



Seeking God – Keys & Doors
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USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to discuss the weekend message.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together. Give priority to the needs and pace of your group members.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

[Ephesians 3:20, AMP]

Now to Him who is able to carry out His purpose and do superabundantly more than all that we dare ask or imagine, infinitely beyond our greatest prayers, hopes, or dreams, according to His power that is at work within us,

[Matthew 16:19, MSG]

"And that's not all. You will have complete and free access to God's kingdom, keys to open any and every door: no more barriers between heaven and earth, earth and heaven. A yes on earth is yes in heaven. A no on earth is no in heaven."

[Matthew 16:19, NKJV]

"I will give you the keys"

'Give you' = Didomi (continuous tense): to grant, to give to the one asking,

A KEY:

A unique implement that opens a unique or specific door or secured area.
(Without the right key, the area, the room or the supply remains unavailable or unattainable)

5 Keys that will help you:

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2. Keys are usually hidden and require seeking God (a pursuit)

[Hosea 2:15]

I will return her vineyards to her and transform the Valley of Trouble into a gateway of hope. She will give herself to me there, as she did long ago when she was young, when I freed her from her captivity in Egypt.

3. Keys are Sequential = The door you move through now positions you for the next

4. Keys are Seasonal = Must be used during their "kiros" window of opportunity

Kiros = a time within a time, a favorable time, a season or window of opportunity, a time when God is moving in your favor

[Luke 19:41-42]

But as he came closer to Jerusalem and saw the city ahead, he began to weep. "How I wish today that you of all people would understand the way to peace. But now it is too late, and peace is hidden from your eyes... because you did not recognize the time (Kairos) of your visitation."

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Key Points:

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Application for the Week:

Pastor Dave asked the question, "What is your action item? What step of faith do you need to take right now?" This week, pray and ask God to show you what steps you need to take. Next, determine in your heart that He has your yes.

Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever locked your keys in your car? What emotions did you experience when you realized you were stuck?
2. In your life, why does God continuously give keys? For what reasons does He not just give them all at once?
3. The relationships God places in our lives are pivotal to certain "doors" opening. Share a time when God used a relationship to open a door in your life?
4. Why are these keys personal to your journey? What are some of these keys that have "lifted the lid" on your life?
5. How important is it that we walk through small doors that seem insignificant? Why is faithfulness and consistency important for us to practice? (See Keys are Sequential)
6. Pastor Dave said, "Some keys are seasonal." What windows of opportunity are before you that you need to act on right now?
7. What things do you need to let go of in order to pick up the new things God has for you?
8. What doors are you and your family praying over right now? Take time in your group to pray for keys?