



Keys Of The Kingdom

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“... Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it” (Matthew 16:18).

“And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven” (Matthew 16:18-19).

Keys make life easy. Without keys, access to, or escape from a building would be “a tall order”! With keys we open for good and lock out the bad.

Jesus was not referring to physical key in this scripture but the revelation knowledge that Peter had just received, which produced two results:

- 1) A strong stable foundation for building an invincible church, that can withstand the gates of hell.
- 2) Keys of the kingdom for binding and losing, resulting in liberty, victory and dominion.

Ever wondered why God commanded in Romans 12:2 **“And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God”?**

Just as in the physical, the way things really work in practice may not be very obvious if they are driven by the unwritten laws of the society. Taking this higher, the way things work in the physical are not always constrained by physical laws. So, we really need to seek to understand and operate on how things really are, not on how we think they should be based on our knowledge and experiences. This would enable us to tap into the power of God in the supernatural realm for success, guidance, victory, deliverance and dominion.

In Isaiah 55:9 God declared “For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts”. Just imagine how:

- (a) many physical problems we have because we do not think right (Isaiah 48:18);
- (b) much you would enjoy life and be successful if your thoughts agreed with God's thoughts.

It was Albert Einstein who noted that **“Insanity is repeating the same thing over and over, and expecting a different result”**. Such people stumble on the same spot over and over again, without knowing the

source of their problems. It takes divine revelation to recognise the principles that govern success in life, which are paradoxical viz: the way to live is to die; the way up is down; the best way to take care of self is to deny self; the way to be wise is to be foolish; the way to be rich is to become poor; the way to get is to give; the way to hold is to scatter. Ponder over these scriptures:

- 1) Isaiah 59:8 The way of peace they know not; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.
- 2) Luke 19:42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.
- 3) Proverbs 16:25 There is a way that seemeth right unto a man but the end thereof are the ways of death.
- 4) Romans 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.
- 5) Hosea 7:11 Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.
- 6) Isaiah 30:7 For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried concerning this, Their strength is to sit still.
- 7) Job 12:24,25 He taketh away the heart of the chief of the people of the earth, and causeth them to wander in a wilderness where there is no way. 25 They grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to stagger like a drunken man.

Every decision, activity, word, behaviours in life, etc. are driven by our understanding and beliefs. If these are not founded on divine revelation of the truth, they may give a false sense of right when in reality one may be sliding down a slippery spiral slope to disaster. It is time to earnestly seek divine revelation on all aspects of life and follow God's ways, rather than our thoughts. **It's time to grab the heavenly key and unlock our true potentials.**