PROTECTING THE NEXT GENERATION - THE REVELATION OF AUTHORITY... DOORKEEPERS

MATTHEW 16:15-19

MATTHEW 16:15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

MATTHEW 16:16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

MATTHEW 16:17 Jesus answered and said to him, "BLESSED are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not REVEALED this to you, BUT MY FATHER who is in heaven.

MATTHEW 16:18 AND I also say to you that you are Peter, AND ON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH, AND the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

MATTHEW 16:19 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."

1. DOORKEEPERS ARE <u>BIBLICAL</u>

Matthew 16:18

MATTHEW 16:18 AND I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock, I will build my church, AND THE **GATES** OF HADES SHALL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST IT.

EZEKIEL 44:11 Yet they shall be ministers in My sanctuary, as gatekeepers of the house and ministers of the house;

1 CHRONICLES 15:22 Chenaniah, leader of the Levites, was instructor in charge of the music, because he was skillful;

1 CHRONICLES 15:23 Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for the ark;

1 CHRONICLES 15:24

Shebaniah, Joshaphat, Nethanel, Amasai, Zechariah, Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, were to blow the trumpets before the ark of God; and Obed-Edom and Jehiah, doorkeepers for the ark.

2. THE ROLE OF A DOCKEPER

Mark 13:33-35

MARK 13:33 Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is.

MARK 13:34 It is like a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded [enjoin] the DOORKEEPER to watch.

MARK 13:35 WATCH THEREFORE, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming—in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning—

3. <u>RESPONSIBILITY</u> OF A DOORKEEPER

2 Corinthians 2:12

2 COR. 2:12 Furthermore, when I came to Troas to preach Christ's gospel, and A DOOR was opened to me by the Lord...

LUKE 19:41 Now as He drew near, He saw the city [Jerusalem] and wept over it,

LUKE 19:42 saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

LUKE 19:43 For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side,

LUKE 19:44 and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

