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The Kingdom Is Taken By Force.

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We are not talking about a religion or a denomination. It is a *Kingdom* that can not fail. Yet, it has to be <u>taken by force with</u> faith in the Word and prayer, applied and manifested through us in our field as artists and musicians.

We know that our prayers will bring the presence of God upon any man or woman in any part of the world. <u>So, when we pray</u> we are cooperating with the Father. God through us is ruling the demons and evil forces all over the world. <u>We become His</u> voice in the Name of Jesus.

The Word of God becomes the sword of the Spirit, and it is waging a war against demoniacal forces which rule over man. Jesus said the first sign of the believer was to rule over demons. <u>We are not just to ask the Father to do everything for us</u> as religion teaches us to do.(Mark 16:17)

The thief comes to steal, kill, and destroy, but we are to rule over the enemy forces so that we might have life, and have it in abundance (John 10:10). *We are just like the sun that rules over the darkness when it comes up in the morning.*

If we are afraid to rule in the name of Jesus, we will certainly not be able to reign as kings with Jesus, the King of kings, in this life. (Romans 5:17)

Let us face the fact that <u>this Kingdom of heaven is violently opposed and, therefore, has to be taken by force.</u>In the King James version of Matthew 11:12 it states, <u>"the Kingdom of heaven suffereth violence and the violent take it by force.</u>"

In the Amplified Bible it notes, "The Kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion."

The Swedish Bible says: "Och från Johannes döparens dagar intill denna stund tränger himmelriket fram med storm, och mänskor stormar fram och rycker det till sig."

This means that the Kingdom since John the Baptist comes like a storm and people are storming to take it by force.

Finally in the original Greek translation it notes that: η βασιλεια των ουρανων βιαζεται. The Kingdom of the Heavens is forcibly entered .

It is as if you had first row tickets to a concert, but the crowd was so big and abundant that you had to press your way through the crowd in order to get to your seats.

The woman with the issue of blood in Mark 5 pressed against the pressure and got her answer.

God wants all His children to enjoy all the benefits of the Kingdom but all are not yet doing that.

Why? It does not come without effort, <u>although it is all by grace through faith</u>. <u>We are to labor together with God.</u> (2 Corinthians 6:1)

The Father wants His loving Words in our lips to dominate the world forces that come against our families, communities, and nations. In Jesus' Name, Amen!

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