

# Supernatural Sunday June 26, 2022 The Gates of Hell Shall Not Prevail

#### Matthew 16:13-19

- 13 When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"
- 14 So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."
- 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
- 16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
- 17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.
- 18 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.
- 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."

THE SON OF MAN

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT I AM?

THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD

THE CHRIST, THE ANOINTED ONE, THE ANOINTED SERVANT, THE MESSIAH Messiah Heb. Anointed One Christ Gr. Anointed One

## THE SON OF GOD

Who is this Son of God?

He is the Eternal Word who put on human form so that we could behold His glory in tangible ways, here on earth (John 1:14; Hebrews 1:3).

He is the image of the invisible and infinite God (2 Corinthians 4:4; Colossians 1:15; Hebrews 1:3) revealing God to us in perfection so that we could get a glimpse of who God really is.

## Who is the Son of God?

He is the eternal God who humbled Himself to walk as a Man in obedience to the Father so that we could learn what it means to live as sons and daughters of God.



He walked in absolute union with the Father, one with the Father, so that when we see Him, we see the Father (John 10:30; John 14:7,9).

He spoke the Father's words, He did the Father's works, He fulfilled the Father's will (Hebrews 10:7).

# Who is the Son of God?

He is the One out of whose fullness, grace, immeasurable grace has been extended to us (John 1:16; Romans 5:17).

He is the One who came to destroy all the works of the devil. He healed the sick, cleansed the lepers, raised the dead, cast out demons and worked innumerable miracles and still does the same today.

He is the One who judged, condemned, disarmed, defeated, and crushed the head of the serpent, rendering satan powerless, doing all this on our behalf and shared His triumph with us.

# Who is the Son of God?

He is the One who ushered in the Kingdom of God here on earth (Matthew 4:17) so that we who have been purchased with the blood He shed on Calvary, are now God's redeemed, purchased possession, delivered from the powers of darkness and transferred into God's own Kingdom.

He is the last Adam, the Second Man through whom has risen a new creation, a new species, a new race of sons and daughters born of the Father, partakers of the divine nature, who are created in the image of God in righteousness and true holiness.

## Who is the Son of God?

He is the One who was dead, who is alive and has the key of hell and the grave. He was shown to be the Son of God by the power of the Holy Spirit and in being raised from the dead (Romans 1:4).

He is the heir of all things and the One who inherited all things (Hebrews 1:2,8).

He is the One who has been set above all things for the Church, with all authority in heaven and earth, and at whose name every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

There has never been a Person like this One, and there never will be.

He is the Son of the living God.

SIMON BAR-JONAH, SIMON SON OF JONAH

**REVEALED BY THE FATHER** 

YOU ARE PETER (petros = a piece of a rock)



AND (kahee = but, moreover)

ON THIS ROCK (petra = a mass of rock)
This petra is the truth that this Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God

The two "I will"s of Jesus in this passage:

I will build My church
I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven

The first "I will":

I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH

## On this rock

Jesus is building the Church on this solid foundation that He is the Christ, the Son of the living God. This is the foundation on which the Church is built. The Church is not built on a human personality, on somebody's charisma, influence, etc. And we must keep our foundation, firm on Christ Himself.

## Jesus is building his Church

This gives us immense confidence and courage. Jesus is building His Church and that means no man, no government, no force of hell can stop the Church from being built. I will construct my Church.

# THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

"The Church's One Foundation" is a Christian hymn written in the 1860s by Samuel John Stone.

1

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation
By water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her
To be His holy Bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died.
2
Elect from every nation,
Yet one o'er all the earth,

Her charter of salvation,



One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy Name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.

3

'Mid toil and tribulation,
And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation
Of peace for evermore;
Till, with the vision glorious,
Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest.

4

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly,
In love may dwell with Thee.

# The purpose of the Church

The Church is an assembly of a people called out for a purpose

We must be clear about our purpose and stay true to our purpose.

There is a lot we can speak about the purpose(s) of the Church.

- 1, We are here to glorify God by being salt and light where we are placed.
- 2, We are here to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and disciple people.

We must be careful not to become distracted and deviate from our God ordained purpose.

THE GATES OF HELL SHALL NOT PREVAIL

The Church Jesus is building overthrows the powers of hell



Jesus said that He will build His Church and the gates of hell – representing the powers of hell – cannot overpower or stop the church.

This means that part of our purpose here on earth is in advancing towards and overthrowing the gates of hell.

To glorify God and proclaim the Gospel – we will have to confront and overthrow the powers of darkness. He has empowered us to do this by giving us the 'keys of the Kingdom'

### THE REAL BATTLE IS SPIRITUAL

The real battle is spiritual.

