

Great Joy In The City Ministries

“With God all things are possible”



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Dear BSCMF Member,

“Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means ‘rock’), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it. And I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Whatever you forbid on earth will be forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven.”

- **Matthew 16; 18-19 (New Living Translation)**

The Body of Christ is in a spiritual war against the Kingdom of Darkness for the dominion over the earth. The Church may not know it or fully understand their assignment (and that is why the Church is weak and powerless in the world), but that is what we are called to do. We are called to expand and establish Christ’s Kingdom upon the earth; and the angelic armies of Heaven are called to assist Christ’s Church in accomplishing that goal in these Last Days. In the Greek translation, the word “Church” is not a religious word, but a political word. The Greek word for “Church” is “ekklesia” and its important to understand the original meaning. Firstly, the Ekklesia was an assembly of high-ranking citizens of a region who met to govern a region. They governed in a democratic fashion, voting upon different policies. The focus of their governing were 1. To make laws; 2. Appoint officials; 3. Domestically and eternally, to enter into contracts, treaties, wars and financial matters; 4. Command the army to assemble for war; 5. Rule over societal and cultural matters for their region; Now, Jesus said the Church, who are heirs, are to rule and reign with him over their region. Let’s look again at the words in Matthew 16: 19, **“And I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. Whatever you forbid on earth will be forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit on earth will be permitted in heaven.”** The original English text uses the words, **“and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”** Those words “bind” and “loose” are courtroom terms, with legal ramifications: You have binding contracts, or you have dissolved or loosed contracts. Now understand what Jesus is saying: **“You the Church have the power and authority on the Earth, in Jesus’ name; to overcome and defeat any plan of Satan and the Kingdom of Darkness. Furthermore, Jesus gives you His power and authority to bind anything on Earth and it will have such great power and authority that it will be bound in Heaven; and if you loose anything on Earth, it will have such great power and authority, it will be loosened in Heaven.”**

Do you see the power and authority of the Christ’s Church, his Ekklesia? Understand you are not trying to obtain such power and authority – **you already have it**. Jesus gave it to you after he poured his blood out on the Heavenly Mercy Seat of God and sat down at the righthand of the Father, waiting for you to make his enemies his footstool! So, what should you be doing in your life and ministry? Well, you first need to read God’s Word, which is the legal binding contract that is God’s Will; and you need to put God’s Word in your mouth and decree God’s Will. Secondly, you need to spend time in praying in the Holy Spirit (praying in tongues) to get your individual/ministry assignment that God has preplanned before the foundation of the world, and to walk it out by Faith. If you do those spiritual actions, you’ll create a spiritual climate for the Kingdom of God, and specifically the angelic armies, to work on your behalf to advance God’s Kingdom: Remember: **You already have the power to rule the Earth!**

May God bless you richly,

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