

# Week 7 Teaching Outline: Authority in Prayer and Speaking God's Word

## Theme

**Authority is exercised through prayer and the spoken Word.**

## Key Scriptures

- Mark 11:23–24
- John 14:13–14
- Isaiah 55:11

## I. Opening

### Icebreaker Question

- Have you ever spoken words that changed the atmosphere of a situation—for better or worse?

### Lesson Objective

By the end of this lesson, students will:

1. Understand that believers have authority in prayer.
2. Learn the power of speaking God's Word.
3. Recognize the difference between faith-filled prayer and uncertain prayer.
4. Practice praying with biblical authority.

## II. Biblical Foundation

### A. Authority Through Faith-Filled Prayer

#### Scripture: Mark 11:23–24

- \_\_\_\_\_ taught believers to \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ believes before it sees results.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is not merely asking; it is agreeing with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

### Discussion

- What mountains are common in a believer's life?
- Why do many believers talk about their problems more than they speak to them?

## Key Principle

Faith speaks before circumstances change.

## B. Praying in Jesus' Name

Scripture: John 14:13–14

- \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus' name means \_\_\_\_\_ under His authority.
- \_\_\_\_\_ comes from \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- \_\_\_\_\_ is not a formula; it is a partnership with Christ..

## Key Principle

We pray from authority, not for authority.

## C. God's Word Carries Power

Scripture: Isaiah 55:11

- \_\_\_\_\_ always accomplishes His purposes.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Scripture aligns our words with \_\_\_\_\_ .
- \_\_\_\_\_ strengthens faith and defeats doubt.

## Key Principle

The most powerful words we can speak are God's words.

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## Speak to the Mountain

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- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Discussion Question

- What mountain in your life needs to hear God's Word spoken over it?

## Spirit-Led Prayer

- Prayer should be guided by the Holy Spirit.
- Effective prayer is relational, not merely routine.
- Authority and dependence on the Spirit work together.

## Discussion Question

- What is the difference between repeating prayers and praying under the Spirit's leading?

## IV. Group Discussion

### Discussion Questions

1. Do your prayers reflect authority or uncertainty?
2. What phrases reveal doubt in prayer?
3. How can Scripture strengthen your confidence when praying?
4. What role does the Holy Spirit play in effective prayer?
5. What changes when we pray from victory instead of for victory?

## V. Practical Application

### Activity 1: Speaking to the Mountain

Have students identify one challenge:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Ask them to write a faith declaration based on Scripture.