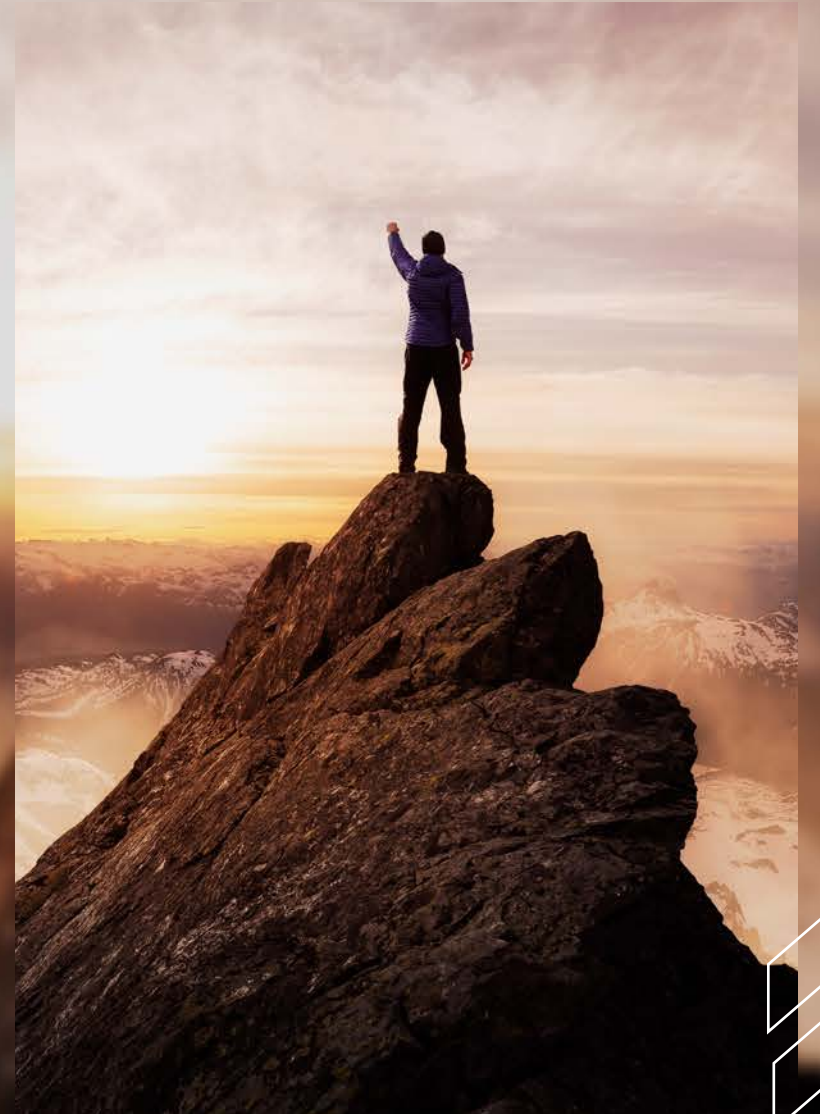




A NEW CUTTING EDGE

Matthew 16:13-19 (ESV)





**HOW DO WE HAVE A
*NEW CUTTING EDGE?***

“LIT”

**Extremely cool
Exciting**

VS

Literature

"SHIP"

**The hope that two
people become
a couple**

VS

**Sailing
Vessel**



"G.O.A.T."

**Greatest Of
All Time**

VS

**An
animal**



"SLAY"

Impressive

VS

**Kill in a
violent way**

1

CULTURAL RELEVANCE

Matthew 16:13-15

A hand is holding a camera lens, and through the lens, a cityscape is visible. The background is a blurred crowd of people.

CULTURAL RELEVANCE

- Jesus needed the disciples to know what was happening and what people were saying

A hand is holding a camera lens, and through the lens, a cityscape with various buildings and a clear sky is visible. The background of the entire image is a blurred crowd of people.

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- We must be convicted of what God is doing and take ownership
- We must be aware of what is happening in our world



*Being on the cutting edge
requires us to be culturally
relevant without becoming
spiritually numb*



2

ABSOLUTE CONVICTION

Matthew 16:16

ABSOLUTE CONVICTION

**Acknowledging
Jesus as Lord**



*In a world of eroding
values and shifting norms,
we need absolute
conviction of who Jesus is*



3

PROPHETIC REVELATION

Matthew 16:17

*18 You are my God, and I will give thanks to you,
you are my God; I will extol you,
19 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!*

PRAYERS

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PROPHETIC REVELATION

- God reveals His truth to us
- Power of our ministry comes from the revelation of the Lord
- Restoration of the prophetic anointing in our lives

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PRAYER

A close-up photograph of two hands, one from a person with a darker skin tone and one from a person with a lighter skin tone, reaching towards each other in a gesture of partnership or agreement. The hands are positioned in the upper half of the frame, with the fingers slightly curled. The background is a soft, out-of-focus landscape with a blue sky and a body of water. The overall tone is warm and hopeful.

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WHOLEHEARTED PARTNERSHIP

Matthew 16:18

WHOLEHEARTED PARTNERSHIP

- Jesus builds, we serve



WHOLEHEARTED PARTNERSHIP


- Jesus builds, we serve
- Church is built upon our lives and our ministry!



WHOLEHEARTED PARTNERSHIP

- Jesus builds, we serve
- Church is built upon our lives and our ministry!
- The gates of hell shall not prevail



A photograph of two hands reaching towards each other over a body of water. The hands are positioned in the lower half of the frame, with the fingers slightly curled as if about to grasp each other. The background is a soft-focus landscape with a body of water in the foreground and a line of trees and buildings in the distance under a hazy sky. The overall tone is serene and contemplative.

*“Without God, we cannot;
without us, God will not”*

Saint Augustine



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APOSTOLIC AUTHORITY

Matthew 16:19

APOSTOLIC AUTHORITY

- God has given us great spiritual authority



APOSTOLIC AUTHORITY

- God has given us great spiritual authority
- Restoration of apostolic anointing



APOSTOLIC AUTHORITY

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- Restoration of apostolic anointing
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 - Don't misuse it
 - Don't neglect it



***Without
apostolic authority,
we would not be able
to make lasting impact
in our world***

