***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."* Matthew 16:19

*Jesus came into Galilee,* ***preaching the Gospel of the kingdom of God****, And saying, The time is fulfilled, and* ***the kingdom of God is at hand:*** *repent, and believe the Gospel.* Mark 1:14

## The Kingdom of God and You

There are only two kingdoms, and everyone belongs to one. Either you are a citizen of the Kingdom of heaven, or you are a citizen of the kingdom of this world; the kingdom of God, or the kingdom of satan - the kingdom of light, or the kingdom of darkness.

*And He said, "To you it has been given* ***to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God.****"* Luke 8:10. (Ephesians 1:18-19)

## The Authority of The Kingdom Keys

When God gave the keys of the kingdom to His church He was saying, **"I'm giving you something I'm not giving to anyone else in the whole world. Do something with it."**

**Jesus defines the Church's Authority** – *"I will give you the keys of the kingdom."* By preaching the gospel, we open and shut the doors of heaven. Kingdom keys enable **the unlocking of prison doors,** and setting free those who are bound.

Warfare only takes place between two undefeated foes. Once an enemy has been conquered, the war is over. Satan is a defeated foe.

- Keys establish possession.
- Keys permit passage. Revelation 3:7
- Keys speak of our privilege and partnership with Christ.

## How to Use The Kingdom Keys

The use of the keys is a choice that requires faith and resolve.

The use of the keys **will attract** _____.

**Core Point: We have an authorized connection to the real but invisible Kingdom of God. When we use our Kingdom keys, we bridge the power of God's Kingdom into our lives and into the world around us.**

## The Threefold Master Key

There are three major spiritual realities that combine together to be an unconquerable force in the life of a Christian. You can think of them together as forming a three-sided master key of God's Kingdom.

- The perfect power of **God's Word**. Hebrews 4:12
- The total authority of the **name of Jesus**. Mark 16:17
- Our redemption and our covenant by the **blood**. Rev. 12:11

## Spiritual Actions that Release Authority

2 Corinthians 10:4-5

There are major spiritual actions that combine together to be an unconquerable force in the life of a Christian.

### 1. Persistent believing prayer in the name of Jesus. Mark 11:24

**Know your prayers always are effective.** For many believers, prayer remains a matter of guesswork, but the power of prayer is to become **a conviction in your soul**. The Holy Spirit incarnates this truth in your heart and gives confidence that prayer really does work. (James 4:3)

- Be _____ in your prayers.
- **Use the prayer of agreement.** Matt. 18:18-19

### 2. Speak the Word with the **Command of Authority**.

*And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak.* 2 Corinthians 4:13 (Mark 11:23)

**God never makes exceptions to authority issues.** Your mouth establishes who and what you give authority to.

### 3. Use Spiritual discernment and walk in the Spirit.

Our actions are to be spiritual, this is where the victory is.

*It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh conveys no benefit [it is of no account]. The words I have spoken to you are Spirit and life.* John 6:63

### 4. Use the power of Worship and Praise.

*God is Spirit, and those who worship Him* ***must worship in Spirit and truth****.* John 4:24

**Core Statement: I am a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven! I have been authorized to use the Keys of His Kingdom to set the captives free, and unlock Heaven's best in my life, and in the lives of all who receive the Good News of Christ!**