ESTABLISHING DOMINION
Psalm 8:4–6 (NKJV)

DOMINION IS THE RIGHT TO RULE! God intends for you to have dominion… I want to examine the steps to establishing dominion- **PG**: *Dominion is a spirit, when you have it you can use it anywhere.*

Psalm 8:4–6 (NKJV) What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him? [5]For You have made him a little lower than the angels, And You have crowned him with glory and honor. [6]You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all *things* under his feet

I IDENTIFYING THE PROBLEM:

A- PG: You can always have dominion, but dominion will always be contested.

1. This resistance can be a **blockage**: Something that is stopping the normal response or flow.
   a. **Gen 26:18** And Isaac dug again the wells of water which they had dug in the days of Abraham his father, for the Philistines had stopped them up after the death of Abraham.
      i. Visitors not coming, people are not responding to altar calls, you never hear from them after a sinners prayer.
2. You identify a **pattern**: Things that keep recurring in the same way-
   a. **Judges 6:3** For whenever the Israelites planted crops, the Midianites and the Amalekites would come up against
      i. N/c's get sick or pulled only on church days… N/c's get pulled by romantic relationships… N/c's get calamity
      ii NY: Every 6 months we lost all our fruit! The pattern was time.
3. You are not experiencing God's **promise**: **Judges 6:13** "Please, my lord, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where are all his wonderful deeds that our fathers recounted to us…
   a. This is an honest question, where are your promises?

II DECIDING YOUR RESPONSE:

A- What do you do once you identify the problem? *Here is where many never get dominion*!

1. Some accept it as normal: *Everyone knows us, its free masons, this area is all tourists…*
2. Some give up in despair: *Its always been like this, and it will always be like this…* It's impossible! I've tried-
3. **The right response is settling that this is unacceptable!**
   a. **Psalms 8:6** You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands, You have put all *things* under his feet
      i. Personalize this! Put your name in there! That is God's intention for you! But you have to agree and contend!

III TAKING DOMINION:

A- Dominion is a battle & conflict word: Rule, Reign… It is a picture of placing your foot on the neck of the enemy

1. Joshua 10: Place your feet on the neck of the enemy-
2. Gen 15: Abraham drove the birds off his sacrifice
3. 1 Sam 14: Jonathan went up against the philistines with his armor bearer
4. 1 Sam 17: David asked; Who is this Philistine that defies God?
5. **PG**: *Dominion is a militant faith…* This requires extra effort, extra push, extra spiritual warfare!
   a. **Joshua 1:3** I promise you what I promised Moses: 'Wherever you set foot, you will be on land I have given you
6. So what does this look like?
   a. Targeted prayer: That specifically deals with a problem-
   b. Fasting: **Matt 17:21** However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.
   c. Witnessing: this is a form of attack on the enemies territory.
   d. Giving: Making an offering specifically marked for breakthrough-
      i. **Hebrews 11:4** By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice… Money and dominion go hand in hand-

IV GOD'S RESPONSE:

A- God will get involved in our aggression… but He waits to see what we will do-

1. Will we accept a lack of dominion? Who will we believe? God's word or the devil's lies-
   a. When Moses confronted Pharaoh, his magicians responded with double… but Moses stood firm! Defeated all the false gods of Egypt with 10 plagues-
2. When we choose to believe God and fight, God gets involved and helps us-
   a. The 4 lepers steps were magnified… Davids stone becomes supernatural… Gideon slaughters the enemy with 300 men… Jonathan sends an entire philistine garrison running… Jericho's walls fall…
3. Because you are CREATED to have dominion! **Psalms 8:6** You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands, You have put all *things* under his feet