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Revelation 1:18

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What Are The Keys Of Death?

Question: "What are the keys of death (Revelation 1:18)?"

Answer: In Revelation 1:18 Jesus says, "I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades." Possessing the "keys of death" means that the risen Christ has control and authority over death. In John 10:17-18, Jesus says, "The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life-only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again.

This command I received from my Father." When Jesus died, He died according to His own timing, when He "gave up his spirit" (John 19:30). Pilate was surprised to hear that Jesus was already dead (Mark 15:44). Jesus, who has the authority over death, had the unique power to give up His spirit and to rise

Upcoming Events

- April 3rd 7 PM
Womens Coffee and Chocolate
- April 6th through the 8th
Royal Ranger Pow Wow
- April 7th 8 AM
Mens Breakfast
- April 11th 11 AM
Seniors Luncheon
- April 27th through the 29th
District Fine Arts Festival
- April 29th 11 AM Service
Water Baptism
- May 5th 9AM-1PM
Destiknee Place Walk-A-Thon

Prayer Meeting



from the dead. Moreover, He has the authority to release His followers from death in order that they may be with Him forever.

Think of the concept of giving someone "the key to the city." This key is sometimes a large, cartoonish key that fits no lock but is symbolic of an honor bestowed. Someone given "a key to the city" is considered welcome and honored within that city. The Bible frequently speaks of keys as representing control or authority over something or someone. This concept makes sense; to possess a master key to a building is to have the authority to open any of its doors and enter any room.

Isaiah 37:2 speaks of Eliakim, the son of Hilkiyah, an honorable man sent on an important errand. In chapter 22, it was written that Eliakim would be given authority and that God would "place on his shoulder the key to the house of David." By the "key to the house of David," it is meant that the Lord would place Eliakim in a position of authority. Later, Eliakim becomes the governor of the palace in Jerusalem.

In Revelation 9:1-2, an angel is given a key to, or control over, the bottomless pit, and he uses the key to open that pit. Later, an angel is seen locking things in the bottomless pit (20:1-3).

Eternal life through Jesus Christ is the blessed assurance John describes in 1 John 5:6-13. Jesus having the keys of death means He has the power to release from death those who receive the gift of salvation He offers.

Harvest Giving App

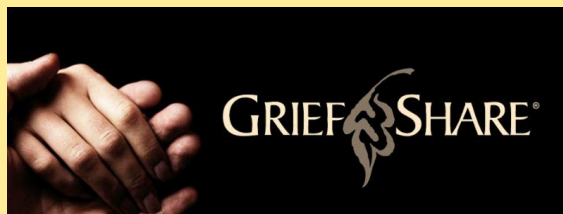
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We are happy to announce that we have a quick and secure tool that is available to us now for Giving. All you need to do is go to your App store on your phone and type

Mondays, 7-8 PM

Please join us on Mondays for a Prayer Meeting. The prayer time will be held in the conference room from 7-8 pm. This Prayer Meeting will take place every Monday night. Come on out and pray for our Church, Community and our Nation.

GriefShare



Mondays 6-8 PM

GriefShare is a ministry that walks with people that have lost a loved one, and helps give them the tools for healing. The classes will be on Monday nights from 6-8 pm in the Preschool Room. For more information contact Gordon Moody or Susan Carmack.

Women Coffee and Chocolate



Tuesday, April 3rd 7 PM

All of our Harvest Ladies are invited to attend this months Coffee and Chocolate. We encourage you to bring a dessert to share and a friend

in Harvest Assembly of God Lakeland,
and download it for free right to your
smart phone.

to share the evening with. For
more information contact
Judi Cotignola at
judicotignola@yahoo.com.

Water Baptism



Sunday, April 29th 11 AM Service

We will be having our next Water Baptism celebration on Sunday, April 29th during the 11 AM Service. If you are interested in being baptized please contact Pastor Sydney or sign up at the Information Desk. If you are going to be baptized that morning come in the clothes you are going to be baptized in and bring a towel and a change of clothes.

Service Times

Saturday
7pm Adult Worship
7 pm Embrace Children's Church

Sunday
9 am Early Morning Worship
9 am Christian Education
11 am Mid Morning Worship
11 am Harvest Kids Church
11 am Special Needs Church

Mens Breakfast



Saturday, April 7th 8AM

All of our Harvest Men are invited to attend this months Mens Breakfast. Come on out and enjoy a great time of food, fellowship and time in God's Word. For more information contact Dennis Rosario at hoorahmarine50@yahoo.com.

Seniors Luncheon



6 pm Evening Worship
6 pm Student Ministries

Wednesday
7 pm Adult Worship
7 pm Girls Ministries and Royal Rangers

We look forward to seeing you!

Harvest Assembly Of God

Friday, April 11th 11 AM

All of our amazing Senior Adults are invited to attend this months luncheon. It will be held at the church in the Youth Building. We ask that you please bring a covered dish to share and come enjoy a great time of food and fellowship. For more information please contact Fred or Nora Connell at connellfred@yahoo.com

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