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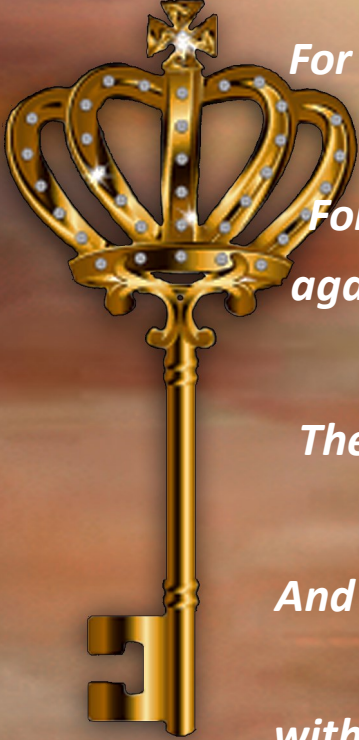
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*For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they
are the sons of God.*

*For ye have not received the spirit of bondage
again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of
adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.*

*The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit,
that we are the children of God:*

*And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint
-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer
with him, that we may be also glorified together.*

Romans 8:14-17



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Are We Changing Any Atmospheres? If so HOW?

Minister Donna Richardson Jones
1Samuel 16:23

As you will remember God had chosen Saul to be King after the children of Israel insisted upon a King. King Saul loved God but walked in disobedience, jealousy, and a spirit of hate that led to the attempted murder of David. But before all of this God had so anointed David. David was a true worshiper from the heart. As a result King Saul was tormented by evil spirits and his servants suggested David become a minstrel of worship to free Saul of the evilness. As David played the harp the whole atmosphere was electrified by the Presence and peace of God. CAN YOU IMAGINE?!?! David carried such an Anointing that the evil spirits had to flee. In James 4:7 it says 'Resist the devil and he will flee' and in Psalm 22:3 (paraphrase) God inhabits the praises of His people. We find further confirmation in Psalm 16:11 In His presence is fullness of joy. When Paul and Silas begin to sing the prison doors opened, Acts 16. PRAISE WILL CHANGE THE ATMOSPHERE. Are you changing your atmosphere and that of others? If your church is dry- change the atmosphere with praise. If your family won't join you in praise at home- praise alone until the atmosphere changes them. LORD GRACE US TO WORSHIP YOUR HOLINESS UNTIL THE ATMOSPHERE CHANGES! WE DECREE WE ARE ATMOSPHERE CHANGERS FOR YOUR GLORY.

**23 Whenever God's spirit came to Saul,
David took the lyre and strummed a tune.
Saul got relief from his terror and felt
better, and the evil spirit left him.**



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A Record of Hope

Dr. Claude A. Dangerfield II

God is a God of transformation meaning that whatever state of being you find yourself in today doesn't have to remain your condition. When you make up in your mind that you truly desire a different life and move towards God and repent (the killing of pride and self-will) you can then step into a new beginning (rebirth). Here is something that you must truly understand it is an inward outward change.

Understand that you may have changed, but others are still dealing with the memories of the remnant of the former you. So acceptance of the new you has to be proven. So your new life has to become reflective of this new change and this is where your growth comes in. This process will develop humility within you which is not a weakness but the beginning of new strength. By humbling yourself with regards to unfavorable events of your past creating a path of healing and forgiveness and continued self-assessment in order not to retain those dark chapters as chains but rather stepping stones to new elevations in Him. Who has brought you out of the darkness into this wonderful light which exposes your true purpose in which God has created you for in this time in which you live.

Coming to the understanding that every day that you are blessed to awaken is an opportunity for a new beginning. So don't allow fear of rejection from those whom you see hinder you from this one crucial step that can change everything about you within a moment. Trust in the one God who has created you and has place purpose and potential within you from the foundation of the world.

The scriptures tell us to trust in the Lord with all our hearts and lean not to our own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your path. Feel free to share this explanation with someone who you know that may be stuck in a place of transition and is hopefully looking and seeking direction. That these words may unlock the mental and emotional shackles that have them bond. When we transform our perception of looking at things and change the narrative of how we speak about things. Then we can truly experience a Transformation.

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Keys To The Kingdom

Apostle Jesse Griffin

When we say the words "key" or "keys," it creates the imagery of a key that is used that fits into a lock. As we know, locks are used to secure something in or keep something out.

In order to open that which is locked, there must be a key or granted authorization to open up what is closed.

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When we read the Word of God, we see references to "KEYS". One of the most well known verses comes from Matthew 16:19, *"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."*

In this passage, Christ is telling Peter "I will give to you, Peter, the Keys of the Kingdom." When the Lord speaks these words, He was not yet able to give Peter those keys, as He still needed to go to the cross to pay for the sins of mankind. The death, burial and resurrection still had to happen. In order for this authority to be released, Christ had to descend, resurrect, and ascend.

In my opinion, Matthew 16:19 is one of the most misquoted verses of the Bible. Many tend to teach this as a warfare scripture. This passage is actually about teaching and preaching.

It was a Rabbinical commissioning to preachers that gave them the right to teach others. In this, they were given the right to teach what was prohibited and what was permitted. What they would teach would trigger a response from the Kingdom and would be mirrored in Heaven.

Many understand this to mean the ability to open or shut the door on who could or could not enter into the House of the Lord. In the same way the saved can enter the Kingdom, the unsaved are locked out.

It is the governing authority of The Kingdom being instituted to the Church.

According to Isaiah 22:22, The key of the house of David I will lay on his shoulder; So he shall open, and no one shall shut; And he shall shut, and no one shall open. Revelation 3:7 also says, "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens".

This is a governing scripture that reveals the ability to open and shut doors.

In ancient times, a key was not just a key like we think of today. It was actually similar to a plaque that was carried upon the shoulder that the individual carrying was an authorized governing official. They had the authority to walk about and enter in and out of places, because they bore the seal of the king or the government they represented.

