Key of David, Part 1

I. Key of David.

A. Lost Principle.

This principle (the Key of David and how to use it for binding and loosing) has been lost in the church world. Over the years, the church has emphasized many types of peripheral doctrines, as a result some have become followers of man.

Thank God for everyone who tries to serve Him, but we're not going to follow a peripheral doctrine or a man. If you follow me, I'll step on your toes, on purpose. Don't follow me. Some of you are going to want to and I will say, "NO! You can't do it! I won't let you." Do you see what I mean?

Do you want to be in a ministry where someone says, "Oh, you're following me, that's good., or do you want to be in a ministry that's says, "that's not good." What kind of teachings do you want to have in your life? Teaching that teaches you that you're somebody, in Christ, and you don't have to identify with a man who has the same inheritance you have. If you are going to identify with me, identify with me as I identify with Him. Amen. Follow me, as I follow Christ.

B. It's Done In The Son.

Jesus is Lord, <u>It's done in the Son.</u> I'm healed. By His stripes, I WAS healed (1 Peter 2:24). Right now, put your hand on your body and say, "By His stripes, I WAS healed. I am dead to sickness and disease. I am resurrected, in Christ, to total health in my body, in my mind, in my soul. I am WHOLE in Christ. Thank you, Father. I am whole in Christ. In Christ I am dead to sin." We need to continuously affirm where we are, who we are and what we have.

Cleanse yourself in the supernatural dimension. The power of God is present, constantly, without making you feel that you are some kind of religious goody two-shoed nut.

I don't want to feel that way. I desire to be a "person" in Christ. I don't want to be a cookie-cut clone after the similtude of man. I desire to be who I am, in Christ. I desire that! Don't you desire to have your identity in Christ? That's why we're here, to help you define who you are in Christ

If these courses do not help you to see who you are and what's been done, in the SON, you turn me over to the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost knows how to deal with me. You want to know how you can know, because he can deal with you and if he can deal with you, he can deal with me.

II. Word Training for Endurance.

A. Learn About The Cross.

Let's look into the Word. Turn to Matthew 10:38, "And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me."

B. The Self Life.

Go to Matthew 16:24, "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." He's talking about self-life or in other words a life wherein someone is dependant upon themselves to attain to right standing with God. We can only receive right standing by denying that we are capable of a right standing and can only attain through the work of the cross of Christ.

C. Take Up HIS Cross.

Don't take a legalistic look at this verse and feel that you have got to put a cross on your shoulder. Some think that's what it means, but God shows us that it is saying take up HIS cross, because in HIS cross is HIS redemption. If you take up YOUR cross, that can't save anybody. Read that last one again, Matthew 16:24, "Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." In other words, his or her share of the inheritance of the cross. Remember, a self-inflicted,

self-imposed "cross" that is designed to gain you points with God is classified a "dead work."

C. The Cross Is The Key To The Kingdom.

1. Everybody Gets A Cross.

Why does scripture say for every man to take up <u>his</u> cross to that man, if it's Christ's cross? Because the cross is the key. Write it down: "<u>The cross is the key to the Kingdom of God.</u>" So… everyone gets a cross. Everyone gets a key.

The cross is your key. You are going to learn something about the key to the kingdom and how Jesus wasn't speaking about legalistic, under-the-law, mentality when he said, "Pick up your cross...". He didn't mean for you to carry the weight of the world again when He already carried it. He is expecting you to take up your inheritance in HIS cross. Your share. Let every man take up his share of the cross. It's your inheritance. If I am not right, then why does the scripture say, "... by <u>His</u> stripes, we <u>were</u> healed".

Now, think for a minute. When scripture says you are partakers of His suffering, does it mean that you should get whipped like Jesus? (1 Peter 4:13)

No, he was saying be a partaker of His suffering. In other words, His substitutionary work. We substitute His suffering for ours, so we don't have to. When you are a partaker of Christ's sufferings, that's what it means. Why should we have to suffer for salvation when He did it all.

