

**Study Questions for the October 18, 2020 Sermon:  
“Hold My Keys!”  
Galatians 1:1-10, Matthew 18:15-20**

1. While discussing the role of the congregation in church governance, Pastor Paul quoted from Matthew 16:17-19. Some people use this passage to support the teaching that the “rock” of verse 18 is Peter, whom Jesus was appointing as Pope. Further, these people believe that in verse 19, Jesus was giving Pope Peter the authority to forgive sins (“loose” or “bind”). State whether you agree or disagree and support your answer with scripture.
2. Pastor Paul stated that the approach of missionaries to establishing worship services has changed. Historically, missionaries set up worship services that mimicked the service at their home church. More recently, missionaries have endeavored to enable indigenous populations to design worship services, while still retaining essential elements of worship. What are the “essential elements” of worship?
  - a. On a personal level, for what do you look when you attend a worship service?
  - b. Biblically, what elements should a worship service include?
3. Pastor Paul emphasized that the congregation can discern false gospels only in they understand the true gospel. In your personal experience, what elements of the true gospel do false preachers usually contradict?
4. According to Matthew 18, what is the first step in which you should engage if a fellow-Christian sins against you?
5. Assuming a church has some type of leadership structure (Pastors, Deacons, Elders, Trustees, etc.), what responsibilities for church governance fall upon the general congregation?