We will see in a moment that Christ bore the government upon His shoulder. As He carried the cross and won the victory, He grants and gives permission to His followers and called ones to carry the government too.

The word "key" in Isaiah 22:22 is the word "mapteach" it literally means "an opener."

It is the same word to describe the responsibility of the Levites to open the temple in 1 Chronicles 9:27. *And they (Levites) lodged all around the house of God because they had the responsibility, and they were in charge of opening (mapteach) it every morning.*

We do not just have the charge to open up the house of the Lord, but we are to open up the Kingdom of God.

When we make mention of the word "kingdom", we can generate a different thought based on culture and where we were born and raised.

In the general sense of the word "kingdom", it means a country, state, or territory ruled by a king or queen.

The Apostle Peter was told he would receive keys to the "Kingdom". What are these keys and to what extent are they to be used? What were they to be used for? What was Peter going to be authorized to unlock?

All human governments have terms that define positions of authority and the boundaries or extent of their rule. They are to understand extent and limitations of their authority.

We must understand that we can overreach our boundaries when it comes to power and authority. At the same time though, many never exercise faith to begin to demonstrate what they have been given. They are coming up short of the fullness of potential, because of a lack of understanding.

We have natural governments and authorities that we can see. However, as the Church, we must grow in an understanding of The Kingdom of God. It is an Authority that is unseen, but can be felt.

At its very best, human efforts at governing come up short. It is flawed because of the fall of man. Even the most brilliant minds cannot carnally put into place what is spiritually needed for the sake of humanity.

In the Book of Isaiah, we catch a glimpse into the role of Christ in the Earth in regards to the Kingdom of God:

Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of His government and peace There will be no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

In verse 6, we see that this prophecy is about the coming Redeemer.

Isaiah releases names and character traits that define who He is. In verse 7, we see the results of Him conquering the grave.

Isaiah prophesies the promise of the increase of His government and peace. One thing that human government is unable to do is bring about permanent and eternal peace.

The government of The King of kings creates peace, because it is founded upon the sacrifice and the atonement of the Lamb that breaks down the middle wall of partition. For the repentant and those that confess Him, the enmity has been destroyed. The handwriting on the wall against us has been removed. We can now celebrate Him and each other.

The result of conquering over hell and death is that there will be a release of power into His government. His Kingdom will advance, go forth, multiply, and it will increase. Where does this increase take place? It is happening in the Earth - in the heart of mankind. In His Government, there shall be no end. It is Eternal.

This victory will establish authority on the throne of David. The lineage of the tribe of Judah will rise, roar and rule. Those that connect with the Savior are now part of an unstoppable eternal Kingdom. We feel and see the rule of His authority and Government.

How do we feel and see the impact of this Kingdom? The impact is felt and seen when the principles of its Government is received among men.

The purpose of this is to bring order by establishing The Kingdom with judgment and justice.

When we read Matthew 6:33, it says, *"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."*

We are to seek after the Kingdom first and His righteousness.

When we say "Kingdom", we are speaking about:

1. The Rule
2. The Realm
3. The Royalty
4. The Reign of the King

When we seek righteousness, we are asking for that which is morally correct. We are asking for that which lines up with Christ. We are asking for the Law and the Law Giver. We are asking for the Word: The One who came in the Flesh. We are crying out and yearning for that which represents His nature. We are saying, "King of the

universe, give to me Your character, wisdom, knowledge, understanding, justice, mercy and righteousness."

When Christ came, He said in John 14:6, *"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man comes unto the Father, but by me."*

When Christ laid down His life, it was for the purpose of Him becoming "The Key" that unlocks access to The Father.

Who was this key for?

This key or revelation was to bring the unsaved into the understanding of who Jesus is, and what He had done on their behalf.

Luke 16:16 says, *The law and the prophets were until John. Since that time the kingdom of God has been preached, and everyone is pressing into it.*

He became "The Key" and then distributed keys to His Apostles.

That same anointing is still available to the Church today.

What keys did Christ give?

He gave the Keys of revealing the Gospel of Good News. The ability to reveal Himself and His work on the cross. This ability is given to reveal Christ to the world and unsaved. Once individuals can see, then The Lord can begin to build them and place them in His Body. Matthew 16:18 says, "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."

The Church becomes the increase of the government of God and peace on the Earth. She becomes the visible and tangible existence of the Kingdom operating before mankind.

In the Upper Room, in Acts 2, the Holy Spirit poured out filling the apostles and all who were present. Once this new power and assurance was in and upon them, they began to understand all that had been prophesied and spoken to them. They were now ready to unlock the Kingdom to the world.

Opening the Kingdom to the Jews

In Acts 2, it is Peter who explains to the Jews that King Jesus is on the throne, and that in Him and in all who believe in Him, the Kingdom of Heaven has arrived (Acts 2:30-36).

Peter explains in his sermon that the coming of the Holy Spirit indicates that the rule of God on Earth had arrived (Acts 2:17-21). Peter indicates later that he knows this message will be spread further, to those who are afar off, to whomever God may call (Acts 2:39).

Opening the Kingdom to the Samaritans

In Acts

8, Philip, one of the early church leaders, preaches the gospel to the Samaritans, and, right in line with the statement from Jesus about the church storming the gates of hell, unclean spirits are cast out of people, and the lame are healed (Acts 8:7).

When the apostles in Jerusalem hear about this, they send Peter and John to Samaria. Why? To use the keys of the kingdom to open the gates of hell which imprison the Samaritans. This is exactly what Peter does in Acts 8:17, with the laying on of hands so that the Samaritans also receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Opening the Kingdom to the Gentiles

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ly, Peter opens the door to the Gentiles in Acts 10:24-48. A Gentile named Cornelius summons Peter, and after Peter explains the gospel to him and his family, they believe, and the Holy Spirit comes upon them all just as it did with the Jews and with the Samaritans.

