

Kev's Guys On-Line Sermon Notes

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See: <https://victory.com/about-victory/>

Sermon Title: "The Master Key"

Scripture:

- Rev 1:18: 17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. 18 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.
- Mathew 16:19: Peter Declares That Jesus Is the Messiah: 13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" 14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?" 16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." 17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades[c] will not overcome it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be[d] bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.
- Col 1:27: Paul's Labor for the Church: 24 Now I rejoice in what I am suffering for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is still lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, which is the church. 25 I have become its servant by the commission God gave me to present to you the word of God in its fullness— 26 the mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the Lord's people. 27 To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.
- Proverbs 18:21: From the fruit of their mouth a person's stomach is filled; with the harvest of their lips they are satisfied. 21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.
- 2 Kings 2:16: 7 Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. 8 Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. 9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied. 10 "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not."
- Mathew 9:29 to 31:

Elevation Worship:

- Gone: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IxHTUEhHoQg>
- Never Lost:
- No One Besides:
- Worthy: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ak5WTb-mgeA>

Quote from Mary - a pre-sermon speech during Reflect 2019: and I'm not one of time focusing and filling in.

Sermon notes – "The Master Key" - Pastor Paul Daugherty – Lead Pastor at Victory Church in Telsa-OK.

- Welcome Elevation Greenville – Elevation Church's 19<sup>th</sup> campus.
- Reflect 2019: 8,207 in attendance, 49 states, and 34 countries.
- Let's give God praise today - Lord you are so good - and you are so faithful.

- We praise you God.
- What an honor it is to be with you today.
- I've been watching elevation Church online for many years and Elevation Church has had a tremendous impact on Victory Church in Tulsa Oklahoma.
- I discovered Elevation Church 10 years ago during a very discouraging season of my life - my dad had just passed.
- And during this time, I was overwhelmed and filled with self-doubt.
- I started listening to Pastor Steven during a series called "Purple People Leader."
- Elevation church you are changing the world -and I want you to know that today.
- When Pastor's Furtick preached at my church a few years ago, I told your Pastor that he had help me find my roar.
- Every lion must eventually find their roar – think the movie Lion King.
- The Bible says that the righteous are bold as lions.
- Although some of you might not have found your roar yet – the world is waiting for your roar.
- The world is waiting to see the sons and daughters of God revealed.
- You were born to roar - not to be filled with fear or insecurity.
- You were born for more - were born to rise-up - you were born to rise above adversity.
- See Revelation 1:18
- John was in the middle of his most difficult adversity on the island of Patmos and was about to receive his greatest revelation.
- Some of you might be in exile.
- He was alone and he felt forgotten.
- He was wondering where God was - and in that moment - God gave John his greatest revelation of power for the church.
- We serve a God who is alive - When we hold the keys.
- We have the keys over Satan - and we have restricted all of his power that he has over our lives.
- Although the weapon was formed, it will not prosper.
- **We all have the keys of authority and we hold the keys of responsibility.**
- And I love the fact that Jesus did not keep the keys to himself.
- In fact, it says in Revelation 3 that Jesus is opening a door for us.
- See Matthew 16:19.
- We are that church - and we get the keys to the kingdom.
- I want to preach today on this topic of you having the keys.
- **Opening prayer: Lord speak to us today. We are encouraged, refreshed, and reminded that we have the keys to victory - we have the keys to peace - we have the keys to joy - we have the keys to freedom - we have the keys to hope - we have the keys to see you do what you called us to do - that you can move through us and in us - and God I thank you that we have the keys to give you praise today. In Jesus name amen**
- Keys not only represent access to something - the keys that God has given us to unlock doors that we need to open - the keys are also needed to lock doors of unnecessary stuff that is trying to come into our lives.
- The keys are not just for you to access God's presence.
- Keys are also needed to block the devil from coming in and wreaking havoc in our minds, in our marriages, and in our hearts.
- **I came here today to tell you that some of you have keys that you are not using.**
- Some of us have forgotten about keys that are in your pocket.

