the sovereignty of God? Sovereignty simply means having supreme rank, power or authority. A lot of the 'extreme sovereignty' views came about when Augustine, who was a Greek scholar came to Christ and interjected much of his Greek Philosophy into Christianity. This is what most Christians in the West believe today, knowingly or unknowingly. They embrace Augustine and John Calvin's (Calvinism) doctrine more than what Jesus or the early church taught. Augustine, Calvin and Luther brought much good into Western Christianity

but at the same time had a very distorted view of the nature of our Heavenly Father because of the influence of Greek Philosophy. One thing Augustine said was "Nothing happens unless the Omnipotent wills it to happen." That is just like Islam and Hinduism, which teach you have no control over your life and the things that happen in life. Everything that happens in life good or bad is God's will. He also went on to say a victim "ought not to attribute (his suffering) to the will of men or of angels, or of any created spirit, but rather to His (God's) will." If you want to know more about the 'Negative influence of Greek Philosophy in Western Christianity' check out chapters 2 and 5 in my book **OVERCOMING ROADBLOCKS TO HEALING** to see all the religious traditions that were formed by this 'Greek Philosophy Belief System' Augustine and Calvin brought into Christianity. It's on sale this month! (see page 7).

Some might say, "If God is really in control, why is there so much poverty, murder, death, famine, and a multitude of other morbid happenings in the world? Surely if God is in control, so powerful or real, He would stop this." Who is in control of the earth God or mankind? Mankind! Then God is not to blame for the bad or evil things happening on this planet. Either mankind and or demons are. He will only take control if we give Him the right to! He gave earth to mankind! Many early church leaders taught that if evil is happening on this earth it is because of the choices mankind is making and or evil spirits/ fallen angels. Augustine came along around 400AD and contradicted what the Bible and early church leaders taught on this. If the earth is in the throes of disaster, it is not God's fault. It is mankinds!



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Do not be misled, my beloved brothers and sisters. Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of lights [the Creator and Sustainer of the heavens], in whom there is no variation [no rising or setting] or shadow cast by His turning [for **He is perfect and** never changes](James 1:16-17 AMP). Simple theology lesson 101, you would think most Christians would know! God is good and Satan or demons are bad! The earth was given to mankind along with the authority to bring good or evil into this world. Despite possessing this authority, evil men give place to, have the aid of demon spirits (to carry out evil on the earth), just as Christians have the Holy Spirit/ God (to do good) to carry out their God given authority.

One needs to realize the earth was given to mankind and if good things are to happen we need to do our part to work in partnership with Holy Spirit, to carry out our authority and bring about good. When one realizes he has his part to do and Holy Spirit will work with him to change things then one will quit getting beaten up in this life with everything the enemy throws their way. God is not the author of evil occurrences in this world. He gave the earth to mankind to do good or evil. It is man's choice! Many in this world, are being used by the enemy like puppets to carry out evil on the earth. God is not doing this evil, nor is it His will for these things to happen. Much of the evil in this world can be attributed to mankind partnering knowingly or unknowingly with demonic spirits.

God can not operate or go contrary to His word in Genesis 1:26-28. He holds this universe together by His spoken word. In

Psalms 89:34 God says *My covenant I will not* break, nor alter the word that has gone out of My lips. Hebrews 1:3 He is upholding all things by the word of His power. If God went back on His word this universe would literally collapse because His spoken word holds it together (See Genesis 1). Man was given the authority on earth, by God. God had to operate through a man to use his authority or power on this earth. This is also the reason Jesus Christ, the Creator had to strip Himself of His deity, be born on this earth and become a man. In order to have this authority and to operate in miracles or healings on the earth He also needed the help and partnership of Holy Spirit (See Acts 10:38). Jesus, God the Creator came in the flesh, was born on this earth, the son of man. so He could legally operate in the authority He gave man in the beginning of time.