2. A New Nation/ Nationality.

How many of you know we are a new nationality in Christ? (1 Peter 2:9, "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.")

How many of you know we are a new nation? That's how all races can come together in Christ, by **knowing** that they are no longer of a particular race in in the natural. They are a **new** race. A new what? A holy what? A holy nation - Nationality. A chosen generation - Gene.... Generation. A new seed. A new creation, begotten of the Father, in Christ, planted in you with an operation made without hands. (Colossians 2:10-11) The putting off of the body of the sins of the flesh. Planted in Him with an operation. I am a partaker of my

inheritance. I am a partaker of divine nature. It's scriptural. It is sound doctrine.

Read Mark 8:34, "And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."

D. **Denying Self**.

1. Deny You Can Save Yourself.

Now go over to Hebrews, Chapter 6 and we'll show you what Jesus is saying when he says, "...deny himself," in Mark 8:34 What it is saying is that you are to deny that you can save yourself. You can't do it. It's been done in the cross. Don't think it means take up the cross in the sense of taking on His burden, but take up the cross in the sense of taking up your inheritance in Christ.

2. The Cross Is The Key of David.

The cross is the Key of David. Let's verify that. Let's go to Revelation, Chapter 3, to verify that and then we'll go to Hebrews, Chapter 6 and we'll show you that the first

two foundation stones are denying oneself and taking up the cross.

III. He That Hath The Key.

A. Revelation 3:7.

Look at what Jesus said in, Revelation 3:7, "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the <u>key of David</u>, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;"

B. What Does He Open and Shut?

What did he "openeth" and what did he "shutteth"? He shut one thing and opened another thing. That's what we need to focus on because in that work where he opened and shut; that's where you bind and loose. Bind and loose, in the Greek, means the same thing as open and shut. If you want to bind somebody, you shut them in a prison. You want to loose them, open the prison door. Open and Shut. The Key of David. Is it the cross, is it the key of Christ?

C. Repentance From Dead Works.

Now let's turn to Hebrews 6:1, "Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works....."

D. What Is Repentance From Dead Works?

Repenting from self. Repenting from saying, "I can do it." Anything done in self is a dead work.

I am going to repent from trying to do it myself. I'm going to take up the cross, wherein it's already been done. That's what "dead works" means. Trying to do what only the cross of Christ can do. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says. Faith towards God is *taking up the cross*.

E. The Key is the Cross of Christ.

Deny himself, and take up the cross. Let's find more scriptures regarding the cross. Look at Mark 10:21, "Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me."

Take up what? THE cross. THE cross is the cross of Christ. Replace your slave labor in the death camp of sin with your liberation, in the work of Christ. If you keep trying to do it, you're just going to just keep trying to be a slave to the law of sin and death when you have been liberated from that law. Don't continue operating under the law of sin and death, operate in the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus. (Romans 8:2, "For the law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.")

Here is another one. Go to Luke 9:23, "And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me."

F. It's A DAILY Thing.

The first scripture, Mark 10:21 says "THE cross" right? This one says DAILY. Write down, "DAILY". Ah, so you mean you can't take it up once? I thought that if I get saved, I get saved. NO, you have to take up the cross DAILY. What does that correlate with? Let's go to Colossians 1:20-22, "And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven. And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreproveable in his sight:" So basically the idea is the believer should stay in a position whereby he or she might re-

ceive the benefits of the cross of Christ at every level on a daily basis. One way to do this is upon arising in the morning to say, "I am crucified with Christ, I am resurrected with Christ and I am seated with Christ in Heavenly Places." Another scripture that endorses the preaching of the cross can be found in Corinthians (1 Corinthians 1:18, "For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.")

IV. The Cross Is The Key To The Kingdom of God.

A. Unlocking The Lock with The Key.

We're am going to prove to you that the cross is the key to the kingdom of God and then everything will begin to fall into place in the scriptures concerning the Key of David and how to bind and loose. It is so easy to bind and loose when you know how to use the **work** of the cross as the key in our licensed authority.