We wrestle not with flesh and blood.

The weapons of our warfare are not natural, not carnal.

It is and has never been by human power or might but is always by My Spirit.

If we win in the natural, but lose in the spiritual, then we really have not won.

This is the deception we must be careful of.

The enemy is more than willing to yield ground in the natural but keep us from gaining in the spiritual.

The Church fights its battles through the preaching of the Gospel, by holding true to the Word of God, by ushering the Kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy; by speaking truth in love, by demonstrating genuine kindness and humility.

The second "I will":

# I WILL GIVE YOU THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

We understand that keys are a prophetic picture/symbol of authority or authorization. The authority of heaven is vested in the church - in every believer

We have the keys.

## We must exercise our authority over the works of darkness

Keys give us the ability to lock and unlock – to bind (forbid) and to lose (permit). We must bind and lose that is exert our authority over the works of darkness.

We do this by speaking in the name of the one who has authorized us.

## YOU/WE ARE THE CHURCH

**ONWARD CHRISTIAN SOLDIERS** 



"Onward, Christian Soldiers" is a 19th-century English hymn. The words were written by Sabine Baring-Gould in 1865, and the music was composed by Arthur Sullivan in 1871.

1 **Onward Christian soldiers!** Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus Going on before. Christ, the royal Master, Leads against the foe; Forward into battle, See, His banners go! **Onward, Christian soldiers!** Marching as to war, With the cross of Jesus, Going on before. 2 At the name of Jesus Satan's host doth flee; On then, Christian soldiers, On to victory! Hell's foundations quiver At the shout of praise: Brothers, lift your voices, Loud your anthems raise! Like a mighty army **Moves the Church of God:** Brothers, we are treading Where the saints have trod; We are not divided, All one Body we-One in faith and Spirit, One eternally. Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane; **But the Church of Jesus** Constant will remain.

6

Gates of hell can never



'Gainst the Church prevail;
We have Christ's own promise,
Which can never fail.

5
Onward, then, ye people!
Join our happy throng;
Blend with ours your voices
In the triumph song.
Glory, laud and honor
Unto Christ, the King;
This through countless ages
Men and angels sing.

# SALVATION CALL (BY YOUR FREE CHOICE AND FREE WILL)

If you ask, does God love me? We can tell you what the Bible says: John 3:16, Romans 5:8

If you ask, how can I have my sins forgiven? We can tell you what the Bible says: Acts 10:43; 1 John 2:2,12

If you ask, what is the way to God? We can tell you what the Bible says: John 14:6 If you ask, how can I become a child of God? We can tell you what the Bible says: John 1:12

If you ask, where can I find salvation? We can tell you what the Bible says: Acts 4:12 If you ask, what must I do to experience salvation? We can tell you what the Bible says: Acts 16:30-31

As an act of your own free choice, we invite you to make this decision to follow Jesus.

## **SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME**

Minister as the Spirit leads



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The is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and



building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

## Preparation

To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon Key Points (sermon summary in five minutes) or the full-length Sunday sermon. You can also review the Sunday Sermon notes. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our sermons page . Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

## Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

#### LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture references: Matthew 16:13-19

# **INVESTIGATE God's Word Together**

Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

- 1, Jesus said He will build His Church. The rock that Jesus is building the Church on, is the truth that He is the Christ, the Son of the living God. This is foundational. What would be the consequences, if the Church (God's people) attempted to build themselves on any other foundation?
- 2, In this passage, Jesus outlined the confrontational nature of the Church's mission the Church confronting the powers of hell and overthrowing them. Discuss this and how it applies to the everyday life of believers.
- 3, The keys of God's Kingdom are in the hands of believers! This is such a weighty thought. What are the implications of the Church (believers) having to carry and use the keys of the Kingdom?

If time permits, each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key learning and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

# FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey



Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

## **ENCOURAGE** each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

## Regroup and pray together for:

- 1, families to be protected and strengthened
- 2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.
- 3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project for God's hand to guide us through the land search and acquisition process, and for finances to be more than enough to get this project done.

Close by thanking God together.



Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

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## **SERMON OUTLINE**

The Lord Jesus is building His Church and nothing can stop that. The Church is a body of people called together for a purpose. We must understand and stay focused on our primary purpose as the Church. The Church has been authorized to overthrow the powers of darkness to advance the purposes of God's Kingdom on the earth. Every believer is part of this Church and hence has been authorized to advance God's Kingdom.

## **KEYWORDS:**

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