Every person born on earth has authority,

Each person has his or her own free will. Who they yield to is their choice, whether to God to do good or demons to do evil.

including Jesus Christ, the Creator who was born in the flesh. *By this you know and recognize the Spirit of God: every spirit that acknowledges and confesses [the fact] that Jesus Christ* (Greek -**the anointed one**) *has [actually] come in the flesh [as a man] is from God [God is its source]; and every spirit that does not confess Jesus [acknowledging that He has come in the*

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flesh, but would deny any of the Son's true nature] is **not of God**; this is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming, and is now already in the world (1 John 4:2-3 AMP) Jesus, the Christ, the anointed one, came in the flesh, stripped Himself of His deity (see Philippians 2:6-7) and came as the SON OF MAN enabling Him to use the **authority (Exousia)** God gave man in the beginning of time along with the **power (dunamis)** of the Holy Spirit to destroy the works of the devil.

Another thing about Greek Philosophy, the Greek gods and many other religions that separates Christianity from all this is that they put most of the emphasis on the spiritual realm and the gods that dwell there. In the religions of man the emphasis is always how big, powerful out of touch this God or these gods are with mankind. That is why the Greeks at Jesus time had a very hard time believing God the Creator came to earth in the FLESH, a man because they separated the spiritual and physical realms just like Plato and even Augustine continued teaching years later and bringing it right in Western Christianity. The over emphasis was always on the spiritual and being more spiritual. Greek Gnosticism was all about separating the spiritual and physical realms unlike what the Jews and Jesus taught. Spiritual gnostics are all about the spiritual realm. Their teachings and belief system was based on that so they were disconnected from the physical realm.

An agnostic is someone who is only in touch with the physical realm and very disconnected from the spiritual realm and God. They don't know there's a God, but that does not matter to them, because they are so focused on the physical realm and are disconnected from Him. But our God, who is a Spirit (see John 4:24) invaded the physical realm, became flesh to get on our level, so He could have relationship with us, not religion. One reason He came was to bridge the great divide between man and God, the spiritual and physical realms, but also to have authority on the earth.

Unlike the Greek god Zeus (god of **thunder**) our God is not full of wrath and anger, ready to beat up His own. But instead of spreading out His arms to strike and destroy He spread out His arms in love to hang on a cross, suffer, bleed and die a horrible death. Why, because He summed it all up: Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's *life for his friends* (John 15:13). He wants to be our friend and fellowship with mankind. Psalms 145:8-9 says The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and great in mercy. The Lord is good to all, And His tender mercies are over all His works. He is not like Zeus, or the gods of other religions of men. He is not like what Augustine and Calvin painted Him out to be, a Schizophrenic God who does both good and evil to mankind. He is overflowing with compassion and so very slow to anger and wrath. He does not work with Satan and demons to carry out evil, to steal, kill or destroy life. Jesus said this about Himself, separating Himself from Satan the thief and what Augustine said about Him. The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.

During September 2017 the USA had major hurricanes, one after another, causing much death, flooding and destruction. Christian leaders who are influenced by Augustine and Calvinism came out and said this is the wrath of God on the USA and that God is judging the USA for its sin. BTW we do not worship Zeus, we worship Jesus, who showed us what the Heavenly Father is truly like (see John 14:9). Greek Philosophy has greatly distorted – continued on page 12

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many Christians' view of the Heavenly Father. I greatly disagreed with this distorted view of God and shared the things I shared above on my Facebook wall. I said we have authority over these demonic storms sent to steal, kill and destroy life. Many people agreed with me and we began to pray and take authority over Hurricane Irma as it was heading to the Florida coasts. It was causing major destruction of the Islands in it's path, on it's way to Florida.

A day later I had a dream that it reached the Florida coast and was immediately reduced to a category 2 hurricane. I shared this on Facebook and rallied more prayer support for Florida. All the weather forecasters said it will hit Florida as a cat 5 hurricane. It hit the Florida Keys as cat 5 but the next day as soon as it reached the Florida mainland it immediately went from a cat 5 to a cat 2 hurricane, to the shock of the weather forecasters. I have seen major storms and tornadoes change course when we have taken authority in Jesus' name. The Body of Christ needs to rise up and understand the authority that was given to us by God in the beginning time. Let's use that authority to resist Satan's plans rather than submitting passively to them (see James 4:7).

