If you have truly been born again—saved through faith in Jesus Christ—then you are walking in a spiritual authority that renders witchcraft powerless. The forces of darkness have no legal right over the redeemed child of God. Yet many believers still live in fear of curses, spells, and demonic attacks. Why? Often, it is because they do not fully understand who they are in Christ and what it means to walk in the strength of the Lord.

God's Strength Compared to That of a Wild Ox

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Numbers 23:22-23 (NKJV) says:
God brings them out of Egypt;
He has strength like a wild ox.
For there is no sorcery against Jacob,
Nor any divination against Israel.
It now must be said of Jacob
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And of Israel, 'Oh, what God has done!'

This is part of a prophetic word spoken by Balaam, who had been hired by Balak, king of Moab, to curse the children of Israel. But instead of pronouncing a curse, Balaam—under divine compulsion—spoke a blessing. He acknowledged that no enchantment or divination could affect God's people, because God was with them, and His power was like that of a wild ox (also translated as "buffalo" or "wild bull" in some versions).

But why compare God's strength to that of a wild ox?

# The Nature of the Wild Ox (Buffalo)

In biblical imagery, the wild ox is a symbol of untamable power. It is not a domesticated animal like the common ox that plows fields. The wild ox will not submit to human control—it cannot be yoked, led, or restrained. Its strength is wild, sovereign, and overwhelming. Job 39:9-12 (NKJV) asks:

"Will the wild ox be willing to serve you?

Will he bed by your manger?

Can you bind the wild ox in the furrow with ropes?

Or will he plow the valleys behind you?

Will you trust him because his strength is great?

Or will you leave your labor to him?

Will you trust him to bring home your grain, And gather it to your threshing floor?

In other words, this animal represents raw, unyielding strength that cannot be subdued. When the Israelites left Egypt, they were no longer slaves—they had been delivered by the mighty hand of God. They became a people who would no longer wear the yoke of bondage, spiritual or physical.

### Why Witchcraft Has No Power Over the Redeemed

When Balaam attempted to curse Israel, he failed. Why? Because the people of Israel were walking in the covenant and protection of God. Spiritually, they were like the wild ox—unreachable by the enemy, uncursable, and unbreakable in God's power.

#### In the New Testament, this truth is even clearer for believers:

Luke 10:19 (NKJV):

Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Romans 8:31 (NKJV):

If God is for us, who can be against us?

Colossians 2:15 (NKJV):

Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

As believers in Christ, we are spiritually Israel—the people of God through the new covenant in Christ Jesus (Galatians 3:29). This spiritual status makes us immune to curses, spells, or demonic oppression as long as we remain in Christ.

#### Are You Walking in That Power?

This level of divine protection and spiritual strength is not automatic for everyone—it is for those who are truly in Christ, those who have been:

Born again through repentance and faith in Jesus Christ

Baptized in water as a public confession of that faith

# Filled with the Holy Spirit, walking in daily obedience

John 3:3 (NKJV):

Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Acts 2:38 (NKJV):

Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

If you are not walking in this salvation, then yes—fear of witchcraft is justified. But once you are in Christ, you are sealed with the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13) and given authority to resist every spiritual attack.

## The Power of the Wild Ox Lives in You

So how do you gain this spiritual identity—the unshakable strength, the untouchable power?

You become a spiritual Israelite by entering into covenant with God through faith in Jesus Christ. Once saved, your spiritual nature changes. Like the buffalo, you no longer bow to the yokes of fear, sin, curses, or bondage. You are free, strong, and led by the Spirit of God. Galatians 5:1 (NKJV):

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.

## **Do You Need Help?**

If you've never been born again, or if you're unsure whether you're truly walking in the power of the Holy Spirit, now is the time to respond. This life of power and freedom from spiritual fear is available to you through Jesus Christ.

If you'd like to receive Christ, be baptized, or learn more about walking in spiritual authority, please contact us using the numbers provided.

## The Lord bless you and keep you.

# THE LORD HAS POWER LIKE A BUFFALO — DO NOT FEAR WITCHCRAFT

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