



KEYS OF THE KINGDOM

Keys Of The Kingdom Series

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Kingdom Authority

The Gospel of Saint Luke 10:13-20, ¹³“Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. ¹⁴But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ¹⁵And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades. ¹⁶“The one who

hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.” ¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸ And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.” May the Lord add His Blessing to the Reading and the Hearing of His Word today, In Jesus Name! Amen.

1. Kingdom Authority in Christ Should be Demonstrated in Power!

- a. Notice verses 17-19, “¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸ And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.”
- b. Jesus expects us to demonstrate His authority in the earth to treat upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy and no attack, not anything, shall hurt us!

- c. Church, stop settling for dead dried up religion and be willing to reembrace and reawaken our collective souls to the reality that there is Power in This Message of the Cross!
- d. Just as the Church at Sardis in the Book of the Revelation! This Church, even in its dead state, still had works to complete in the sight of God because there was still a prophetic destiny for this dead church and that includes dead and dried up Christians!
- e. It's amazing how Christ doesn't excuse this Church from its divine purpose simply because of it being found in a dead state; He was still expecting Sardis to pull itself back together and finish the race. And He is still expecting us today to pull ourselves back together and finish the race!!!
- f. Just because something may be dead doesn't mean its done; there was still life in this dead Church and there may be some of you that feel that you are dead and dried up and God can't use you anymore but I'm here to remind you today!
- g. He is still expecting us today to pull ourselves back together and finish the race because there is still embers in the ashes!

h. 2 Timothy 1:6-7, “⁶For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, ⁷for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.”

i. And I just stopped by today for just a little while to remind you to fan into flame! Fan into Flame! Fan into Flame! There are embers in the Ashes!

j. 1 Thessalonians 1:2-6, “²We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly^[b] mentioning you in our prayers, ³remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴For we know, brothers^[b] loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit,”

k. Note how Paul said this in verse 5, Because our Gospel came to you not only in Word, but also in Power and in the Holy Ghost with Full Conviction!!!! It was just in Word but also in Deed!

- l. In power and not just in pandering to a generation that desires Words more than Works! But there was a power and a demonstration and a manifestation of His Glory!!!
- m. Remember that Kingdom Authority in Christ Should be Demonstrated in Power! Point #2...

2. Kingdom Authority in Christ Should be Exhibited with Purpose!

- a. Remember that the Gospel of the Kingdom and demonstration thereof destroys the Works of the Devil!
- b. The Apostle John reveal this to us in 1 John 3:7-8, “⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as he is righteous. ⁸Whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil, for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.”
- c. Christ Jesus came to destroy the works of the Devil and it is our task as well as emissaries of the Kingdom of Heaven in the Earth!
- d. Our Purpose is to continue His Purpose in the Earth! We Preach the Kingdom and we Demonstrate the Power of that Kingdom!

- e. The Demonstration of the Kingdom is a part of the Great Commission! We are not just called to Proclaim but Release Power!
- f. Mark 16:17-20, “¹⁷ And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; ¹⁸ they will pick up serpents with their hands; and if they drink any deadly poison, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover.” ¹⁹ So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰ And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by accompanying signs.”
- g. I want you to remember today that Kingdom Authority Should be Exhibited with Purpose and our Purpose is His Commission!

3. Kingdom Authority in Christ Should be Manifest in Humility!

- a. Our Gifts should never outshine His Glory! I came to challenge us all today including myself that our Gifts is the byproduct of our Names being written in His Book and not the other way around! You need to check today to make sure that you name is written in His book!

- b. But in light of our names being in His book, our Humility, in light of where our name is written, should cause our Gifts to never excuse a spirit that is not right. Not only am I asking you to check your name, I'm also asking you to check your spirit man!
- c. Friends, when we flow in the Holy Ghost, the greatest miracle in the church is not our gifts, our talents or our abilities! The Great Miracle is the source of our power and that Power is found in Christ and in Christ alone! It's the fact that our name is written in His Book.
- d. 2 Timothy 2:20-21, “²⁰ Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and clay, some for honorable use, some for dishonorable. ²¹ Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.”

i. Vessels of Honor Vs. Vessels of Dishonor