



I. **Matthew 16:13-19**

A. Flesh & Blood....Father in Heaven

1. Going From Natural Knowledge to Rhema Knowledge
  - Do you know Jesus only at a “Surface” Level?
  - Or Do you know Him like Peter did? There was something definitive in Peter’s response that ignited a greater response from Jesus. (You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God!) (I KNOW THAT I KNOW...!)
2. Moving from knowing Jesus as your Savior to Making Him your Lord!
  - \* *Peter’s commitment was greater than most, and it showed...*
  - \* *Peter was the one that walked on water; he was one of 3 disciples chosen that was taken to the mountain where he saw Moses & Elijah. Peter was also the one who rebuked Jesus; he was the one who cut off the ear of a soldier who was coming to take Jesus away from them; and he was the one who denied him 3 times.*
  - \* *In all his failures and triumphs before the cross, Peter’s revelation is what took him to have power on earth to accomplish greater things after the cross: He stood up on the day of Pentecost and delivered a message that struck the heart of every person that heard it and 3000 souls were saved that day. Peter’s walk with the Lord was so entwined with God’s Glory that people came from all quarters in hopes that his shadow would touch them. (Acts 5:14-16)*

B. The Keys

1. Remember, *When you find out who God is, He will reveal to you who you are!*
2. Keys – what do they do? They lock and they unlock.
3. How do we bind and loose? Answer: The Sword of the Spirit
  - In the Spirit, what did John see coming out of the mouth of Jesus?
  - Every word you speak has power; when you speak the Word of God (The Sword of the Spirit)....with conviction like Peter did, things move!

- Confession of Faith: Death and Life are in the power of my tongue. I speak life to my body, strength to my mind, overflow to my finances. When I speak in agreement with God’s Word, things move.

II. Jesus & You....Victors in both heaven and earth

A. **Jesus**

1. The statement of the day: **Matthew 28:18** “All *power (ability, mastery, and authority)* has been given to me in heaven and in earth.”

2. Jesus could make this statement because he now had something in his possession he did not have before: The Keys (**Revelation 1:18**)

B. **You**

1. **Galatians 3:29** (*Heir: Inheritor/a person legally entitled to the property or rank of another on that person's death.*)
2. Unlike heirship in this world, Jesus not only died, but He rose from the grave and conquered death and He is now seated at the right hand of God overseeing and making intercession on behalf of your covenant rights!
3. Guess who else is seated with Jesus? Because Jesus has the keys...you now have the keys (the same power that raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you).

C. **Revelation 12:7-11**

1. The war: Satan was cast out 2000 years ago (after the resurrection) and there is no longer any **PLACE** (*License or opportunity*) for him in heaven. Why is this important? *Before the cross, Satan had the legal right to go into heaven at his will; after the cross, you have the legal right to go to the throne room at your will!*
2. *"Now is come...."* (Look at every word: **Salvation, Strength, Kingdom, Power**) (*These are the words that should always be on your lips!*)
3. *How do we overcome? The Blood and The Word* (Accept what His Blood has done, Declare it with conviction and trust, Receive your Promise).