Peter had used the "Keys" of the Kingdom he was given. Do we?

Matthew 28:18 says, And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on Earth.

19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

Before we can receive The Kingdom of God, we must pass through the Lamb. We must walk through the Door and enter the Way. We then embrace the Truth which allows us to fully receive Life.

We read in the Book of revelation Christ's declaration of victory.

Revelation 1:18 "I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

The Keys of the Kingdom are given to open up the mystery of who Jesus is. He wants every person to escape the prison of Hell and the affects of sin that leads to death.

Romans 16:25 says, *Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began.*

The revelation of Jesus had been locked away or shut up. It had been "kept secret". This term literally means kept silent or to shut the mouth.

Now that Christ fulfilled His work on the cross, the Holy Spirit has been given and full access has been granted.

As believers, we are not called to be silent, but to boldly open our mouths as led by the Holy Spirit to bear witness of Him.

When we do this, we point the way to Christ who grants access to the Father. When we receive salvation, we receive the Kingdom.

Let us make sure we are mobilized and not paralyzed.

We must become completely set on fire by the revelation of who Christ is. In the days when Messiah walked the Earth, many were blind and could not see Him or His mission. Many became a hindrance to those who wanted to enter into the Kingdom.

Luke 11:52 says, *"Woe to you lawyers! For you have taken away the key of knowledge. You did not enter in yourselves, and those who were entering in you hindered."*

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Key to the Kingdom

Activating and Understanding the Perspective... From Layperson to Leadership

By Eunice A. Christian
February 1, 2020

Revelation 1:18 ~ ¹⁸ *I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.*

Matthew 16:19 ~ ¹⁶And Simon Peter answered and said, *Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.* ¹⁷And Jesus answered and said unto him, *Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.*** 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.*****

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INTRODUCTION

This month's theme is: *Activating and Understanding the Keys to the Kingdom; looking at it from the layperson to the leadership.* Before you read further, *what are your initial thoughts pertaining to the Keys of the Kingdom?*

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Activating

I would like to start by expanding upon segments of this article's theme. Clearly, the word *activating* is an action word; a verb. When referenced to something or someone, *activating* signifies that something or someone is in the process of being energized; that it is in motion; stirred up. So, in regards to this month's theme, if someone is *activating the Keys to the Kingdom*, that person is in possession of tools that enables access to God's kingdom.

Understanding

Understanding, also an action word, is the state of comprehending or knowing. So, *understanding the Keys to the Kingdom* would imply that one is exercising a fundamental level of knowledge and information upon what it takes to attain entry into the Kingdom of God.

What I believe is important to note as it pertains to the Keys to the Kingdom is this: Just because someone has spiritual gifts or the ability to activate and understand what the Key to the Kingdom entails, it does not mean that this person is a willing or an acceptable vessel for doing so. Case in point: We have a great understanding about a multitude of issues (i.e., politics, marriage, religion). There are many who would denounce one, if not all, of the above examples. Therefore, knowledge and understanding does not necessarily mean that such information and knowledge will enable one to activate the Keys to the Kingdom, or that it will be a given that one will embrace what the Keys to the Kingdom represent. Another case in point: There are individuals who are considered scholars in institutions of higher learning who study and teach theology, but denounce what Christianity represents. This now leads to the main subject of this article.

Keys to the Kingdom

What are the Keys to the Kingdom? The Keys of the Kingdom is the Holy Spirit, for without the Holy Spirit, we in the flesh cannot attain access to the Kingdom. The Keys of the Kingdom grants us access to the power of God in our lives and the lives of others—to *His glory*. According to the scriptures, this clearly reveals that the Keys to the Kingdom requires the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit—for the Holy Spirit activates and equips us as Believers to call things into existence with power and authority from on high.

To emphasize, *keys* is plural. At first, I readily took the position that it is Jesus the Christ, for no one can get to the Father, except through Him (John 14:6). **Jesus IS the KEY of keys! Jesus has the power to grant His chosen the power to possess the Keys to the Kingdom.**

Matthew 16:19 ¹⁹ *And I [Jesus] 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.*

Understanding and activating the Keys to the Kingdom relies upon God's intervention—for He is omniscience and omnipresent. **Matthew 18:20** ~ ²⁰ *For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them.*

Understanding and Activating

Understanding and activating the keys, regardless as to your title, from layperson to leader, requires the quickening of the Holy Spirit to make you aware of the power of the Living God. Being so empowered develops confidence in knowing that as Believers, our final home is heaven; that this world is not our final destination, and that there is nothing here on earth, or by the gates of Hell, that can prevail against the Kingdom of God, or will change our expected end. Furthermore, for Jesus' name sake, because He died so that we may have right to the Tree of Life. In reverence of Him, so that we may forever partake in thanksgiving to the glory of God. That because of The Great Commission, Jesus' living and death is not in vain. That we, Jesus' remnant, have been given grace beyond comprehension or measure.

John 10:28-30 ~ ²⁸ *And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.* ²⁹ *My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.* ³⁰ *I and My Father are One.*

One can fully understand the Keys to the Kingdom, but it requires one to be engaged with the Holy Spirit. This is supported by the Word. Jesus shared with His disciples after He rose from the tomb that He needed to go, not only so that He could fulfill the scriptures by claiming the keys to Hades and Death, but to also make way for the Comforter to come. This is where many get sidelined. God the Father knows who are His and who are not. There are many that understand just what it takes to take on the persona of one who knows how to, and is engaged in, activating the Keys to the Kingdom; however, their hearts are cold and they reflect it by their actions

(Matthew 10:16). We will know them by their fruits (Matthew 7:15-23). They understand how to actively deceive some of God's elect. That is why we should not place our total trust in flesh; we should only place our full trust in God. As it is written, **Many are called, but few are chosen** (Matthew 22:14).

