THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT From Where Do You Get Your Authority?

The authority for what anyone says or does can only come from one of two sources. Those sources are God or man. Jesus asks the question in Matthew 21:25, *"The baptism of John from where did it come? From Heaven or from man?"* Notice the response of the Pharisees in Matthew 21:25-27. They could not come up with a third option for their source of authority. The same is true for us today.

We can only get our authority from the same two sources, either God or man. God's authority comes from the scriptures and pertains to life and godliness (2 Pet. 1:3). Man's authority can come from government officials, schools, law enforcement, our boss at work, etc.

The best source of authority that we can turn to for all matters is God. Sadly, many choose to turn to man's authority and disregard God's authority entirely. If we want to strive to live a godly life, let's look to the supreme source of authority. Only Christ has authority over things that pertain to life and godliness (Matt. 28:18). Why trust any other source of authority? From where do you get your authority?

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Sunday: 10 am,	Website:	your Bible
10:45 am & 5 pm Wednesday: 7 pm	http://caneyvillechurchofchrist.com <u>Location:</u> 103 N. Main St. Caneyville, KY <u>Phone:</u> 270-589-4167	questions and schedule a Bible study!