Keys of the Kingdom July 23, 2023

Matthew 16:13-20, "Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He was asking His disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴ And they said, "Some say John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; but still others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷ And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. ¹⁹ I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven." ²⁰ Then He warned the disciples that they should tell no one that He was the Christ."

Matthew 17:9, 12, 22-23, "Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man has risen from the dead. The Son of Man is going to suffer. The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men; and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day."

Romans 10:9, "If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

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

Acts 2:38, "Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Acts 3:19, 26, "Repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord. God raised up His Servant and sent Jesus to bless you by turning every one of you from your wicked ways."

1 Peter 3:18, 20-21; 4:1-2, 6, "For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit. During the construction of the ark, eight persons were brought safely through the water. Corresponding to that, baptism now saves you – not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience – through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. So live the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for the lusts of men, but for the will of God. The gospel has for this purpose been preached."

Matthew 28:18-20, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end."