Dream House Keys

It is easy to relate to something that is seen, so let's look at it from the perspective of the key to your dream home. You first visualized it—then one day—wow! You saw the light! In passing, you saw the nightlight of the house you want, but it was not available to enter in—not just yet. 😊 Fast forward, learning that it was for sale, and then truly going fast forward, you close the deal. You had a brief encounter with this dream house—you had a vision, and then saw your vision manifest. You exercised your ability to claim ownership. *You now possess the keys! How do you activate the power of the keys?* You place them inside the keyhole, or utilize the device that has the ability to open the door, according to the instructions of the device, so that you can enter in.

Why all of this explaining as though you don't know what goes into using keys? It is because when thinking things through detail by detail, activating and understand the Keys to the Kingdom, from the layperson to the leader, it is the same for everyone. As it is written in, in particular, in the New Testament, prestige or position does not signify an immediate gain or access to the Kingdom of God. Traits that may be considered contrary to leadership—such as having humility and taking on the likeness of a child—will more readily enable one to gain access to the Kingdom than someone who considers himself or herself righteous.

Matthew 18:1-7 ~ ¹ At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, *Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?* ² Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, ³ and said, **Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.** ⁴ **Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.** ⁵ **Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.** ⁶ **But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea.** ⁷ **Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!**

Layperson to Leader

Regardless as to how one perceives him— or herself—whether as a layperson or as a leader (we are all laypersons or leaders; I believe it is a matter of perspective), we are only capable of activating the Keys to the Kingdom via the power of the Holy Spirit. It is God's realm; and nothing ungodly will enter in—surely, the adversary cannot move or enter into God's realm if He does not allow it. *How does one block their ability to activate and understand the Keys to the Kingdom?* One does so by not receiving Jesus the Christ as personal Lord and Savior. Worse, denying the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 12:31-32 ~ ³¹ **Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven men.** ³² **Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.**

To share, while it may be a play on words for some, I believe it is important to note that activating and understanding can be transposed; depending upon one's walk—first *understanding* and then *activating*), when becoming hearers and doers of the Word of God. I believe a person can be used by God without even realizing or understanding that is the case. The Living Word shares that *many are called, but few are chosen*. There will be individuals who will not receive our Lord and Savior, yet God, through His Holy Spirit, can engage that person to do an act that glorifies Him.

One of the greatest examples in the Holy Bible about Jesus giving someone the access to the Kingdom is when Jesus was being crucified between two criminals on the cross. One mocked Jesus; the other showed Jesus much respect. This criminal even chastised the other for his disrespect. Without having a title signifying leadership, the criminal who demonstrated respect for Jesus was able to obtain access to the Kingdom. Jesus told the one who repented of his actions that he will be with Him that day in paradise (Luke 23:43).

Stir Up The Gift!

In the earlier stage of writing this article, the song, *Stir up the Gift*, lyrics by Joe Pace (2001), came to mind. (*Stir up the Gift...Lay your hands on me...Never will I be afraid...Stir up the Gift! I love it!*) A point that is important to emphasize is this: Regardless as to whether you consider yourself a layperson or a leader, according to the scriptures, we Believers will get there the same way in Christ Jesus. Jesus is the Key that unlocks the door. We cannot enter in without going through Him first. Someone may be blessed with spiritual gifts that takes or can take them far and beyond another in ministry, but as long as we believe in the Savior, and have faith in Him as the One who is able to keep us from falling, we are in the same position—we are in this together.

To elaborate, it is not contingent upon one's socio-economic or culture, or other flesh-imposed limitations or boundaries—the New Testament is what presents this blessed assurance. As long as we are equipped with the Holy Spirit, our Comforter; having an understanding and willingness to activate the powers bestowed upon us by The Creator, we have a God-given right and access to the Tree of Life! Whether a layperson or a leader...by the grace of God, we can attain Keys to the Kingdom.

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Stay Encouraged

We cannot truly fathom how great our Lord and God is, but what we can identify with is our Lord and our God's mercies towards us. Knowing that there are recorded accounts of how Jesus walked this earth—and knowing how He lived and died for us—should cause us to serve Him with an abundance of gratitude and humility. We know that we could never repay Him for what He has done, and continues to do for us, by the power of the Holy Spirit—we know this—but the way we can honor Him is to love and obey Him.

We should, therefore, be willing to spread the gospel so that the Holy Word may be received by all who will believe—and for those who truly believe, may we rejoice together, and be continually encouraged in knowing that we have a glorious expected end in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:14-16 ¹⁴Do all things without complaining and disputing, ¹⁵that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.

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There is no greater gift than the power of God's redemption.

So, if you've have not done so already, give your heart to Jesus while you still have time.

Have a transformed mind, look to Jesus.

Be blessed and be a blessing. ❤️

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The Set of Keys

Dr. C. A. Dangerfield II

There is an abundance of wisdom that can be obtained when we pay attention to the simplest details in our lives. It's funny how God puts the answers right in front of us. But yet we do not see them because we are not fully focused, very distracted, or have allowed ourselves to be overcome with anxiety and an abundance of fear. A majority of times the answers are within the problems and the remedies are within life's lessons because they do possess solutions to the current life lesson.

The Bible states that there is nothing new under the sun, well that leads me then to believe that this situation or circumstance is just a recycled event that just happened to land on my path as a riddle to be solved. When you think about it in that way then we understand it comes down to perception. How I view it is how I will pursue it to gain a solution. Life's lessons provide us with experiences that develop into wisdom and stores within us knowledge giving one greater understanding. So what that also teaches us, if we can understand the lesson through the learning process is "Every Day that we are blessed to Awaken is an Opportunity for a New Beginning!" The question then becomes what are the important keys found within this statement of fact. Some will understand it immediately and others will have to repeat the words over and over until it soaks into their spirit and they access the key and open the once closed door.

