

Possessing the Gates

Genesis 22:17 – “Your descendants shall possess the gate of their enemies.”

Introduction

Gates represent authority, power and points of contacts or connection with the spiritual. Gates represents spiritual strongholds and symbolizes centres of spiritual warfare over lives, families, communities, and nations

Understanding the significance of Gates

Matthew 16:18–19 – “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. 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.”

Luke 19:13 – “ And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.”

Psalms 110:2 – “The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.”

- **I will build My Church- The gate of Heaven**

Col1:17-18 – “He is before all things, and in him **all things hold together**. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.”

Eph 5:26-27 – “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, and to present her to himself as a **radiant church**, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.”

Eph 1:22-23 – “And God put everything under His feet and made Him **head over everything for the church**, / which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.”

Gen: 28:17 – “He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than **the house of God**; this is **the gate of heaven**.”

John 10:9 – “**I am the gate**; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out and find pasture.”

- **The gate of hell shall not prevail**

Eph 6:12 – “For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.”

1 Peter 5:8 – “Be sober-minded and alert. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.”

Col 1:13 – “He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son”

2 Corinthians 10:3–5- “For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.”

- **I will give you the Keys of the Kingdom**

Luke 10:18-19 – “ And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you **authority** to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy. Nothing will harm you.

Mark 11:24 – “Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you **pray**, believe that you receive them, and you will have them.”

Phil 2:9-10 – “Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the **name above all names**, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,”

Rev 12:11 – “And they overcame him by the **blood of the Lamb** and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.”

Eph 6:11 – “Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil..”

- **Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.**

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Isaiah 22:22 – “I will place on his shoulder the key to the house of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open.”

Rev 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.”

- **Prayer Point 1**

2 Corinth 2:14 – “But thanks be to God, who always leads us triumphantly as captives in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of Him.”

Rom 8: 37 “Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

- **Prayer Point 2**

John 14:23 – “Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

Dear Lord Jesus, make me a habitation where You loves to dwell- a bethel of His presence.