



**MATTHEW**

**KINGDOM  
AUTHORITY**

## Matthew 5-7

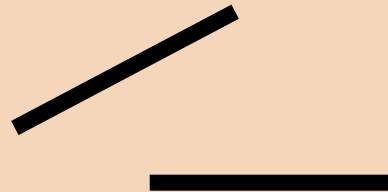
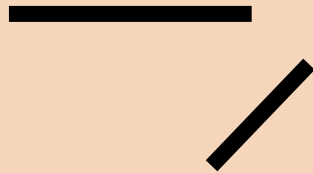
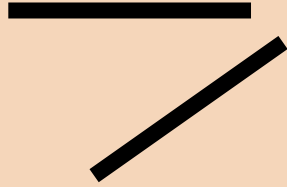
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## Matthew 8 & 9

**reveal the authority that Jesus possessed and demonstrated...**



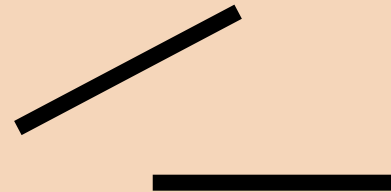
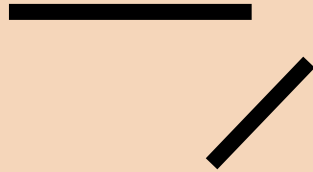
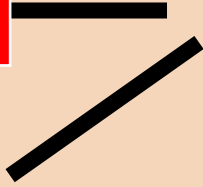
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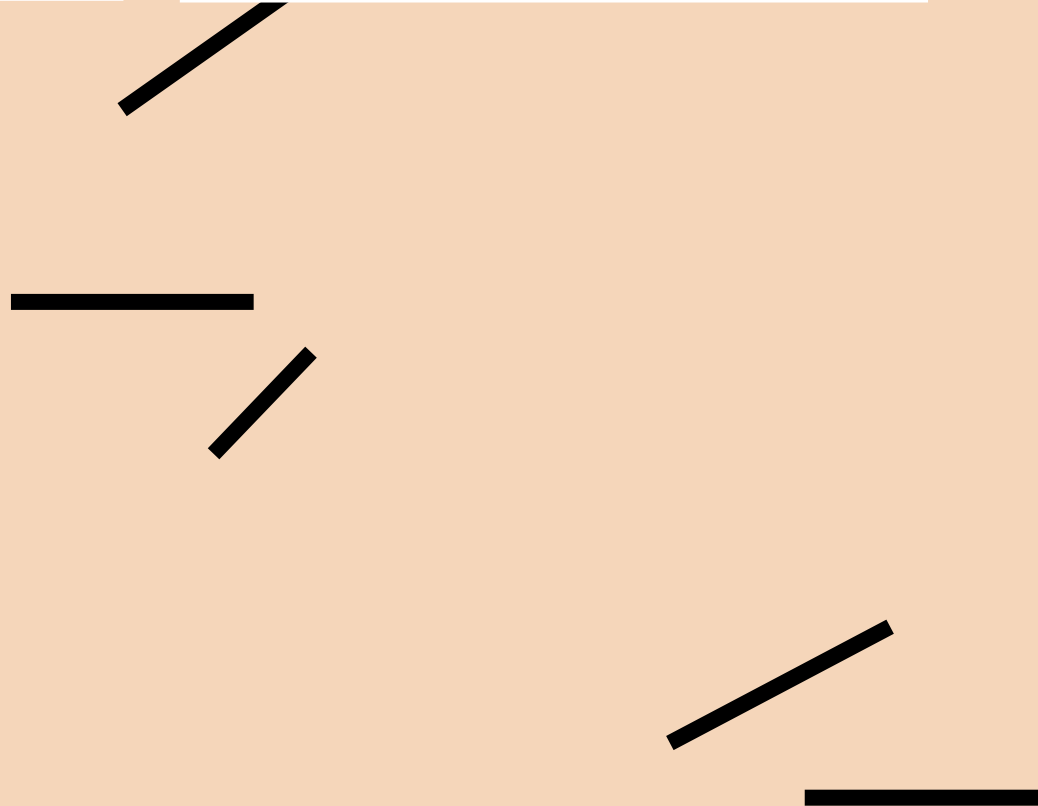
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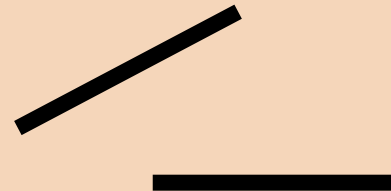
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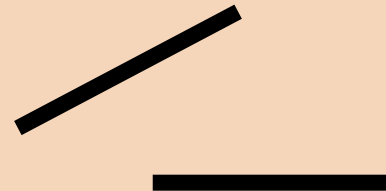
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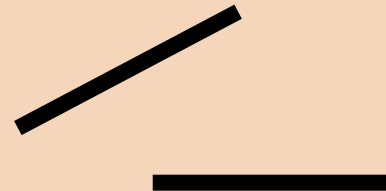
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prolongs itself out of weakness,  
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Life has no meaning  
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That God does not exist,  
I cannot deny,  
That my whole being cries out for God  
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The timeless story of pursuing success  
only to find it inadequate to satisfy  
the deepest needs of our heart.

In an effort to fill ourselves up  
we tend to trap ourselves into making  
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Tell me somethin', girl,  
Are you happy in this modern world?  
Or do you need more?  
Is there somethin' else you're  
searchin' for?

I'm falling  
In all the good times I find myself  
Longin' for change,  
And in the bad times I fear myself.

Tell me something, boy,  
Aren't you tired tryin' to fill that void?  
Or do you need more?  
Ain't it hard keeping it so hardcore?

I'm off the deep end, watch as I dive in  
I'll never meet the ground  
Crash through the surface,  
Where they can't hurt us.



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"What else does this craving and this helplessness proclaim but that there was once in man a true happiness, of which all that now remains is the empty print and trace?

This he tries in vain to fill with everything around him,

seeking in things that are not there

the help he cannot find in those that are,

though none can help,

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