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DAILY DEVOTION GOD ALLOWS WHAT YOU ALLOW

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MATTHEW 18:18 CEV 18 I promise you that God in heaven will allow whatever you allow on earth, but he will not allow anything you don't allow.

(Many translations use the words "bind" and "loose" in this verse. Binding and loosing is a Hebrew idiom for exercising authority. It means to prohibit and permit.)

When God created mankind He gave us authority to rule on earth.

GENESIS 1:26 NKJ 26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

That means we have the right and the responsibility to make choices.

Our choices are expressed through the words we speak. So through our words we express our will and exercise our authority.

It is important to understand that God has given us choices. We MUST choose.

DEUTERONOMY 30:19 NKJ 19 "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live;

So instead of blaming God for our situations, we should wake up and realize God has given us a part to play. We cannot just sit around and expect God to do what He has told us to do.

For example, the New Testament tells us we are to resist the devil (James 4:7). So if the devil has any place in our life the fault is ours -- not Gods. Remember that whatever steals, kills, or destroys is from the devil, not God (John 10:10). So you have authority to resist anything and everything that would try to steal, kill, or destroy what is yours. That also means you have the responsibility to do so.

You must speak to storms, just as Jesus did. If you don't speak to the storms of life, then don't blame God when they wreck your life.

PRAYER: I will not allow the devil to take what belongs to me, I will resist him and he will flee in Jesus name.