

Crowned with Authority

Because of His grace we have been given authority to defeat satan and advance the kingdom of God!



British Monarchy:

Kingdom: United Kingdom & 16 Commonwealth states (Australia, Canada, Jamaica, Saint Lucia etc.)

Ceremony - Coronation: is the act of placement or bestowal of a crown upon a monarch's head.

The coronation usually takes place several months after the death of the previous monarch, as it is considered a joyous occasion that would be inappropriate while mourning continues.

The Imperial State Crown: is one of the Crown Jewels of the United Kingdom and symbolizes the sovereignty of the monarch.

- Heavy Weight:

The Imperial State Crown is 12.4 inches tall and weighs 2.3 lbs (heavy). Queen of England advised that she has to hold her head up when wearing it because if not it feels like you would break your neck.

Its purple velvet cap is trimmed with ermine. The frame is made of gold, silver and platinum, and decorated with **2,868 diamonds, 273 pearls, 17 sapphires, 11 emeralds, and 5 rubies.**

- Great Value (Glory):

Usually, the crown is taken to the Palace of Westminster under armed guard in its own carriage and placed in the Robing Room, where the Queen puts on her robes and puts on the crown before giving her speech to Parliament.

We may never sit on the throne in England, but we are crowned and sit from a place of authority!

We are citizens of a Heavenly Kingdom

Philippians 3:20 New American Standard Bible

20 For *our citizenship is in heaven*, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;

- You get the rights of where you live

1 Peter 2:9 The Passion Translation

9 But you are **God's chosen treasure—priests who are kings, a spiritual "nation" set apart as God's devoted ones. He called you out of darkness to experience his marvelous light, and now he claims you as his very own. He did this so that you would broadcast his glorious wonders throughout the world.**

- Kingdom of God - Gods kingly power exercised over heaven & earth
- Kingdom is everlasting
- Kingdom is growing/advancing

Ceremony - Coronation

Matthew 27:50-51 The Passion Translation

50 Jesus passionately cried out, took his last breath, and gave up his spirit.

51 At that moment the veil in the Holy of Holies was torn in two from the top to the bottom. The earth shook violently, rocks were split apart,

- Veil 60 feet long 30 inches wide (sited by some theologians)
- There was a spiritual coronation ceremony over 2,000 years ago
- Son of God died for our sins so that we would have direct relationship with God (reconciliation) no more separation
- He didn't just come so we could get save and go to heaven, but that we would call heaven down to earth!

Matthew 6:10 New American Standard Bible

10 Your kingdom come. Your will be done, **On earth as it is in heaven.**

Crown

James 1:12 The Passion Translation

12 *If your faith remains strong, even while **surrounded by life's difficulties**, you will continue to experience the untold blessings of God! True happiness comes as you **pass the test with faith**, and **receive the victorious crown of life** promised to every lover of God!*

Isaiah 62:3 New American Standard Bible

3 *You will also be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, And a royal diadem in the hand of your God.*

Heavy weight/Glory of God:

- Glory (Kavod - Hebrew) Weighty importance
- Gods presence
- Revelation of His power & His characteristics
- Keep your head up - stay focused on God

Conflict/Pressure

- Jewels (Diamonds/Pearls) - Formed under pressure
- Diamonds are formed under heat and pressure
- Diamond cuts - the more its cut the more light is reflected through it (more valuable)
- Natural pearls form when an oyster/mussel/clam is irritated, usually by a parasite (organism that lives in or on it's hosts and benefits by taking the nutrients from host).
 - Through this process as a defense mechanism fluid is used to coat the irritant.
 - Layer upon layer of this coating then forms the pearl
 - Process can take several years
 - Imitation pearls - glass bead is dipped into a solution, coating is thin and may eventually wear off. One can tell an imitation by rubbing it across the teeth
 - All resistance is not from the enemy - some is used to challenge us!

What is your present conflict? What parasite in your life is trying to take your joy & peace?

But God!

In the midst of Conflict/Pressure God has given us Authority:

- Greek for authority in NT is exousia (translated power) **virtue of the position one holds**
- The power or right to give orders, make decisions, and enforce obedience

Authority given to Jesus

Ephesians 1:20-22 New American Standard Bible

20 which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and **seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, 21** far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. **22** And **He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church,**

Matthew 28:18 New American Standard Bible

18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, **“All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.**

Authority given to Us

Ephesians 2:6 The Passion Translation

6 He raised us up with Christ the exalted One, and we ascended with him into the glorious perfection and authority of the heavenly realm, **for we are now co-seated as one with Christ!**

John 14:12-13 The Passion Translation

12 “I tell you this timeless truth: The person who follows me in faith, **believing in me, will do the same mighty miracles that I do**—even greater miracles than these because I go to be with my Father! **13** For I will do whatever you ask me to do when you ask me in my name. And that is how the Son will show what the Father is really like and bring glory to him.

- Same power that raised Jesus from the grave has been given to us
- Authority is given from a place of position (our position is we are seated at the right hand of the father)

You need to use the authority that God has given you!

Say to fear, conflict, say to your past, we will no longer talk. That discussion is over! It was finished at the cross!

Walk in your authority! You are crowned with Authority!