

Keys of the Kingdom

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Matthew 16:15-19 NKJV

¹⁵ He said to them, “**But who do you say that I am?**” ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, “**Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.**” ¹⁸ And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ **And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.**”

“whatever you bind upon the earth shall be having been bound in the heavens, and whatever you loose upon the earth shall be having been loosed in the heavens.”

Matt. 6:10 ‘Your kingdom come...on earth as it is in Heaven’

1. Jesus Wants To Give You The **Keys** To A Kingdom

2. The Kingdom is **Supernatural** and Within **Reach**

John 18:36 NKJV ‘My kingdom is not of this world...’

Mark 1:15 NKJV ‘the kingdom of God is at hand...’ (Within reach)

1Cor. 4:20 NKJV For the kingdom of God *is* not in word but in power

3. **Rhema** is the Key

A) Not revealed by flesh and blood.

1 Cor 2:4,5 NKJV

And my speech and my preaching *were* not with persuasive words of human wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ that your faith should not be in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

B) Revelation is a **personal** Word from God.

Romans 10:17 NKJV

So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
Rhema – spoken word or personalized word

Mary - "Let it be to me according to your word." **Luke 1:38**

Paul - "I believe God that it will be just as it was told me." **Acts 27:25**

An Illustration in the Ministry of Jesus

Luke 5:1-11 NKJV

So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, ² and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing *their* nets. ³ Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.

⁴ When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."

⁵ But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless **at Your word** I will let down the net." ⁶ And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. ⁷ So they signaled to *their* partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸ When Simon Peter saw *it*, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!"

⁹ For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also *were* James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." ¹¹ So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.