

## AUTHORITY Word Study 11-22-21

### A. Adjective.

**NT:1849 exousia** (ex-oo-see'-ah); from NT:1832 (in the sense of ability); privilege, i.e. (subjectively) force, capacity, competency, freedom, or (objectively) mastery (concretely, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control), delegated influence: KJV - authority, jurisdiction, liberty, power, right, strength.

102 occurrences in NT, 44 times in Gospels, 21 in Revelation

### Listed in order of occurrence based on "Harmony of the Gospels" (A.T. Robertson)

**1. Pg 29 John 1:11-12** He came unto his own, and his own received him not. 12 But as many as received him, to them gave he **power** to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: KJV

**Interesting verse on theme of "sons of God": 1 John 3:1-2** Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. KJV

**2. Pg 46 Luke 4:6** And the devil said unto him, All this **power** will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. KJV

**3. Pg 58 Mark 1:21-22** And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the sabbath day he entered into the synagogue, and taught. 22 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had **authority**, and not as the scribes. KJV

**3. Pg 58 Luke 4:31-32** And came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days. 32 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with **power**. KJV

**3. Pg 59 Mark 1:27** And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine is this? for with **authority** commandeth he even the unclean spirits, and they do obey him. KJV

**3. Pg 59 Luke 4:36** And they were all amazed, and spake among themselves, saying, What a word is this! for with **authority** and **power** (NT:1411 **dunamis-see below**) he commandeth the unclean spirits, and they come out. KJV

**4. Pg 62 Matt 9:5-8** For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? 6 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath **power** on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. 7 And he arose, and departed to his house. 8 But when the multitudes saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such **power** unto men. KJV

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**4. Pg 62 Mark 2:9-11** Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and take up thy bed, and walk? 10 But that ye may know that the Son of man hath **power** on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,) 11 I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house. KJV

**4. Pg 62 Luke 5:24** But that ye may know that the Son of man hath **power** upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house. KJV

**5. Pg 67 John 5:26-27** For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; 27 And hath given him **authority** to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man. KJV

**6. Pg 70 Mark 3:14-15** And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach, 15 And to have **power** to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils: KJV

**7. Pg. 78 Matt 7:28** For he taught them as one having **authority**, and not as the scribes. KJV

**8. Pg 78 Matt 8:8-10** The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. 9 For I am a man under **authority**, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. 10 When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. KJV

**8. Pg 78 Luke 7:8-9** For I also am a man set under **authority**, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. 9 When Jesus heard these things, he marvelled at him, and turned him about, and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel. KJV

**9. Pg 98 Matt 10:1** And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them **power** against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease. KJV

**9. Pg 98 Mark 6:7** And he called unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them **power** over unclean spirits; KJV

**9. Pg 98 Luke 9:1-2** Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them **power** and **authority** over all devils, and to cure diseases. 2 And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. KJV

**10. Pg 137 John 10:18** No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have **power** to lay it down, and I have **power** to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father. KJV

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**11. Pg 138 Luke 10:18-20** And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. 19 Behold, I give unto you **power** to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the **power** of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. 20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. KJV

**12. Pg 143 Luke 12:5** But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath **power** to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him. KJV

**12. Pg 143 Luke 12:11** And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto magistrates, and **powers**, take ye no thought how or what thing ye shall answer, or what ye shall say: KJV

**13. Pg 167 Luke 19:17** And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou **authority** over ten cities. KJV

**14. Pg 177 Matt 21:23-27** And when he was come into the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto him as he was teaching, and said, By what **authority** doest thou these things? and who gave thee this **authority**? 24 And Jesus answered and said unto them, I also will ask you one thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what **authority** I do these things. 25 The baptism of John, whence was it? from heaven, or of men? And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say unto us, Why did ye not then believe him? 26 But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people; for all hold John as a prophet. 27 And they answered Jesus, and said, We cannot tell. And he said unto them, Neither tell I you by what **authority** I do these things. KJV

**14. Pg 177 Mark 11:28-33** And say unto him, By what **authority** doest thou these things? and who gave thee this **authority** to do these things? 29 And Jesus answered and said unto them, I will also ask of you one question, and answer me, and I will tell you by what **authority** I do these things. 30 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men? answer me. 31 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then did ye not believe him? 32 But if we shall say, Of men; they feared the people: for all men counted John, that he was a prophet indeed. 33 And they answered and said unto Jesus, We cannot tell. And Jesus answering saith unto them, Neither do I tell you by what **authority** I do these things. KJV

**14. Pg 177 Luke 20:2-8** And spake unto him, saying, Tell us, by what **authority** doest thou these things? or who is he that gave thee this **authority**? 3 And he answered and said unto them, I will also ask you one thing; and answer me: 4 The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men? 5 And they reasoned with themselves, saying, If we shall say, From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ye him not? 6 But and if we say, Of men; all the people will stone us: for they be persuaded that John was a prophet. 7 And they answered, that they could not tell whence it was. 8 And Jesus said unto them, Neither tell I you by what **authority** I do these things. KJV

**15. Pg 180 Luke 20:20** And they watched him, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men, that they might take hold of his words, that so they might deliver him unto the power and **authority** of the governor. KJV

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16. Pg 192 Mark 13:34 For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. KJV

17. Pg 209 John 17:1-2 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: 2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. KJV

18. Pg 214 Luke 22:52-53 Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders, which were come to him, Be ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and staves? 53 When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. KJV

19. Pg 222 Luke 23:6-7 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilaean. 7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time. KJV

20. Pg 225 John 19:10-11 Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? 11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin. KJV

21. Pg 245 Matt 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. KJV

### First use of NT1849 in Revelation

Rev 2:24-29 But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden. 25 But that which ye have already hold fast till I come. 26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: 27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father. 28 And I will give him the morning star. 29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. KJV

### B. Verb

NT:1850 exousiazo (ex-oo-see-ad'-zo); from NT:1849; to control: KJV - exercise authority upon, bring under the (have) power of.

3 NT occurrences, 1 gospel occurrence

Luke 22:23-30 And they began to inquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. 24 And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. 25 And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise

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**authority upon** them are called benefactors. 26 But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. 27 For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. 28 Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. 29 And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; 30 That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. KJV

OTHER USES IN NT:

1 Cor 6:12 All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I **will** not **be brought under the power** of any. KJV

1 Cor 7:4 The wife **hath** not **power** of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband **hath** not **power** of his own body, but the wife. KJV

**Reference for above: NT:1411 dunamis (doo'-nam-is);** from NT:1410; force (literally or figuratively); specially, miraculous power (usually by implication, a miracle itself): KJV - ability, abundance, meaning, might (-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle (-s), power, strength, violence, mighty (wonderful) work.

119 occurrences in NT, 37 in gospels (none in John)