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Keys To The Kingdom

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☐Matt 16:19 NLT☐

**19** And I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Whatever you forbid on earth will be forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven.”

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# What are the Keys?

Keys are used to give access

Keys are used to deny access

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Keys represent:

- ❖ Power
- ❖ Authority
- ❖ Ownership
- ❖ Control

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What do Keys of the Kingdom represent?

- ❖ Keys are principles by which the kingdom of God operates.
- ❖ Laws, Government, Systems, Function, Values

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# God's Government

The Church has been given a position of authority and the keys to God's Kingdom.

It is the instrument through which the spiritual doors to the Kingdom would be opened to the nations of the world.

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**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. [Matt 16]

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**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.” [Matt 16:18-19]

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In this passage Jesus revealed that Peter would be one of the spiritual foundation stones of the first church. This meant he would be a vital part of its growth and development. Peter's name actually meant "a rock" or "stone."

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Jesus was not saying that he would build the Church on Peter

He was also not saying that Peter would be the first Pope

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Jesus said of Himself, "...upon *this* rock I will build my Church" indicating that the Church would derive its existence from Him.

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Jesus would be *the* foundation rock upon which the Church was built.

Peter would be a lesser stones but very much instrumental in laying the foundations of the early church.

Jesus Himself was the Chief Cornerstone on which the structure of the Church was to be built.

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Peter opened doors of the kingdom to the Jews in Acts 2:38-39.

3,000 souls were added to the kingdom that day.

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Peter later opened the doors of the kingdom to the Gentiles in Acts 10:34-44.

### **Peter preached to Cornelius' Household**

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter opened *his* mouth and said: "In truth I perceive that God shows no partiality. <sup>35</sup> But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him.

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Jesus gave permission and the authority to the apostles to make the rules for the early church. This includes the inspired writings that would guide all generations of Christians.

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**28** For it seemed good to the Holy Spirit, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things: **29** that you abstain from things offered to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. [Acts 15:28-29]

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The authority that Peter received from Christ was not just given to him.

Jesus reiterates this authority to the Church government in [Matt 18:15-18]

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**15** “Moreover if your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he hears you, you have gained your brother. **16** But if he will not hear, take with you one or two more, that ‘by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.’ **17** And if he refuses to hear them, tell *it* to the church. But if he refuses even to hear the church, let him be to you like a heathen and a tax collector.

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**18** “Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

**19** “Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. **20** For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”

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Deut 19:15

**15** “One witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any sin that he commits; by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established.

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# Keys to enter the Kingdom:

- ❖ Repentance
- ❖ Be Born Again
- ❖ Treasures in Heaven
- ❖ Enter Strait Gate – Narrow Road

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**23** Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few be saved?”

He replied, **24** “Work hard to enter the narrow door to God’s Kingdom, for many will try to enter but will fail. **25** When the master of the house has locked the door, it will be too late. You will stand outside knocking and pleading, ‘Lord, open the door for us!’ But he will reply, ‘I don’t know you or where you come from.’” [Luke 13:24-25]

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God desires for us to enter the Kingdom

**32** “Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.