

Concert Prayer is a vital part of the Concert Ministry- We looked last week at applying Excellence to your ministry, but we cannot discount the supernatural aspect of all Ministry- That is: we need God to help us, and we get God involved through Prayer-

Matthew 16:19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

I THE PRAYER KEY:

A- We understand that Keys give access... Jesus teaches here that: Prayer is a key that gives us access to heaven-

1. **Daniel 10:12** Since the first day you began to pray, your request has been heard in heaven... God Hears
2. **2 Chronicles 7:14** if my people will humble themselves and pray then I will hear from heaven... God Hears

B- Now, we still have this key! Jesus ensured its ours: **Matthew 16:19** I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven-

1. This key has been given to us! This key is supposed to be used-
2. See, Prayer is vital to everything we do in concert ministry-
 - a. We pray for Anointing: (*divine effectiveness*) **1 Samuel 16:23** And whenever the tormenting spirit from God troubled Saul, David would play the harp. Then Saul would feel better, and the tormenting spirit would go away.
 - b. We pray for Guidance: **2 Chronicles 26:5** Uzziah sought God during the days of Zechariah, who taught him to fear God. And as long as the king sought guidance from the LORD, God gave him success.
 - c. We pray for Strategy: **2 Samuel 5:23** And again David asked the LORD what to do. “Do not attack them straight on,” the LORD replied. “Instead, circle around behind and attack them near the poplar trees.

II BINDING AND LOOSING:

A- Part of this key also involves **declaring** what is acceptable vs what is unacceptable-

1. **Matthew 16:19** I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you **bind** on earth shall be **bound** in heaven, and whatever you **loose** on earth shall be **loosed** in heaven.”
2. Bind simply means NO- Whatever you say NO to, heaven will back your NO- Part of prayer is saying NO
 - a. NO to witchcraft, weapons formed, barrenness, despair, division, rebellion, mockery, hard hearts-
3. Loose simply means YES- Whatever you say YES to, heaven will back your YES- Part of prayer is saying YES
 - a. YES to dominion, fruitfulness, anointing, favor, visitors, miracles, deliverance...
4. So, When you pray, THINK: what do you want to see?
 - a. PG: To be a man of prayer you need to THINK! **1 Corinthians 14:15** what shall I do? I will pray in the spirit, and I will also pray in words I understand.

III USE THE KEY:

A- Now, Every believer should use this Key- Its our access to heaven!

1. Every Disciple should use this key: Every disciple on any level can use their key to access heaven-
2. Every Leader should use this key: If you lead a ministry in One80, you can use your key that you have been given
3. Every Person involved should use this key: What else are we standing on? How else are we supposed to build KOH
 - a. **Psalms 127:1** Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labor in vain.

B- The blessing is, Prayer **will** produce results!

1. Can I inspire you: Your prayers could be the difference maker of a concert!
2. Your prayers can inspire others to pray... **Proverbs 27:17** As Iron sharpens Iron
3. E. Roc: We used to pray for our events held at our church: *God, put us in contact with people on the East side...*
 - a. This is because the greater population was 1 million people... We would evangelize N, W, S...
 - b. It was amazing how we would often hear, *I live in ER* or *I live near there* or *I live on the East side...*
 - i. Many times when we were on the opposite side of the city!