- And we are letting depression come in - and anxiety come in – and worry – and fear - and discouragement - and self-doubt to come in.
- When we let the enemy come right into our house - and God is here to tell us today - come on now - God gave us some keys.
- My dad told me many years ago the keys are more than physical things - that they are spiritual things as well.
- **The spiritual keys are activated inside of us.**
- **Today, I give you a few ways that you can activate your keys**
- **#1: how you see yourself and how you see God - how you see the problems that you face.**
- The word believe is an internal word - a belief that anything is possible - to see where God is about to take you.
- **See Joshua 6:2 - You have to see the victory before you experience the victory.**
- A few years ago, my dad took me to some undeveloped land in Tulsa Oklahoma and showed me the future site of his church - and everything that his father envisioned came to pass.
- You have to close your eyes to really see – not dependent on natural site - spiritual site - to be able to see with the eyes of faith.
- See Proverbs 23 - so the man thinks, he also sees.
- See Proverbs 29 - without a vision people perish
- if you have a vision is to where your life is going - you got to see where God wants to take you - and see what God can do through you.
- When God spoke to Gideon in Judges chapter 6, hey mighty warrior, I'm calling you to fight for Israel - calling him to win a battle for Israel - and Gideon responded by saying – who are talking to? I am weak and I am the youngest - were Gideon sees himself one-way, but God sees him a different way.
- **And how you see yourself and how you see God is with the most important thing about your life - Because we move in the direction of our vision.**
- **When David ran to Goliath, he saw a giant that was too big to miss - and the other Israelites saw Goliath is a giant that was too big to conquer.**
- **It's all a matter of spiritual vision - how you see your life - and how you see your circumstances.**
- Some of you today are facing Giants.
- **God says - come rest & see this through the eyes of faith - that anything is possible - that you are not born with limitations - you were born with possibility.**
- You are not born to bow down in a spirit of fear - to run from Goliath - we were born to chase the lions.
- When I started preaching for the first time I was overwhelmed by the negative comments on YouTube.
- **God's message is clear: stop looking for others to approve you - when I have already approved of you.**
- **Stop looking for others to validate you - God has already validated you.**
- **Their thoughts did not shake you - so don't let their thoughts break you.**
- **Their thoughts did not create you so don't let their thoughts form you - as to who you think you should be.**
- We have to go back to how God sees us - God sees us as being wonderfully and fearfully made.
- He sees you as more than a conqueror.
- God sees you as a mighty warrior.
- #2 serving:
- As a pastor's kid I was required to serve – and we were the free labor for our pastor.
- Recall the humorous story of Paul getting rejected by his sister to join the church praise band.
- You don't need a title to serve - just go and serve where there is a need.
- **Find a need and serve it - find a hurt and heal it.**
- **If serving is beneath you, then leading is above you.**
- **If you are too big to serve, you are too small to lead.**

