
The Keys of Agreement (The Power of One)

The Keys of Holiness

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Sermon: The Keys of Holiness: The Keys of Agreement (The Power of One)

New Series Messages: “The Keys of Holiness”

- Matthew 16:19 (AV) **19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: ...**
- Sermon: The Keys of Authority (The Power to Bind & Loose)
 - The Authority to Access (Power)
 - The Authority to Bind (Forbid)
 - The Authority to Loose (Permit)

Lesson Text

Acts 4:32–34 (AV)³² And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. ³³ And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold,

Romans 15:5–6 (AV)⁵ Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus: ⁶ That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 2:1–5 (AV)¹ If *there be* therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels and mercies, ² Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind. ³ *Let* nothing *be done* through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. ⁴ Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. ⁵ Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

Introduction

Today we now move into a new series that deals with the access that comes from living the lifestyle of Holiness. As a result of the way we live, there are certain things we get access to within the kingdom of heaven. But let’s first introduce the Kingdom of Heaven!

Holiness is not simply about how we live, but the benefits and access we get from this lifestyle. This new series, Accessing the Kingdom, is based on a dialog Jesus had with his disciples as he was revealed as the Christ, and his role to establish the Kingdom of Heaven.

Matthew 16:18–19 (AV)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.**

Jesus gave us Keys (plural), and last week we looked at the Keys of Authority:

- Keys to Access God’s Power within the Kingdom (Protection, Petition, Presence)

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- Keys to Bind (Forbid) and Loose (Permit) on Earth and it be ratified in heaven.

Today we want to look at another power within the Kingdom:

Acts 4: ³² And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul:

Romans 15: ⁶ That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 2: ² Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, *being* of one accord, of one mind.

These passages speak to a Power that is accessed through Agreement!

The reason why the enemy works so hard to keep us apart is because somethings cannot be accessed by one, but only when we come together in agreement and behave as one!

Series and Sermon: The Keys of Holiness: The Keys of Agreement (The Power of One)

“The Power of One Mind, One Voice, and One Spirit”

I. The Power of One Mind (Vision)

Acts 4: ³² And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul:

The first thing we gain access to, through the Keys of Agreement, is Vision. This is about the Direction for Destiny. And it requires One Mind!

Without One Mind, You Have No Vision

Have you ever heard the saying, when everyone is responsible, no one is responsible; it means that there is no accountability because everyone blames everyone else.

Well the same thing is true with Vision. When everyone has a vision, then no one has vision, because we don't know whose vision to follow.

Your way seems right, my way seems right, but whose way is right?

Proverbs 16:25 (AV)²⁵ There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.

One Mind is the Key to Vision

In Paul's letter to the Philippians of our lesson text, he said fulfill ye my joy! How? By developing one mind!

- Be Likeminded (Agreeable),
- Have the Same Love (that is Love one other)
- Be on One Accord (Work together)
- Don't Be Selfish (Defer to other's best interest rather than your self interest)

Philippians 2: ⁵ Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

The only way to do this is for all of us to have the mind of Christ!

And when we do, we get One Vision!

The Power of One Mind gets you Access to God's Vision for your Life

II. The Power of One Voice (Perfection)

Romans 15: 6 That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The second thing we gain access to, through the Keys of Agreement, is Accomplishing, Completing, Perfecting. It's about bringing Vision to Reality. And it requires One Voice.

Acts 4: 32 ... neither said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.

Acts 4: 34 Neither was there any among them that lacked:

There were no individual voices, everyone had one voice. All for one, and one for all. If I get something, then everyone had something.

Without One Voice, You Get No Accomplishments or Perfecting

Genesis 11:6 And the LORD said, Behold, the people *is* one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

And without one voice, the people scattered, splitting up according to the voice they understood; and they never fulfilled, accomplished, perfected their vision.

We see this in families, in churches, in businesses; everyone is out for himself.

During the formation of the early church, the people had one vision, and spoke with one voice; and they fulfilled their vision of no lack, power, and perfection.

But this soon went away because other voices started showing up. This same thing happens today. Our marriages, businesses, churches start out with one voice; but then other opinions, other mindsets, other ideas come with more voices.

One Voice is the Key to Perfecting Vision

We've got to get our "One Voice" back! How?

Romans 15:5–6 (AV)5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus: 6 That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

First stop complaining and start Glorifying God with one Mouth.

And when we get One Mouth that Glorifies God, it will produce One Voice that fulfills the promises of God

One Voice Says:

Psalms 138:8 (AV)⁸ The LORD will perfect *that which* concerneth me: thy mercy, O LORD, *endureth* for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.

2 Corinthians 1:20 (AV)²⁰ For all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

Romans 4: 17 ... calleth those things which be not as though they were.

Philippians 1:6 (AV)⁶ Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ:

The Power of One Voice get you God's Perfection of the Vision

III. The Power of One Spirit (Anointing)

Acts 4: 33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus:

With the Keys of Agreement, we get Access to the Power of One:

- The Power of One Mind Accesses God's Vision: Philippians 2: 5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:
- The Power of One Voice Accesses God's Perfection: Psalm 138:8 (AV)⁸ The LORD will perfect *that which* concerneth me:
- The Power of One Spirit Accesses God's Anointing:

Isaiah 10:27 (AV)²⁷ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.

Zechariah 4:6 (AV)⁶ This *is* the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

- Not by Might: human resources, physical strength, or wealth.
- Nor by Power: human mental abilities, intellect, or brains.

But it's by the God's Spirit that His Anointing Destroys the Yoke, Destroys the Burden, Destroys the Weapons, Destroys the Afflictions, Persecutions, Depression, Bitterness, Hatred.

Philippians 4:13 (AV)¹³ I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

1 John 4:4 (AV)⁴ Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Isaiah 54:17 (AV)¹⁷ No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that* shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD.

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Midweek Study Lesson Plan (Sermon: The Keys of Agreement (The Power of One))

Lesson Text

- Acts 4:32–34, Romans 15:5–6, Philippians 2:1–5

Sermon Outline (Notes)

I. *The Power of One Mind (Vision)*

II. *The Power of One Voice (Perfection)*

III. *The Power of One Spirit (Anointing)*

Questions

I. **Getting to Know “Me”**

1. What was your least favorite food as a child? Do you hate it or do you love it now?
2. If you were a wrestler, what would be your entrance theme song?

II. **Into the Bible**

1. The Garden of Gethsemane account can be found in Matthew 26:36-46 & Mark 14:32-42. Did Peter, James, and John demonstrate the power of agreement? How did Jesus demonstrate the power of agreement with His Father?
2. Giving two scriptural references, how does prayer exhibit our agreement and cooperation with God?

III. **Life Application**

1. What steps should we take to examine our thinking and behavior to ensure that we have in us the mind of Christ?
2. When there is something that must be done by the Spirit of God, not by might or by power, how do we access the anointing to do it?