



Pastor's Weekly Word:
"The Keys"

7.13.16

Mark Your Calendar

*Take a look at these many opportunities to serve
and spiritually invest in yourself.*

7.19.16

Enrichment Night : Discover Holy Spirit 7pm
A time of discussion, prayer, worship & fellowship

8.12.16

AXIS Prayer Gathering at 7pm

8.12.16

Newark Breakfast at Bethel A/G 9am

8.12.16

West Caldwell Care Center 2pm

8.28.16

Pastor Jon to Appear on Mountain Views
Channel 18, 20, or 63 (based on your cable provider)

I remember picking up my very first car for \$1,500 from the gas station at the end of my block. She was a fire engine red, 1989 Ford Escort Pony, which was the more sporty edition. When I received my first car, no one picked up the vehicle and handed it to me. Instead, they gave me a key which symbolized my ownership of the vehicle. It's amazing how a small piece of metal that is shaped with a specific coded pattern can change and impact us. This time of year you may be looking forward to the keys to your vacation rental, which represent access to relaxation. Those keys mean no laundry, cooking or punching a time clock for a few days! Do you remember your first apartment or home? You gained a greater sense of belonging and safety when you were given those keys in the lawyers or rental office. Having the keys to our desires has such great power over our perception.

In the Bible, the disciple Peter had a change of perspective when he publically acknowledged Jesus as the Messiah. Jesus then responded by teaching Peter and the other disciples that when they saw through spiritual eyes that God would release the power of Heaven on earth. Where do you need to take the Keys to the Kingdom of God and release healing, peace, provision, or any of the promises of God over your life? Today, take your place as a believer in Jesus by locking up whatever is not of God, and releasing the power of God!

"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." - Matthew 16:19



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