

He Holds The Keys

Scripture: Revelation 1, 8, 18

Introduction

The major problem that most of us have in our walk with God is that we really don't trust Him. We are willing to trust anything and anybody else before we trust Him. But when we realize who Jesus is, what He has done on our behalf, and what His authority is, we can enter into that realm of trust that makes us successful as a Christian.

I. Who he is

Revelation 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

- A. He is the beginning of everything
 - 1. He is the Creator of all things

John 1:3 All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made
 - 2. He is the Sustainer of all things

Colossians 1:17 (see 16) And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.
- B. He is the eternal constant

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever.
- C. He is the Almighty

II. What he has done on our behalf

Revelation 1:18a I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen

Romans 4:25 Who was delivered for our offenses and, and raised for our justification.

- A. Christ, our sacrificial Lamb
- B. Christ, our Advocate

1 John 2:1b ... And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

III. What his authority is

Revelation 1:18b ... and I HAVE THE KEYS of hell and of death.

- A. He has the keys to the habits that bind you
- B. He has the keys to the secret sins that defeat you
- C. He has the keys to the emotions that hinder you
- D. He has the keys to your marriage
- E. He has the keys to your finances