The new question is what is on the other side? Hint: The answers in the statement.

Prayer and quiet times are vital for recharging oneself especially when we spend time with the source of our very existence, God our Creator and Father of us all. But we can't obtain the benefit of that until we first acknowledge the fact that we know and understand without any doubt that this is who He is to each one of us. This is called having a relationship. When we have a relationship it comes with the benefits of so much more. A few things would be that we learn, trust and love. Which creates a devotion to one another. Just as a little child does with their parents after birth. There is a bond form during the nurturing and no matter how old you get, you will always seek and yearn for that nurturing.

Here also is another life lesson I have gained access to by focusing on the detail of what I have been blessed to see, observe and draw from. This story I'm about to share is full of deeper meaning depending on your perception and what you can take away from it. Reading it now might give you one thing and come back to reading it again may provide a different take away at another time. Yes, another take away of wisdom from the same experience. Let this thought marinade with you a well so you savor the favor.

About twenty years ago I was blessed to receive a promotion on my job which took me to another state, which took me out of my comfort zone. Because I really didn't really know anyone other than those who had also received a similar opportunity within this company expansion. What was different for me though is I enjoyed going to church and being involved. Well, that has now changed for me. "How can I sing when I'm in a strange land" so to speak. But fortunately, my former Pastor would direct me to a church within the organization with the same principles in which he himself had been developing in me.

Later I would come to understand the benefits behind it and the meaning with this passage of scripture found in Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts I think towards you sayeth the Lord thought of peace and not of evil to give you the expected end." It would later illuminate Psalms 23:4 "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

So not really knowing what was on the horizon for me I attended this church and the life lessons followed. I must also interject that the understanding didn't always come immediately but when I started to understand various aspects of what transpired it spoke volumes and is still speaking today.

So while in this ministry there is the head deacon and he would download in me some very valuable golden nuggets for life. They were proven valuable because they came from his experiences that were rich in wisdom and knowledge.

I would later understand that I was an assignment for him to download somethings. He had a variety of talents and interests, but one of the main things in conversation was about our integrity and availability to God.

One of the main things about this man was that he had possession of many keys which he carried on his side, three rings one personal, one for the two church building, and another one with what I would call miscellaneous keys. What would simply blow my mind was the fact that each of these keyrings housed a minimum of twenty some odd key or more and he knew exactly what key was on which ring. He could find the exact key needed in a matter of seconds and gain access to any place he needed to enter. Hold that thought.

There was also at this church an Elder who was gifted in the Word of God, in such a way that when he would teach he could recall passages of scripture to their precise location in the Bible and any corresponding passage of scripture anywhere in the Bible to back up his point. This was a gift I desired but it was also a fulfilled passage of scripture to be applied in order to receive. 2 Timothy 2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," This was his keys that he chose to possess to gain access to the spiritual doors of wisdom.

One thing that was common in both is their level of confidence in God as shown through their integrity displayed before others. Even to the natural blessing that God afforded them which was never their focal point or avenue of boasting. The focused on the teaching of His word and demonstration of its power through the life they were living day in and day out. The Word of God is the treasure they possessed.

It is through their lives I witness and gain an understanding of the importance of the knowledge of keys and even the understanding of paying attention to details. Even when I get slightly off track today. My helpmate in the person of my wife utters the phrase "Pay attention to the details." Which takes me back to these experience which lines me up to the importance of the key factors in my life that continue to open doors of opportunity in which God is granting me access to elevation in Him.

So I would say to you today say focused, understand the keys that are in your possession, the nature of their importance as they pertain to you. Learn of the unique access point and the lessons that each provide, not just for yourself but for that divine assignment and time that is placed on your path to be a blessing to another and not a curse.

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Keys Allow Access

Dr. C. A. Dangerfield II

When I think about the word keys I also think about the word access meaning to open something for the purpose to gain entrance to a place that has been locked. My thoughts also ask a question as to why this area is locked or restricted. Well, there could be a number of reasons to justify such an action by the owner. 1. That which is on the other side of such an entrance could be so valuable it is being protected from being stolen. 2. That which is on the other side could create a certain mishap if it should get into the wrong hands. 3. In order to obtain that which is locked up, you would have to be authorized to gain access to be able to utilize and the bearer of the key has been granted the authorization. Simply because they have been found to be trustworthy enough to gain the privilege to gain entrance. With that being said, what does that say about you or me?

Now it a quick assessment it narrows in on our character as a whole. It also speaks to our integrity as to whether or not we can be view as being one who is trustworthy. Do we have what it takes to safeguard that which is locked up with the same intensity when it is in our care as it had when it was secure and we were given the key? This question speaks to our level of understanding of the expectations that have been afforded to us. Another question would be since it appears that we process this understanding because we have been provided the key. What are the limits if any that we would put forth to protect this most valuable asset?

It gives us something to really think about deeply and for more than just a brief moment. Because I have to have the insight for what if? Not stating that I am fearful but that I understand the value that would be lost should I take a negligent approach with its care. We live in a microwave society where everything can be served up quickly and in a hurry which doesn't really provide a lot of time for thought. We have lost the art of a well-cooked meal that you can first smell the aroma and then savory the flavor of the much-anticipated taste. We have grown accustomed to quick and fast, and lack of patience. But, that sometimes comes with a level of disappointment because it's lacking something. That feeling of care.

Care is what has kept that which requires a key and should be accessed by one who is mature enough to understand the responsibility that goes along with the honor found with having possession of the said key. Think about it this way for a few minutes your parents would not give you the keys to the family car or even their specialty car had they not trusted the fact you had shown yourself to be mature and trustworthy to return it that same way it was given to you when they gave you access to the keys. Someone gives you access to a property full of valuable articles to them to watch and care for again this speaks to your integrity.