Mirror Imaging

In Matthew 16:19 Jesus says, "And I will give you the keys to of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind (Greek -forbid) on earth will be bound (Forbidden) in heaven, and whatever you loose (Greek –allow) on earth will be loosed (allowed) in heaven." If negative things are happening on earth, believers have the authority to bring about positive change. In this verse Jesus is talking of changing the spiritual atmosphere to see permanent change in the physical realm. If we can affect the Spiritual realm we can see numerous miracles or circumstances change for the better in the physical realm. Spirit-filled Christians have the authority and the power of Holy Spirit to change the spiritual and physical realsm and their circumstances. Jesus said this is **the keys of the kingdom of heaven.** If you have the keys of a kingdom, everything in that kingdom is at your disposal. Heaven is the main kingdom of the entire universe. Jesus wants us to use the keys of the kingdom of Heaven.

Matthew 16:19, is based on the Greek concept of *mirror imaging*. This implies affecting the spiritual realm for success in the physical realm. Everything that happens in the physical realm, such as miracles or a move of the Holy Spirit came as a result of affecting the spiritual realm first. We need to affect the spiritual realm to see results in the physical realm. The Israelites understood this concept and were in tune to the spiritual realm. They knew that if they could affect the spiritual realm they would see great success in the physical realm. 2 Chronicles 20 is a good example of this 'Mirror Imaging' principle, found throughout the Old Testament. This principle was something easy for the people Jesus ministered to, to understand because they were in tune to both the spiritual and physical realms. They did not separate the spiritual and physical realms like we are taught here in the West to believe because of the influence of Greek Philosophy. Judah called upon the living God with fasting and prayer to affect the spiritual and the natural realm. King Jehoshaphat did this when the combined armies of Moab, Ammon and others besieged Judah and there appeared no way out for Judah (Ref. 2 Chronicles 20:1-30). They were greatly outnumbered!

After praying, fasting, operating in faith and affecting the spiritual realm God spoke through a prophet in 2 Chronicles 20:15, "And he said, Listen, all you of Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and you, King Jehoshaphat! Thus says the Lord to you: Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for **the battle is not yours, but God's.**"

King Jehoshaphat understood that God would deliver Judah from the vast enemy army and instead of sending soldiers out to face the enemy, he sent the praise and worship teams to worship God before the enemy. As they were praising God, the Lord sent ambushments (angels) against the enemy, and the enemy was defeated. These kind of events happened time and time again in the Old Testament when the spiritual realm was affected, allowing great things to happen in the physical realm.

The Babylonians understood and acted upon this principle of mirror imaging as well. The difference lay in the fact that they called upon evil powers for victory. They built a city and buried it underground. Then they built the replica of that city above the ground in order to call upon the powers of the underworld. They affected the spiritual realm and as a result won great battles and conquered many in the physical realm, in their time.

We will continue with this teaching and share more about Holy Spirit's role to carry out our authority, when we partner with Him, in our next Good News Magazine. Also be looking for the release of this new book **'The Authority Given to Mankind.'** To be released in 2018. Another excellent book on this subject matter is **Schizophrenic God? Finding Reality in Conflict, Confusion and Contradiction** by Steve C. Shank https:// www.markandersonministries.com/product/ schizophrenic-god.

Riverton, Wyoming October Conference

We conducted a 3 day conference for Activation in Miracles and Healings in Riverton, Wyoming where we saw many healings, including 3 deaf people whose ears Jesus opened, a lady with a broken foot and on crutches was healed, no longer needing her crutches along with many other complete or partial healings. It was wonderful watching people (many who were native Americans) step out and pray who had little or no experience and watch Holy Spirit use them.



Sharla Khalar - broke her heel this summer and had titanium put in. She came on crutches Friday night, received prayer and walked into Sunday service without crutches almost completely pain free - **Riverton, WY**.

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Upcoming 2018 International Schedule



Note: We are just now starting to work on our 2018 travel schedule. European Pastors we have many openings in our April and August schedule if interested.

MARCH 4-6 Leadership Conference Nepal

MARCH 7-9 Open Air Outreach and Leaders Conference *Nepal*

APRIL 13-15 Luther Kirch Gemeinde *Chemnitz*, *Germany* Phone: 0371 – 5203959-0 www.luther-chemnitz.de

APRIL 18-20 Outreach for refugees Government Hall Ludwigslust, Germany Phone: 491723804590

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AUGUST 21-27 Ludwigslust, Germany Phone: 491723804590 AUGUST (tba) Vineyard Church Bern, Switzerland

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