

The Greatest Human Being- The Author of Our Salvation

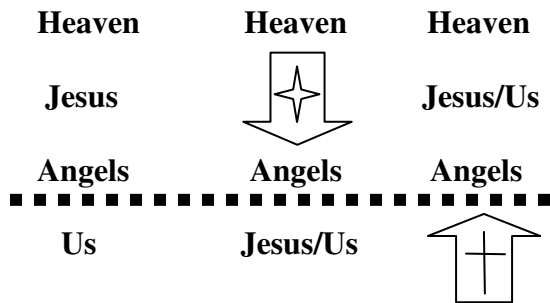
5 It is not to angels that he has subjected the world to come, about which we are speaking. But there is a place where someone has testified:
"What is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? You made him a little lower than the angels; you crowned him with glory and honor and put everything under his feet."
 (See Isa 46:10, Gen 1:26-28)

In putting everything under him, God left nothing that is not subject to him. Yet at present we do not see everything subject to him. 9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. 10 In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the author (archegos) of their salvation perfect through suffering. 11 Both the one who makes men holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers.

12 He says,
"I will declare your name to my brothers; in the presence of the congregation I will sing your praises."

13 And again, *"I will put my trust in him."*
 And again he says, *"Here am I, and the children God has given me."*

14 Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death-that is, the devil- 15 and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. 16 For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham's descendants. 17 For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. 18 Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.



Archegos [ar-khay-gos] - "One who provides the first occasion of or takes a lead in anything; author; leader of all others who tread a path."
 (Vine's Expository Dictionary)

Ps 8:3-9
 3 *When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, 4 what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?*
 5 *You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.*
 6 *You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet:*
 7 *all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field,*
 8 *the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.*
 9 *O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!*

Heb 12:1-2 2 *Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

Ps 22:18-22
 18 *They divide my garments among them and cast lots for my clothing.*
 19 *But you, O LORD, be not far off; O my Strength, come quickly to help me.*
 20 *Deliver my life from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs.*
 21 *Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen.*
 22 *I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you.*

Isa 8:17-18
 17 *I will wait for the LORD, who is hiding his face from the house of Jacob. I will put my trust in him.*
 18 *Here am I, and the children the LORD has given me. We are signs and symbols in Israel from the LORD Almighty, who dwells on Mount Zion.*

1 Cor 15:23-27
 24 *Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. 25 For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death. 27 For he "has put everything under his feet."*

Heb 5:2-3 Talking of an earthly Priest
 2 *He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. 3 This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins, as well as for the sins of the people.*

God Has Made Known the End from the Beginning!

Isa 46:10

I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come.

I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.

Gen 1:26-28

26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

From John McArthur

Dominion Theology, espoused primarily by John Wimber, who is networked through a group of churches called "The Vineyard Churches," basically is saying, "That as believers, we are to take power over Satan and demons, we are to exercise dominion over them." There is another kind of theology, that exists today, that is called "**Liberation Theology**." It is a form of theology that says, "That the Church is to take dominion over the institutions of the world." That's another form of Dominion Theology, or **Kingdom Theology**.

And what it basically says is that the Church's mandate is to take over the institutions of the world, that's the Liberation Theology side. What Dominion Theology says is that we are to take over the Powers of Darkness; we are to take over the demons; and we are to take over the spirits; and we are to dominate Satan. We are to take dominion, and that's why they talk about "Power Evangelism" and "Power Healing." In other words, he trains people, supposedly, to invade the Satanic World and take dominion over demons.

It is unbiblical. We are never told, never told, to take dominion over demons. We are told by James, "Resist the devil and he will" what? "Flee from you." We are never told to bind Satan. We are never told to bind demons. We are never told to plead the Blood on Satan and demons. Listen to Jude 9, "Michael the archangel, when he disputed with the devil and argued about the body of Moses, did not dare pronounce against him a railing judgment, but said, "The Lord rebuke you." Even Michael, who is a "super angel," did not dare rebuke Satan. But rather said, "Lord, you take care of him." And if Michael, as a holy angel, does not take to himself the exercise of authority over fallen angels, where would we find a mandate to do that?

The Bible simply tells us, that if you want to deal with the enemy, you put on the whole armor of God, right? You put on the whole armor of God, and you'll be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. We are not called to take dominion over the institutions of this world. We are not called to take dominion over demons and over the devil. We are called to get on our spiritual armor, to resist that demonic world and trust in the power of God, who does take care of them.

Hillsong - Mighty to Save

Everyone needs compassion, Love that's never failing,
Let mercy fall on me

Well everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a
Savior, the Hope of nations, We sing:

(Chorus)

*Savior, He can move the mountains,
My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save
Forever, Author of salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave!*

So take me as you find me, All my fears and failures
Fill my life again, I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in, Now I surrender (I surrender)

(Chorus x2)

*Savior, He can move the mountains,
My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save
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He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave!*

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing, for the glory of the risen King: Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King!

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ARCHEGOS

ARCHEGOS DEFINED

Archehos is the English transliteration of a Greek word used only four times in the Bible; the verses are as follows WITH *Archehos* in **bold** type (NIV):

Acts 3:15 / "You killed the **Author** of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this."

Acts 5:31 / "God exalted him to his own right hand as **Prince** and Savior that he might give repentance and forgiveness of sins to Israel."

Hebrews 2:10 / "In bringing many sons to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the **Author** of their salvation perfect through suffering."

Hebrews 12:2 / "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the **Author** and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."



The term is difficult to translate. A survey of the Greek translation of the Old Testament (Septuagint) and non-biblical use of this term suggests a threefold connotation:

Path-breaker (pioneer) who opens the way for others; hence, "guide," and "hero."
The source or founder; hence "author," "initiator," and "beginning."
The leader-ruler; hence "captain," "prince," and "king."

"These ideas are not necessarily mutually exclusive of each other. They all probably combine to speak of someone who explores new territory, opens a trail, and leads others to it. There he builds a city or fortress for those who follow and leads them in defense against attackers. When the peace has been won, he remains as their ruler, and the community or city bears his name. He is therefore honored as the founding hero. In each case Jesus as the "Archehos" not only initiates and provides the new life for his people, but remains with them through it; they bear his name, he is their hero" (J. Julius Scott, Jr.).

"The life that He has does not come from another; the prince or author of life has to be him who has life in himself" (Chrysostom).

Jesus Christ is the governor who leads his disciples to salvation; that is he calls, elects and saves his family. He justified us, is sanctifying us, and will glorify us. As our example, he took the first step, walked the perfect path, and invites us to follow him into his perfect will, in his perfect timing, and for his perfect glory.

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