Authority in Prayer Discussion Questions -2

1. **In Matt. 16:18, the Greek word for church is "ekklesia". What does "ekklesia" mean?**
2. **What was the job of the ekklesia during the Roman Empire?**
3. **How is the church supposed to change culture?**
4. **Matthew 16:18 speaks of the "gates of hell". What happened at the gates of a city in Bible times?**
5. **What does the "gates of hell" mean?**
6. **In Matt. 16:18 Jesus says that the "gates of hell will not overcome" the church. What does this mean?**
7. **What do keys do? What does Jesus mean when he says he'll give us the keys of the kingdom? (See Matthew 16:19.)**
8. **What do snakes and scorpions represent in Luke 10:19? What does this verse tell us about the church's power?**
9. **Jesus told his disciples to command in prayer. What 2 commands are found in the Lord's Prayer? What do these commands mean?**
10. **In Matt. 16:19 Jesus talks about binding or forbidding evil on earth. Explain.**
11. **In Matt. 16:19 Jesus also talks about allowing or "loosing" good. Explain.**
12. **What evil do you see in your school, community, or nation? What can you do about it?**
13. **What good things do you want to see in your school, community, nation? What can you do about it?**
14. **What happens when the church sleeps?**
15. **Is there anything God wants you to pray about?**