



“Triumphant In Christ, Victorious In Life”

Sermon: **“Who’s Hand Are You Under?”** – 11/4/2018

Psalms 118:16 (NKJV) – *“The **right hand** of the Lord is exalted; The **right hand** of the Lord does valiantly.”*

Psalms 89:13 (NKJV) – *“You have a mighty arm; **Strong is Your hand**, and high is Your right hand.”*

Ezekiel 20:34 (NKJV) – *“I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out.”*

1 Peter 5:6 (NKJV) – *“Therefore **humble** yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.”*

INTRODUCTION:

- (1) Who’s Hand Am I Under? (2) Who is in control of my heart and life? (3) Is Jesus Christ really Lord of all that pertains to me? Am I running my life or is the Lord in charge and in control of running my life? Ref **Romans 10:9, 10** and **Philippians 2:9, 10**
 - **Lord** = (Greek – kuros) = supreme in authority, i.e. controller; by implication, Master: - God, Lord, Ruler. (e.g. The one who tells you what to do)
 - On this **4th day of November 2018**, is Jesus Christ Lord of all? Do I allow The Lord and His Word control my life, my decisions, my directions, my relationships, my affairs, and my all? Does the Lord Jesus Christ get to tell me what to _____?
- See, it is hard to understand Kingdom principles with a democratic mind-set. Too often today, everyone has a _____ and everyone offers an _____. We have the _____ to _____ to every day and in every way.
- We must realize that The Lord’s promise of _____, **PEACE**, _____, **PROMOTION** and **PROVISION** are under His Authority. **Who’s hand are you under?**
- We can only be free of *sin, sickness, and sorrow* when we fully _____ our lives to God’s Authority. We’ve said numerous times on Wednesday night in our “Triumphant Church” teachings that one important thing to embrace is this: “If you’re not _____ authority you can’t be _____ authority.” (**Again, who’s hand are you under?**)

HUMBLE SUBMISSION: A BIG KEY

James 4:6 - 7 (NKJV) – *“But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: “God resists the proud but gives grace to the **humble**.” Therefore **submit** to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.”*

James 4:10 (NKJV) – *“**Humble** yourselves in sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.”*

1 Peter 5:5 – 7 (NKJV) – *“⁵Likewise you younger people, **submit** yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be **submissive** to one another, and be clothed with **humility**, for “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the **humble**.” ⁶ Therefore **humble** yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, ⁷ casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.”*

- Peter, by the Holy Spirit, says the people of God should _____ to and **RESPECT** Church Leaders and one another. This implies that people should act without grumbling, gossiping, or divisiveness.
- Even amid suffering, _____ **SUBMISSION** is the key to the Christian life.
- _____ means to “place oneself under.” The proud person will find this to be the ultimate challenge.
- **Sometimes, and too often at times, we mistakenly believe that God will accept us regardless of our _____ of lawlessness and our _____ of insubordination.**

- Those unwilling to _____ to God's control will never be open and receptive to the grace that God has promised.
- **God calls us as Christian believers and Christ-followers to a whole new level of righteous living that begins with HUMILITY.** _____ comes before the empowering touch of **GRACE!**
- These verses outline keys for us to glean:
 - 1st – KEY is **SUBMISSION** = The Key to _____
 - 2nd – KEY is **HUMILITY** = The Key to _____
 - 3rd – KEY is **CASTING YOUR CARE** = The Key to the _____
(**Philippians 4:6 - 7**)
 - 4th – KEY is **GRATITUDE** = The Key to _____
- Friends, we must also come to grips with the fact and truth that there is _____ good for us outside of the Will of God!
- To do _____ with God is to obey Him – **Acts 5:32 (NKJV)**
- The highest form of _____ is to obey Him – **Hebrews 5:9 (NLT)**
 - _____ – shuts the door; brings power, peace, protection and provision.
 - _____ – opens the door to sin, Satan, sickness, sorrow and death.

WHO'S HAND ARE YOU UNDER?

- **1 Peter 5:6 (NKJV)** – “Therefore **humble** yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.”
- **Illustration #1:** A Highlighter – the most important component is the _____.
 - A _____ protects; a _____ limits. The _____ protects it from drying out. Real Spiritual _____ protects! The _____ protects you so you can last a long time.
- The area of your _____ are the areas of your _____; the areas of your _____ are the areas of your _____.
- **Illustration #2: The Pencil** – The Lesson's from the Pencil
- Your signature is the _____ of your _____! Hand writing analysis say that your _____ says a lot about you.
- #1) – Put God first! Always keep God _____! (**1 Peter 5:5 – 6; Matthew 6:33**)
- #2) – You can do great things but you must be in somebody's _____ if you are going to make a _____.
 - A pencil's or a pen's _____ is only as powerful as when it is in someone's _____.
- #3) – You will make _____. That's why it has an _____.
- #4) – Unless you endure _____ sharpening you can't make a _____.
- #5) – The important part is what is on the _____.
- #6) – On every surface you touch make your _____.
 - *Write something worth reading or do something worth writing about.*
 - *Paul said he bore in his body the “marks” of the Lord Jesus Christ.*
 - A _____ is a sign that something happened but its healed. A _____ is different that a _____.
- **Read 1 Corinthians 16:15 – 16 (NKJV)** _____ Submission and **Hebrews 13:17 (NKJV)** - _____ Submission. (**Who's Hand Are You Under?**)
