

The Power Of A Praying Church

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Acts 12:1-18, Matthew 16:18,
Nehemiah 8:10, Psalms 91:1-16,
Romans 1:17, Luke 6:21, Luke 1:37,
Proverbs 13:22, Matthew 4:4,
Habakkuk 1:5

Acts 12:1

Now about that time Herod
the king stretched forth
his hands to vex certain of
the church.

Acts 12:2

And he killed James the
brother of John with the
sword.

Acts 12:3

And because he saw it pleased
the Jews, he proceeded
further to take Peter also.
(Then were the days of
unleavened bread.)

Acts 12:4

And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

Acts 12:5

Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

Acts 12:6

And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door kept the prison.

Acts 12:7

And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands.

Acts 12:8

And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

Acts 12:9

And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision.

Acts 12:10

When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him.

Acts 12:11

And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the LORD hath sent his angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

Acts 12:12

And when he had considered the thing, he came to the house of Mary the mother of John, whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together praying.

Acts 12:13

And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a damsel came to hearken, named Rhoda.

Acts 12:14

And when she knew Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and told how Peter stood before the gate.

Acts 12:15

And they said unto her,
Thou art mad. But she
constantly affirmed that it
was even so. Then said
they, It is his angel.

Acts 12:16

But Peter continued knocking: and when they had opened the door, and saw him, they were astonished.

Acts 12:17

But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace, declared unto them how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said, Go shew these things unto James, and to the brethren. And he departed, and went into another place.

Acts 12:18

Now as soon as it was day,
there was no small stir
among the soldiers, what
was become of Peter.

Matthew 16:18

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Satan fears
when a church
dares to pray

The prayer of
faith makes the
difference

Prayer shouldn't be a last resort. Daily prayer stays ahead of anything the devil might bring.

Nehemiah 8:10

Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our LORD: neither be ye sorry; **for the joy of the LORD is your strength.**

Don't take your
problems to
bed with you.

Psalms 91:1

He that dwelleth in the
secret place of the most
High shall abide under the
shadow of the Almighty.

Psalms 91:2

I will say of the LORD, He
is my refuge and my
fortress: my God; in him
will I trust.

God is not a god
of limitation

Romans 1:17

For therein is the
righteousness of God
revealed from faith to
faith: as it is written, The
just shall live by faith.

Luke 6:21

Blessed are ye that hunger
now: for ye shall be filled.
Blessed are ye that weep
now: for ye shall laugh.

There are angels
on assignment
for every one of
us.

Psalms 91:11

For he shall give his
angels charge over thee,
to keep thee in all thy
ways.

It is time for the
chains of
limitation to
fall off.

Let God break
every chain

It is time to
believe God to
set our families
free!!

Luke 1:37

For he shall give his
angels charge over thee,
to keep thee in all thy
ways.

Proverbs 13:22

A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

Little is much
when God is in
it.

Matthew 4:4

But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Habakkuk 1:5

Behold ye among the heathen,
and regard, and wonder
marvelously: for I will work a
work in your days which ye will
not believe, though it be told
you.

God is the God
of turn around.

The church's finest
hour is ahead of
us if we will hold
steady.

God can do a work
that man cannot
understand. Man
cannot stop it.

Because we serve
an unstoppable
God, we are
unstoppable.

You are still
alive because
God has a work
for you to do.