Our Heavenly Father has given us keys to access his toolbox to go about doing things in this realm called earth. With these tools, he doesn't want us to mishandle them or mislay them down haphazardly and not remember where they are. He has entrusted us to work diligently on the task at hand that He would find good pleasure in the outcome of our labor. He has placed within us the necessary skills to fulfill the task and has also gone even further to provide a manual should we need to have a review of a certain process. He even went a little further to provide a Helpline should we find it needful to call in and have the expert guide through the proper steps. So it's not that we are unequipped to fulfill the tasks. We just need to understand that we already have just what we need.

There are keys available to unlock many doors to assist us in the up building of the Kingdom of God here on earth. We must also come to realize that prayer is always a key and the key of faith will unlock many doors that give us the initial access to do the will of Father through Christ at the leading of the Holy Spirit. Again I say to you "We just need to understand that we already have just what we need." The Bible states in all thy getting, get an understanding. We must make ourselves available to receive and then we must set aside time to study so that we can transform ourselves by the renewing of our minds in order to see what is already in front of us to obtain, which is our true inheritance. Then this way we can complete the passage of scripture in Romans 12:2 which states "...that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. Fulfilling our Purpose!

Father God in the name of Jesus we pray for this one who has taken out this time to read this article that is inspired by you. To gain an understanding and recognize who they are in you and accept your calling to return back to you from the start on this journey call life to fulfill the assignment they were created and equipped for. Recognizing that they may have taken a wrong path or had their way impaired

by not being able to see clearly. Now that they have been able to see that lamp that guides their footsteps through this life that they may now stay focus to complete their journey and to hear your words of Good and faithful servant enter into your reward. We further pray that you would bind any further distractions on their path and that you would camp your angels around them and allow your spirit to lead and guide them to all truths and it is in Jesus' name that we pray. Spirit of the living God falls afresh on us Amen.

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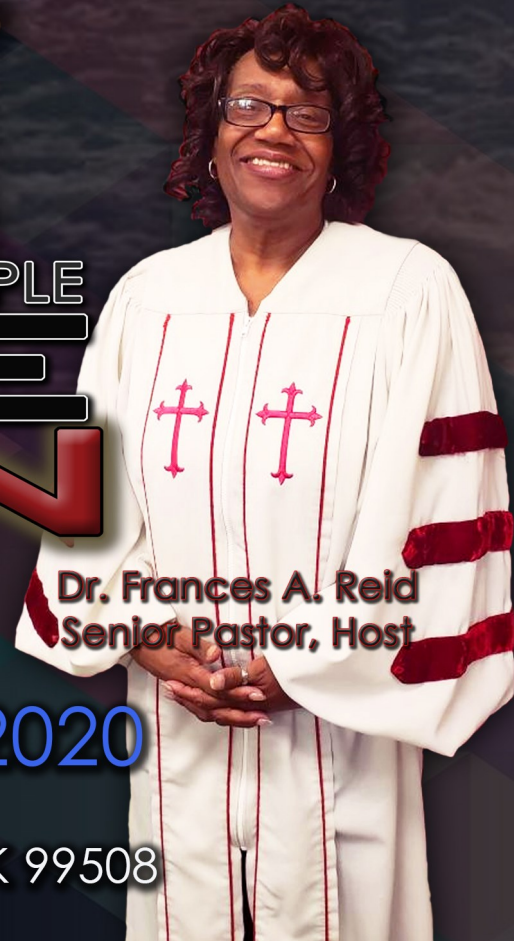
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Activating and Understanding The Keys to the Kingdom

By Elder Diane Harvell

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We must first understand what Jesus meant in **Matthew 16:18** when he told Peter- **"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." v.19-"And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shalt be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."**

Peter was an example of carnal mindedness, he cussed, he rejected Jesus, he tried to idolize Jesus, Moses and Elias, during the transfiguration of three most important leaders that has ever lived, and he even denied knowing Jesus when he was identified as being one of His disciples.

But when Jesus asked, "who do men say that I am?" It was Peter who said, "thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Jesus then called Peter by his holy ghost given name, Simon Barjona and blessed him and told him flesh and blood did not reveal this profound truth unto him but the Father God did who is all wise and all knowing-meaning it was the Spirit of God, the Holy Ghost, who revealed this truth unto Peter and no other! At that moment, Peter's spirit was **activated** by the Holy Ghost!

Then Jesus reverted back and called him Peter and said upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Here, It seems Jesus was being contradictory because now he calls Simon Barjona, Peter again, but we know that he is without sin, so this is what I have found. For years I've always viewed this scripture differently. I thought that because of Peter's revelation knowledge that Jesus is Lord was why Jesus said "upon this rock I will build my church." But I realized, it's not only Simon Barjona's revelation knowledge that makes up the church, but it's Peter who also represents the church which is made up of imperfect people with flaws in our character. But when the Spirit of the Lord reveals to the soul, the love of God, His love will emanate from us and then we will understand who God is and like Peter, we will have first hand knowledge, of what He has delivered us from! It was then when Peter acknowledged who God really was, not who he thought he was but who he actually was because the spirit of the Lord had revealed it to him, it was then Jesus told Peter, I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, **and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shalt be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."**

Jesus, then at that moment, gave us **Authority** over everything in the earth and heaven would obey our commands! So I'm not too impressed with cute spiritual clichés and cute expressions of new year's resolutions that rhyme, when we are not activating the power and authority that was given us a long time ago by Jesus. We were given authority to eliminate the powers of darkness and its influence upon the earth whereby heaven would agree. All we have to do is speak it! My mind and thoughts are in awe as to how that we have this much power that Heaven and earth will obey us yet it seems this great supernatural power has flown right over our heads!! We the church, have the power to bind the acts of the devil and to loose the power of God in its place because that's how powerful God's Holy Spirit is within us! Like Peter, the church, the rock, which Jesus loved, rebuked, and corrected, yet Jesus was elated upon Peter's understanding and knowledge as to who Jesus was. And that's when Jesus gave the church, power and authority, (the keys), to overcome anything and heaven would obey!