- **Some of you are waiting for a platform and God tells us to serve where we are at.**
- One of my jobs was to be part of the janitorial staff - no matter what the job, God still sees you.
- When you feel invisible - God sees you.
- Although some service opportunities appear to be humiliating - God told me that humiliation is God's preparation for elevation.
- Your humiliation is preparation for acceleration.
- Some people want to jump from seasons because they're watching other people stories - and God tells us to get our eyes off other people stories - God has a story for you start owning your story.
- Recall humorous story of Larry writing a Christian song and then being told he didn't have a good enough voice to sing it.
- About 10 ½ years ago, I was so excited to graduate from college and start working for my dad's church.
- I then told my dad that I was ready to serve his church with vigor and ready to take possession of the keys to victory.
- My dad then gave me only one key to my office - not a large key ring like the other staff.
- I complained to my dad that I wanted access and I wanted authority.
- Shortly after joining my dad's church, I had to rush to the hospital see my dad who had only a few months to live.
- I lost it - and I was highly emotional.
- Why is this happening? He has been a good man and a man of integrity.
- Here I think I wrongfully concluded that my faith was built on things going my way.
- **When you face a crisis, you find out what your faith is made of.**
- Either your faith is on shifting sand or your faith is on solid rock.
- **I became disillusioned when I anchored my faith on my father getting healed.**
- Sometimes you get to see the miracle - and sometimes you get to be the miracle.
- And while in the hospital room, I watched my pastor, my dad, and my best friend pass away.
- And I was so overwhelmed and concerned that our church wasn't going to make it - because it was built on my Dad's vision and his leadership.
- And then God spoke to me this way: your dad finished his race and now it is time to start yours. Serve your mom (as she took over as interim pastor). Serve the church and get ready for your next season to be the Pastor Victory church. And nobody needs to know this vision.
- And I know what happens when younger brothers share a vision with family - remember what happened to Joseph when he shared his vision - he was sold into slavery.
- Over the next year, I questioned my ability to be a future Pastor at a church like this.
- Many nights I go to the church to play the piano and practice preaching.
- And many nights I tried to get into the church, but I could get in because I did not have the keys - and I would have to rely on the security guard or janitor.
- This was also an emotional feeling because I didn't think that I had the keys of confidence. Did I have the keys to preach like my dad preached? Did I have the keys to cast vision like my dad did?
- I didn't have the keys to pray for people to get healed - because I didn't think my prayers worked.
- Then the church board met with me a year later - to inform me that my Dad told the Board that I would be the next pastor of Victory Church - and the board held off notifying me to afford me more time to be developed.
- **Many people want God to elevate their platform - but we are not willing to let God develop our character.**
- And all have to go through the developmental phase that is dark - where it's frustrating - where you want to quit - where you don't feel that you have what it takes.

- And God says - hold on here - I'm pulling out those insecurities - I'm pulling out those needs for approval – I am pulling out those feelings of fear. Some things I need to pull out to remind you who you are in Christ.
- And I remember leaving that board meeting thinking - I still don't have the keys.
- And a week went by - and I went to our church one night - and I was outside the building - and I called a security guard to gain access - however the security guard told me that he's was delayed, and he would not be there for about another hour.
- And I didn't want to wait because I was in such a dark and discouraging place.
- So, I started to attempt to break into our church. I even tried to use a credit card to jam open a door. And nothing was working.
- And then I pulled out one and only key thinking I was going to shove it into the door lock and then force the door open.
- **I then discovered that my one key fit into the door lock perfectly.**
- **I then discovered that I had in my possession the master key for the church.**
- **I was weeping for two reasons: a I've had the master key this whole time and b. I've always had the master key in Christ.**
- But I never knew it.
- And when I walked onto the stage the auditorium - I heard God say to me this: "you got this" - and I was no longer intimidated.
- **See Colossians 1:27. It is Christ in you. Christ in me is the hope and glory.**
- **Christ in me is the master key.**
- **Elevation church: I came here today to tell you - you have the master key - you don't need a bunch of keys - all you need is one key - and you have the master key that opens up the door of victory.**
- **You have the master key to be free from the door of insecurity - you have the key that unlocks the door that leads to healing in your marriage - you have the key that unlocks the door to joy in your heart - you have the key that unlocks the door to have peace in your life.**
- It's not you - it's Jesus inside of you.
- It is Christ in me that is the master key.
- The fundamental question is do you have what it takes?
- The most important lesson for me was the master key did not work unless I used it.
- It had been in my pocket the whole time however I was not using it.
- **Some of you have had the key to the thing that is in your heart - but you have not been using it.**
- God is telling you right now today - you got this - you have the key to the dreams that are in your heart.
- Stop doubting yourself - stop questioning yourself - you got this.
- **The key is not just vision activated - and it is not activated by serving – it is voice activated.**
- **It's the words that you speak.**
- **The chatterbox of negativity will not promote healthy speech.**
- And God says this: Since you have the master key, change the words that you speak.
- I started by saying - our best days are right in front of us.
- To motivate me to preach well - I wrote the following on a napkin: I'm here on purpose.
- The enemy of here is there - the enemy is someplace else - someone else doing something else - we have been watching so many people's other stories – we need to own it and be here - right now.
- You are here on purpose - regardless of what you are doing right now.
- You are here on purpose because you have a purpose.
- Let's give it up for the volunteers that make this thing happen at Elevation Church.
- **Where you are right now is where God wants you.**