B. HE Presents Us Unblameable To The Father.

As you read verse 21, He is presenting us. I am presenting myself to Him and He is presenting me to the Father. Jesus is going to present you unblameable and unreproveable in his sight. Read it again. You can't even be reproved in His sight. Read the next verse, Colossians 1:23, "If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;"

C. Continuing In The Faith.

Let him take up his cross DAILY; that's CONTINUING IN THE FAITH.

You don't start one day in the faith and begin the next day saying, "Ah, woe is me. ...what's going to happen now?" No, you STAY in Him where it's already finished. And if you can't, you work at that. You have to disciple yourself to keep a good profession and hold fast to it. (Hebrews 10:23, "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised.")

Sometimes we're taught wrong. Sometimes we're taught we have to confess it to make it so. Don't do that. Confess it be-

cause **it is so**. Write that down. Don't profess it to make it so, profess it because it is so. That's different.

Confessing it to make it so, takes you into dead works. Confessing it yourself... and trying to get blessed through your profession takes you into dead works. You ARE blessed and your confession takes you into it, so you might appropriate what is yours, in Christ.

D. THE Faith.

Colossians 1:23 says you continue *where*? In THE faith. Where? THE faith. There are a lot of faiths out there, but there's only one "THE" faith. You can have a little faith in God and a little faith in that man, or that church, but there's only one "THE" faith. Continue in that faith, grounded and settled and not moved away from the hope of the gospel (good news – Jesus crucified, risen from the dead and coming again. Galatians 3:23, "But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed."

Now the way to continue in the faith is to **affirm constantly**. It's by grace, through faith. Affirm constantly and reckon (recognize) yourself dead. Romans 6:11 and Titus 3:5-8.

E. Daily Affirmation.

The book of **Titus** confirms that we should be affirming constantly. Daily say (out loud), "I am crucified, dead, resurrected and seated with Christ in heavenly places," in addition say phrases like, "By God's grace," or "By His willpower." Ephesians 2:8, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God,"and Philippians 2:13, "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure."

This is the walk that is going to take the church into Heaven when Jesus calls.

Scripture says it in **Ephesians 2:6**, that He <u>made</u> us sit down with him in Heavenly places. "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.." He MADE me sit down with Him. When you assume a seated position, and that trumpet sounds, you're going to translate over into the kingdom. Your body is going to follow where your soul already is because you're lining up soul with spirit. After the <u>soul</u> lines up with the <u>spirit</u>, in the body of Christ, then the <u>body</u> will line up with the <u>soul</u> and we're going to go, goodbye. See you all later. We're gone. We're out of here.

F. The Gospel Of The KINGDOM.

1. A Further Step in the Gospel Message.

That's why Jesus said when the Gospel of the Kingdom is preached to all nations, NOT the gospel of salvation, the Gospel of the Kingdom. That's a step further in the gospel message...Kingdom life. That where, "I am, you may be also." "I go to prepare a place for you." (John 14;3, "...that where I am, there ye may be also.")

2. How often? Constantly.

Titus 3:8, "This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men."

Do you know why? Every time you turn around something is trying to get you out of your profession. As soon as you say, "It's done in Christ", slowly but surely here comes that OTHER message, "what are we going to do now?" That's the message that comes in your head. That sums it up. "What am I going to do now?" Don't worry; you don't have to do anything. It's all done in the Son!!!!

Well let's look, **John 6:29**, "Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent."

3. It's Done In The Son.

You have to work at that, how? By affirming constantly that it's done in the Son. It's done in the Son. Constantly. "I am crucified, dead to the old me. I'm dead to
sickness and disease. I am dead to the old demented
me. I am dead to the me that can't. I'm resurrected to
the me that can, IN CHRIST!" Say it to yourself, out
loud. In other words, labor to enter into rest. Hebrews
4:11 "Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest, lest
any man fall after the same example of unbelief."

Powerful, isn't it?

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