

THE AUTHORITY OF THE WORLD, THE AUTHORITY OF GOD, & PENTECOST | VARIOUS SCRIPTURE

As we focused on First Peter chapter two last Sunday, Peter directed the church to respect and obey civil authority but hold God's authority above all. This week has been a hectic one concerning civil authority, so we will take 'pitstop' to address some issues from what I believe to be a biblical perspective. This Sunday is also Pentecost. Pentecost in the Old Testament marked the summer harvest. In Acts 2, we see a remarkable harvest of souls. The church is born as the promised coming of the Holy Spirit empowers the apostles. It is an amazing event as God gives them authority to launch the church age. How do we live as followers of Christ in this tumultuous season?

1. God and His _____ is our primary authority and we must see our _____ through the _____ of the _____. Hebrews 10:23-26
2. Scripture is the authority on how we _____ _____ _____ . Genesis 1:26; John 13:34-35; Revelation 5:9-10
3. As we look at Pentecost, we see that God _____ His people to _____ His _____. Acts 1:8; 2:1-13
4. As we remember Pentecost, we must be reminded of how God's _____ is to _____. Acts 2:42-47