

THE POWER AND AUTHORITY OF JESUS' CHURCH

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¹⁸ "**Truly** I say to you, whatever you shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

¹⁹ "Again I say to you, that if two of you agree on earth about anything that they may ask, it shall be done for them by My Father who is in heaven.

²⁰ "For where two or three have gathered together in My name, there I am in their midst."

- **According to Jesus What does the power and authority of the church rest upon?**
- **Unity of purpose to act with the entrusted power and authority**
- **Embodied Comm-unity gathered**
 - **Asking**
- **Presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ!**
 - **Our Father who is in heaven**

- **According to Jesus What does the power and authority of the church rest upon?**
- **1. Unity of purpose to act**– whatever you'all bind...whatever you'all loose.
- Binding and loosing describe a militant church –
Matt 16:18, Matt 12:29

- **According to Jesus What does the power and authority of the church rest upon?**
- **2. Embodied Comm-unity – gathered ‘in the name of Jesus’**
- Gathering in submission to the person, purpose and leadership and mission of Jesus.

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**• Embodied Comm-unity –
gathered ‘in the name of Jesus’
and....**

• 3. Asking

- A radically dependent community – poor in spirit
- John 14:12-14 -

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**•4. The real presence of
the Risen Lord Jesus
Christ!**

- The church must know, listen and obey the real Jesus to have the power and authority of the real King!

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- **5. 'Our Father who is in Heaven' bringing all things in heaven and on earth under His King and Son – our Lord Jesus Christ – Psalm 110**

**Will H2One with Unity of purpose act with
the entrusted power and authority and take
the Gospel to this generation and as an
Embodied Comm-unity gathered in
weakness**

Ask and rely upon

The Presence of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ!

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YOUR KINGDOM COME!