

1  **APPLYING AUTHORITY**2  **Two Types of Authority**

- Generic
  - allows choice in fulfilling
- Specific
  - no variation

3  **Generic Authority**

Allows men to act in any way that is not sinful nor in violation of another Biblical principle

4  **Illustration**

Mr. Wilson tells his son to go to the store and buy food.

- Choices:
  - ride a bike
  - walk
  - buy anything understood as “food”

5  **Biblical Applications**

(Matthew 28:19-20) "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen. (NKJV)

6  **Generic Authority in The Great Commission**

- “Go”
  - Choices:
    - Walk
    - Ride an Animal
    - Ride in a Boat

7  **Generic Authority in the Great Commission**

- “Teach”
  - Choices:
    - Speak Publicly
    - Speak Privately
    - Write a Letter

8  **Generic Authority Re: Assembling**

(Hebrews 10:25) not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. (NKJV)

9  **Generic Authority Re: Assembling**

Choices:  
 When? Time and frequency  
 Where? Type of location

10  **Specific Authority**

Limits authorized action to those things and ways specified by God.

11  **Illustration**

Mr. Wilson tells Freddy:

“Ride your bike to Fry’s and buy one loaf of Nature’s Own 100% Whole Wheat Bread, a 12 oz. package of Oscar Meyer Smoked Turkey and a 12 oz. package of Sargento Pepper-Jack cheese.”

- 12  **Specific Authority  
in The Great Commission**  
 • Matthew 28:20  
 What to be taught:  
 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you"
- 13  **Specific Authority  
Re: The Lord's Supper**  
 (Luke 22:19-20) And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying,  
 "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me." Likewise He also  
 took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed  
 for you. (NKJV)
- 14  **Specific Authority  
Re: The Lord's Supper**  
 (Acts 20:7) Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break  
 bread, Paul, ready to depart the next day, spoke to them and continued his message until  
 midnight. (NKJV)
- 15  **Specific Authority  
Re: The Lord's Supper**  
 • Specifics:  
 – elements  
 • Unleavened bread  
 • Fruit of the Vine  
 – day  
 • 1<sup>st</sup> Day of the Week
- 16  **Specific Authority  
Re: Noah's Ark**  
 (Genesis 6:14-15) "Make yourself an ark of gopherwood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it  
 inside and outside with pitch. "And this is how you shall make it: The length of the ark shall  
 be three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. (NKJV)
- 17  **Specific Authority  
Re: Noah's Ark**  
 (Genesis 6:16) "You shall make a window for the ark, and you shall finish it to a cubit from  
 above; and set the door of the ark in its side. You shall make it with lower, second, and third  
 decks. (NKJV)
- 18  **We need God's Authority**  
 • For what we believe  
 (Romans 10:17) So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. (NKJV)
- 19  **We need God's Authority**  
 • For what we believe  
 • For what we teach  
 (1 Peter 4:11) If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. ... that in all things God  
 may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever  
 and ever. Amen. (NKJV)
- 20  **We need God's Authority**  
 • For what we believe  
 • For what we teach  
 • All that we do  
 (Colossians 3:17) And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus,  
 giving thanks to God the Father through Him. (NKJV)