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6. The Prayer of Binding and Loosing

This prayer is found in Matthew 18:18–19, where Jesus says:

Assuredly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven.

There are several important nuggets in Jesus’s statements here, with the first being that we have authority *here on this earth* by virtue of our covenant rights through Jesus.

The second thing we notice is the *direction* of the action. Things do not begin in heaven and come to earth, but rather the action starts here on earth. Notice that it says, “Whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Like all things in God’s system, this prayer only works in line with God’s Word and His laws. You cannot *bind* things willy-nilly. Binding a team to lose in the Super Bowl won’t work anymore than loosing someone to love you will work. You can bind foul spirits that are at work in people’s lives or loose angelic spirits to work on your behalf in those areas where God has already promised you results. When you pray in that manner, God affirms it in heaven and puts His seal of approval on your prayer. Binding and loosing have to be based on the authority that God has granted you in Scripture, not on some desire you have.

BINDING AND LOOSING: THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM AND EXERCISING YOUR SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY

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This post will be about binding and loosing. We hope to shed light on this subject in a way that you may not have thought about it before.

There are so many things that we pray for and we wait for God to respond when in fact God has already told us what to do. He has already given us the strategies that we need in order to succeed. God is not going to come to earth and do the things that He has already given the church the authority or ability to do.

That is what binding and loosing is all about. Using the spiritual authority we already have to carry out the work of the Kingdom.

Before we get into this teaching let's define what a semi-colon is. Yes, a semi-colon (;).

A semi colon can be used in the place of a comma. It is mainly used to continue a sentence that could be finished by a full stop, but is too long to have a comma. Or not quite right to have a comma.

Why is this important? Well, in order for us to properly understand the scripture that we will share about binding and loosing it is important to understand that a semi-colon is used to continue the same sentence. When we understand this it is much easier to get the significance of this scripture.

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

There are so many people that are still walking around searching for the "keys of the kingdom of heaven" when God already gave it to us in this scripture. It is following the semi-colon "***whatever YOU bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever YOU loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.***"

Yes, it is so subtle but so true. The authority has been given to the believer in Christ Jesus to bind and loose. This is the key.

You bind and You Loose. You have this power so God has already given you the ability to take action and all you have to do is use it.

So **what does binding mean?** The Greek word is *deo* (Stong's concordance G1210)

- I.* to bind tie, fasten
 - A.* to bind, fasten with chains, to throw into chains
 - B.* metaph.
 - i.* Satan is said to bind a woman bent together by means of a demon, as his messenger, taking possession of the woman and preventing her from standing upright
 - ii.* to bind, put under obligation, of the law, duty etc.
 - a.* to be bound to one, a wife, a husband
 - iii.* to forbid, prohibit, declare to be illicit

So when you bind something you are forbidding it, prohibiting it from happening and putting it in chains.

How do we define loosing? The Greek is *lyo* (Strongs 3089)

- I.* to loose any person (or thing) tied or fastened
 - A.* bandages of the feet, the shoes,
 - B.* of a husband and wife joined together by the bond of matrimony
 - C.* of a single man, whether he has already had a wife or has not yet married
- II.* to loose one bound, i.e. to unbind, release from bonds, set free
 - A.* of one bound up (swathed in bandages)
 - B.* bound with chains (a prisoner), discharge from prison, let go
- III.* to loosen, undo, dissolve, anything bound, tied, or compacted together
 - A.* an assembly, i.e. to dismiss, break up
 - B.* laws, as having a binding force, are likened to bonds
 - C.* to annul, subvert
 - D.* to do away with, to deprive of authority, whether by precept or act
 - E.* to declare unlawful

So, loosing is the opposite action. You are untying something loosening it. You are setting it free.

Now we will show you how to use this in prayer.

Imagine that you see something happening around you and you know it's not right, it's not godly, it's demonic, it's an injustice, it is a complete violation of the word of God (this is not your opinion or your feelings). Once you identify that this is not the will of God you have the authority to bind it up and to loose the Kingdom and all of it's righteousness in place of that! So your prayer would sound like this "I bind up pride in the name of Jesus and I loose humility" So you would loose the opposite of what you are binding up. You could even pray this over yourself in whatever area you see that you may need it.

"I bind up fear and I loose the perfected love of Christ" this would be based on the scripture (1 John 4:18) *"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love."*

When you bind up something you think of the opposite to loose over the situation.

The prayer of binding and loosing is very effective if you use it as an offensive prayer. Don't wait until you get into a situation or things get tense before you do this. If you know that you are about to face a confrontation or a bad situation you start binding and loosing before you even get to the scene. This will ensure that things are in order before you show up and God has already sent his angels to take care of it before you arrive.

Here is a general binding and loosing prayer:

Jesus, according to Matthew 16:19 you said that you gave us the keys to the Kingdom and whatsoever I bind on earth is bound in heaven; therefore, I bind the enemy and every angel that was kicked out of heaven from interfering with Your blessings coming into my life. I bind every principality, every power, every might and dominion, every ruler of darkness and every spirit in high places from interfering in my life, my family, my health, my finances, my ministry, my business, my relationships with others and more importantly with you Lord. They will not be able to operate in any aspect of my life or have any influence over it, in Your Holy Name and according to your word Amen.

Lord Jesus, You also said that whatsoever I loose on earth will be loosed in heaven; therefore, I ask that you give the angels of heaven charge over me, according to Psalm 91. I ask that you loose the angels to hearken the Word of God on my behalf. Loose Your blessings and favor over

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my life, my family, my health, my finances, my ministry, my business, my relationships in Your Holy Name, Amen

Now remember that you can make this prayer as specific as you need it to be for your situation. If you are not sure of what you should loose for what you are binding up leave us a comment below and we'll be happy to give you some suggestions.

****Please note, that this binding and loosing is not a permanent prayer.** What does that mean? You *may* need to do this all again tomorrow. The main reason is sin and it is the enemy's job to get you in a sinful situation so that you lose the authority to stop him in his tracks. You can read more about this here in a post on [Spiritual Warfare](#). Under the beginner and intermediate stages it explains why some prayers get undone because of sin.

Until then, God bless you and remember you have the power and authority to do this because it was given to you by Jesus himself.