- **You are here on purpose - I started speaking this - because the Bible says that life and death are in the power of the tongue - the Bible says that we can prophesy over our future.**
- What are you speaking over your children today?
- What are you speaking over your future today?
- Envision yourself on a field - what do you see?
- Where do you see your life going? What do you see that is possible?
- **You are not born with limitations - you are born with possibility.**
- You have the master key to start declaring that the best days are in front of you.
- After my dad passed thousands left the church.
- So, I had to start prophesying to the empty seats that are now full.
- Because I saw Victory Church as a place for people that need Jesus.
- **In one of 19 elevation campuses, there is an empty share waiting for someone to sit in - someone that needs Jesus.**
- **Never stop reaching people and never stop filling buildings.**
- Never stop inviting your neighbors.
- **Somebody's life is waiting on you.**
- Don't ever get comfortable as to where you are at - because we have not seen our best days yet - we have not seen your greatest miracles – we haven't heard the best sermon yet - the best days of elevation church are right in front of you.
- And the door is only open when you unlock it - you have to start declaring your promise and potential.
- We are all dealing with high levels of anxiety to depression and discouragement.
- You are fearfully and wonderfully made - you have got what it takes - you're more than a conqueror.
- In the moment of surrender - you activate the keys of the kingdom.
- After making the decision to totally surrender to God, a person provided a check that was larger than any donation in history the Victory Church.
- And then additional funds kept flowing in.
- **Some of you are just beginning to walk into a harvest that your parents prayed for.**
- **And some of you are walking in a field of a harvest that you did not have to labor in.**
- **The key lesson here is you have to see it, you have to speak it, you have to serve, and you have to surrender to it.**
- **Closing prayer: You have the master key. It is time to start activating it. Jesus I surrender – I am all yours - help me to see what you see - help me to serve where you've called me to be - help me to speak what you have spoken - I surrender - I believe that you died on the cross for my sins - I believe he rose from the grave and today I declare you are my savior - Christ in me is the master key - in Jesus name amen**

eGroup Acts study #2:

When the Holy Spirit enters our life

Acts 6: 1-15: Acts 6 New International Version (NIV): The Choosing of the Seven - 6 In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. 2 So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, "It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. 3 Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them 4 and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word." 7 So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large

number of priests became obedient to the faith. Stephen Seized 8 Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. 9 Opposition arose, however, from members of the Synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called)—Jews of Cyrene and Alexandria as well as the provinces of Cilicia and Asia—who began to argue with Stephen. 10 But they could not stand up against the wisdom the Spirit gave him as he spoke. 11 Then they secretly persuaded some men to say, "We have heard Stephen speak blasphemous words against Moses and against God." 15 All who were sitting in the Sanhedrin looked intently at Stephen, and they saw that his face was like the face of an angel.

1 Tim 2: 8: 8 Therefore I want the men everywhere to pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or disputing. 9 I also want the women to dress modestly, with decency and propriety, adorning themselves, not with elaborate hairstyles or gold or pearls or expensive clothes

Ex 34:29 – 30: 29 When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the covenant law in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. 30 When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. 31 But Moses called to them; so Aaron and all the leaders of the community came back to him, and he spoke to them. 32 Afterward all the Israelites came near him, and he gave them all the commands the Lord had given him on Mount Sinai.

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<https://elevationchurch.org/curriculum/week-2-evidence-of-the-spirit/>

Key points: Structure, Struggle, Standards, and Stance

- What are the areas for structure that you need?
- Struggle means alignment with God – change your perspective to see how God wants you to work around your struggle. Alignment with God = you have the correct perspective during your struggles.
- Evidence of the Spirit = the presence of challenges to the status quo + the need to modify your standards
- What standards in your life need to be adjusted?
- What areas of your life need to be challenged? What do you have to push away from?
- When we add some structure and add some standards, we take on a different look and have a more robust stance.
- What standards do you need to adjust to upgrade your stance?
- You are not promised a perfect life when we are in the spirit.