



When a person is naturally born they instantly become a citizen of that country. People can also become a citizen of a different nation by making a personal decision to move to another country and accepting that citizenship. A person can be a dual citizen of two nations.

When a person makes a personal decision to accept Jesus as their Savior, they immediately have a spiritual rebirth entering into a new citizenship status in God's heavenly kingdom. They are now a dual citizen of a physical nation and of spiritual heaven!

We don't wait until we physically die to become a citizen of heaven; we're citizens right now!

Paul said, "For our citizenship is in heaven" **Philippians 3:20 (NKJV)**

That's present tense, not an event that happens in the future.

Let's examine more scripture to back this up...

"But God, being rich in mercy, because of his great love with which he loved us, even though we were dead in transgressions, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you are saved!—and he raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus," **Ephesians 2:4-6 (NKJV)**

God "made us alive" in Christ; "raised us" or resurrected us from death and "seated us" with Jesus in heaven. This is not in the future. All this is past tense. A fact already done! We share Christ's throne right now!

We have heaven's authority right now!

We don't have to work for it; or join a denomination for it; or physically die for it ... It's a free gift through God's grace!



Father gave supreme authority to Jesus, "when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come." **Ephesians 1:20-21**

Jesus is right now the "Lord of Lords and King of Kings." (Revelation 17:14; 19:16)

So what does this mean for Christians?

"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power." **Ephesians 1:17-20**

The power of heaven's citizenship is "Toward us who believe".

So now Christians are saying, "Yeah but Al, I don't have this power." I say that's a lie that you've heard from the evil realm or from some spiritually dead man-made doctrine, as we've just shown that God has said that every Christian does have this power and authority of heaven, as we are joint heirs NOW with Christ.

"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ." Romans 8: 16-17

"OK Al, I agree with God that I have the power but nothing happens... how do I make things happen? How do I get the government of heaven to operate through me to have an effect on people, cities, regions, nations and governments on earth?"

There are some main reasons for powerless Christians...

1. They don't know that they have power and authority now.
2. Poor, inaccurate or non-existent training from experienced, spiritual mentors.
3. They lack the power of the Holy Spirit (Luke 4:14).
4. They don't surrender to or follow the Holy Spirit.
5. They have deliberate sin, non-repentance and/or unforgiveness in their lives.
6. They are of the world or of religion or self idolizing.
7. They lack faith or have fear to act.
8. They don't or won't follow the government guidelines of God (His Word).

Citizens of any nation, fall under the rules, laws and government of that nation. This is the same for Christians in that we fall under the government of God. When people deliberately or in ignorance go against their government, citizens can run into problems. Those in power and authority (i.e. judges, police) can jeopardize or lose their position if they choose to operate a different way than the government expects from their position of power and authority.

I'll mention a few disobedience acts that adversely affect Christians and can hinder God's power through them, such as...

1. Fellowship with unbelievers (2 Corinthians 6:14)
2. Don't spend time with God to obtain direction (Matthew 6:6).
3. Prefer to follow religion or physical senses or self will
4. Don't offer spiritual sacrifices (1 Peter 2:5).
5. Abuse the temple of God... their bodies (i.e. drinking, smoking, drugs) (1 Corinthians 6:19).
6. Don't worship in spirit and truth (John 4:23).
7. Don't tithe (Malachi 3:10).



As citizens of heaven we have certain rights, powers and authority. We also have duties to perform.

Don't be one of those Christians sitting around in some pew following some misguided religious sense of duty, having no idea of what God really expects of them NOW!

Examine God's Word for your citizenship privileges!

Good Hunting!