So in conclusion, let God activate your Spirit(ual) man, ask Him to fill you with His Spirit, because then and only then, will we understand how much power and authority God has given us, His church to use the keys of the Kingdom right here on Earth and Heaven will agree!

Activate your authority and release the Kingdom of God!

God Bless You All

Elder Diane Harvell



Spring forth in Christ
Stand in your Purpose!

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. *Jeremiah 29:11*

Making The Kingdom of Heaven a Lifestyle.

"Activation and Understanding:

Minister Donna Jones

Let's look a little closer...Sometimes Activating the Kingdom Principles aren't so inviting to the flesh because it takes dying to one's own pleasure and flesh isn't that abiding lol.

I'm sure there are many examples to help us relate. Let's look at a few...

The woman knew that if she poured her oil on the feet of Christ it would bring about some uncomfortable looks but because the inside of her was a longing to bless Jesus nothing else mattered and her life was never the same. She was Kingdom bound and nothing could sway her.

With all the beatings Paul encountered he never gave up kingdom preaching. Though outside he suffered inside he so possessed the Kingdom. He took his authority to do the work of the Kingdom.

Only the Kingdom of God inside of Stephen could cause him to be brutally beaten and tormented yet proclaim "God forgive them." When we think of Kingdom living authority with the understanding a lot of times we see the glamorous part like when Peter and John said "Silver and gold have I none but rise up and walk." Who wouldn't want to have clarity and walk in such dominion but we must also see the price they paid.

I was looking at a video of A A Allen where God allowed oil to come on people's heads and hands and many were healed of course there was great rejoicing but after that he was called a devil and orchestra by many of his peers AND PASTORS.! Not just worldly people but brothers in the Lord. Kingdom living is what God has for us and we must die to self and gain full revelation to realize with great privileges comes great responsibilities. All well worth it.

Father God we decree to walk in the Kingdom Life in every arena of our lives. Spirit, Soul, and Body. In Jesus Holy Name.

Seek God in His Word,

Seek after the fruit of the spirit.

Does your kingdom tree bear peace, joy, temperance, kindness, goodness, love, faithfulness, patience, and gentleness

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With that I remind you again that God has graciously blessed Malory with the gift of life and she will follow Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

But you are responsible to do your part as well in rearing her. Rear her to be not only a child of knowledge and grace, but a child of faith.

ability and gladly accept it as gathered here today?
 Bishop Carlton L Williams

Baby Dedication for Malory

Scripture: Psalms 127:1-5
 1 Samuel 1:27-28

Minister Shermel Epps
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Statement of Intent: Bishop Carlton L Williams

God established the home as one of the most vital institutions on earth. God said to Adam and Eve, "Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth." Since that time, God has blessed man and woman with the wonder of birth.

We can take our rule of faith and practice for this service this morning from God's Word, the Bible! We find several accounts in the Bible of children being dedicated to God. Samuel was dedicated to God in 1 Samuel 1:20-28; Jesus was dedicated to God in Luke 2:22, 23.

So we come today, not only to ask God's special blessing on this life, but also to challenge and encourage the Mother and God Parents to love and care for Malory and give her every opportunity to live the kind of life that God wants her to live.

So in this act of dedication, I ask these questions:
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Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. - Heb. 4:16 KJV

Have you ever worked on a job and was told to go into a certain room to retrieve something that you may have what you need to complete a task, only to find out that you needed access to the room using a code, key, or written notice? The sad thing about that is that you really needed what was in the room but had to return back down the long hall without it.

It is the same when it comes to us and God and the many blessings that God has for us. Many are trying to come to God any kind of way. Others are trying to barge their way right into Heaven into the presence of God without having access granted to them. God knows that they are in need of something, but without permission, without that granted access they become trespassers or burglars. Hebrews 4 tells us about coming to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy. How do we come to the throne of grace with confidence? The only way to get into Heaven into the presence of God is by faith. Hebrews 11:6 tells us "Without faith it is impossible to please God, for he that cometh to God must believe that HE IS..." We are granted access when we have active faith in God. When God sees our faith, our belief in Jesus who was sent by the Father unto us, he grants us permission to come before His throne.

The scripture mentions two things 'grace' and 'throne'. When we come before the throne it is grace that sits upon the throne. GOD is that GRACE. So with the many petitions that we have carried and laid before God, it is because of our faith and obedience to the Will of God which will determine our granted access to the things that God has for us.

Remember the closed and locked door mentioned at the beginning of this article? Well, when we trust man, the door remains locked and there is no way he could get us in to get what we need, but when we go to God in faith, that door that was locked is now opened. It is God who granted us access in to obtain the help that we need.

