

Jesus Promised to Build His Church

(Matthew 16:18)



The **Church** belongs to God
(Mat 16:18) And **I** say also unto
thee, That thou art Peter [small stone],
and upon this rock [large rock—Jesus]
I will build **my church**; and the
gates of hell [death or Satan's power] shall
not prevail (win) against it (church).

[Deut. 32:4; Psalm 18:2, 31; 1 Cor. 3:11; Eph. 2:20; 1 Peter 2:4-8]

(Mat 16:19) And I will give unto thee the keys [authority] of the kingdom of heaven [church is the "Body of Christ" doing all in Jesus' name and with His authority]: and whatsoever (all) thou shalt bind (close) on earth shall be bound (closed) in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose (open) on earth shall be loosed (opened) in heaven.

[Jews (Acts 2); Samaritans (Acts 8:14-17); Gentiles (Acts 10)]
{(Mat 18:18) this authority is given to all the apostles}