*Whatever help we need is behind the door that leads us to the throne of grace.
Everything we need is right there in God.*

*Doubt will get us DENIED and turned away, while Faith will allow us to hear
=Access Granted. If you have a need, do you know how to gain access to the
DOOR? Do it the right way and you will received granted access to the THRONE
where help is always available unto you.*

***It's not me putting you out,
But this Kingdom Key will show you what your life is all about.
When you understand you will give me praise and a great shout,
A sincere thanks will come to me that flow out of your mouth.***

***From Heave to you was this key sent,
On it, is your own fingerprint
It's strong and sturdy and can't be bent.
Nothing can destroy it, not even make a dent.***

***What I have given you is my power and authority,
But once again, without this key, you won't be able to operate therein.
I knew that you would need it, that is why it was sent
I don't give it to anyone, only to those I call my Friend.***

***As long as you abide within me,
You have access to use this KEY.***



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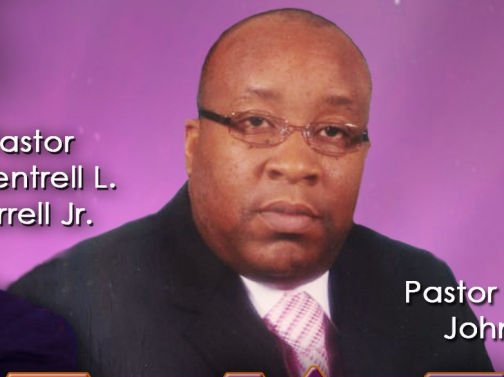
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Obedience The Key To Great Outcomes

Dr. C.A. Dangerfield II

It appears at times we fail to gain access to various areas in our life that would otherwise be opened to us due to our lack of obedience. There I said it and it is true in many cases we fail to OBEY the leading of the Holy Spirit to do what we know is right. So we suffer from delayed blessings or we create an outcome that wasn't supposed to happen but we generated it due to disobedience causing a blockage on our path.

Why is it that we seem at times to cringe at the very utterance of this most important four-letter word that has the ability to open so many opportunities for our growth and wellbeing in God? To be transparent for a moment when I take a true assessment and am honest with myself. I see times, places and opportunities that disobedience took away from me because it was about my will and not God's Will. Because of such behavior, there is no reward. Let's be honest for those of you who may have children when they are definite, do you run out to store and buy them something they desire and say this is for you being so bad. NO, not at all. You apply the rod of correction or you restrict their access to something they find favorable. Our Heavenly Father is no different.

The key thing to understand is obedience is better than sacrifice as the Word of God states. Without obedience, there is chaos and confusion, which gets lent a helping hand from destruction, devastation and sometimes even death. These are all counterproductive to the Will of God. 3 John 1:2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. It is through obedience that this too can manifest within our lives.

Our lack of knowledge of God's intent for us lends to the abundance of ignorance which runs ramped in our society today because we lack the very paramount understanding of who truly is our source. It is the grace of God that allows us granted opportunities. It is our disobedience that denies us access. I heard it explained like this once and I'm paraphrasing at best. You are attracted to a car and you purchase it and some of the basic things about it are disclosed to you so you would sign the papers take on the responsibility for it and drive it away. Inside the compartment called the glovebox is a book of wisdom, knowledge, and understanding called the owner's manual with a more precise description of its actual functions and benefits. Plus knowledge of all the when, where, why, and how's pertaining to its upkeep and how to maximize its potential.

Here's what happens most of the time, but first I do acknowledge there are some exceptional people who study it first to gain the benefits of a good understanding. But for the most part and I too was in this category at one time. Never crack the cover of the manual to understand any part of what the capabilities

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are and miss out on tons of benefits. Never heard the original statement about the location of the owner's manual, because of the consumption of the thrill of the moment until the presence of a reality check takes place. Something has gone wrong. We were told to study the owner's manual so we would be aware of the signs and have the ability to forecast the needs. But we possessed an arrogant sense of understanding because it was thought to be within ourselves own perception and not the actual owner's manual that would provide the correct knowledge. So what would have been preventable ended up costing us a considerable amount of money as well as some avoidable grief had we remained focused obtained and obeyed the instructions.

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The one key factor was to study, set aside some time to gain access to some valuable wisdom knowledge and an abundance of great understanding. If you are truthful with yourself you'll agree that studying and applying the same wisdom knowledge and understanding which can be obtained by setting aside the time to study the owner's manual provided by God for us to live by who is authored by our creator, therefore who, knows our complete makeup and are actual potential. Has provided the manual call the Bible was some have given an acronym of Basic Instructions before Leaving Earth. Lends to the understanding that it will provide direction and knowledge for life's pathways so we won't get lost.

But there is a sad commentary when it comes down to even its purpose that at times we over analyze it. Trying to build in controversy over its content, as to who wrote what and why within its pages. When it has simply been stated the inspired Word of God which to this writer means to authorize, given authority to speak to His creation as I do now. Failing to understand that this book of truths and illustrations when studied and applied has provided great results, knowledge, wisdom and understanding. Within its content has a stated disclosure which states that His Word would NOT come back void. It has been proven time and time again. Yet we still debate.

Then the unfortunate consequences of listening to someone who was not involved in your personal creation and has not been given the authority or understanding of the potential that lies waiting for you within to activate with the proper key so it can ignite. To start you on the path to your purpose. Will just remain dormant until you get a clue and access some knowledge which will give an understanding of just who you really are. Or will you simply step out in faith (Forge ahead in the Hope)

Until that event happens you remain in type casted roles of blindness never allowing yourself to reach your true purpose and Destiny. Stuck repeating the same events over and over again and passing it on from generation to generation until someone gets tired of the insanity that has been allowed to take place by giving access to the deceiver the one called Satan. Travel to and fro throughout the earth seeking whom he may devour.

How is this possible he has been given access to your mind? The operating center of your being. Everything that is downloading onto your hard drive creates a corresponding action which drives your life's course. Until the programming is fixed the operation will remain the same. You have to wipe out the corrupted data and refresh the hard drive and even change the memory stick and reprogram it all together.

Sometime when a computer crashes there may not be an opportunity for a fix or a reboot because time has run out and parts are unavailable for exchange because the model has become obsolete. The newer models are equipped and more cost-effective than to rebuild. So when you like a model continue with the maintenance, the tune-ups, replace the parts on schedule because some classic still run and can keep up with the changing time because the performance has been maintained. Some of the old technology can still remain within operating and processing helping to make sense within the new technology providing wisdom and experience to gain an even greater understanding. Especially when we pay attention to the details clearly understand the outcomes and finding fulfillments in the benefits.

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