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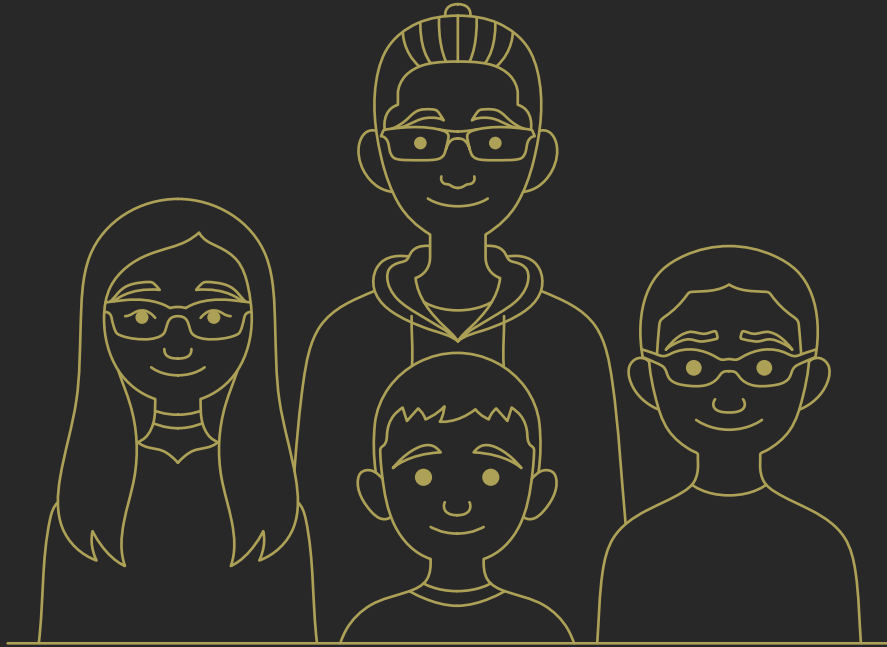


J. RYAN LISTER:

To Jude, Silas, Abby Kate, and Asher

*May your Infinite King give you eyes to see his glory, ears to hear his gospel,
a heart for him to dwell in, hands to serve him and be obedient to him,
and a mouth to sing his praises.*

Forever.



ANTHONY M. BENEDETTO:

To Guvey Go-vee-vees, Lovies, Bogie Bogini, and Griffiti

I love you so much it hurts my heart. You see dimly now,
but even the smallest glimpse of God's beauty can change everything.
I pray He open your eyes to see it.

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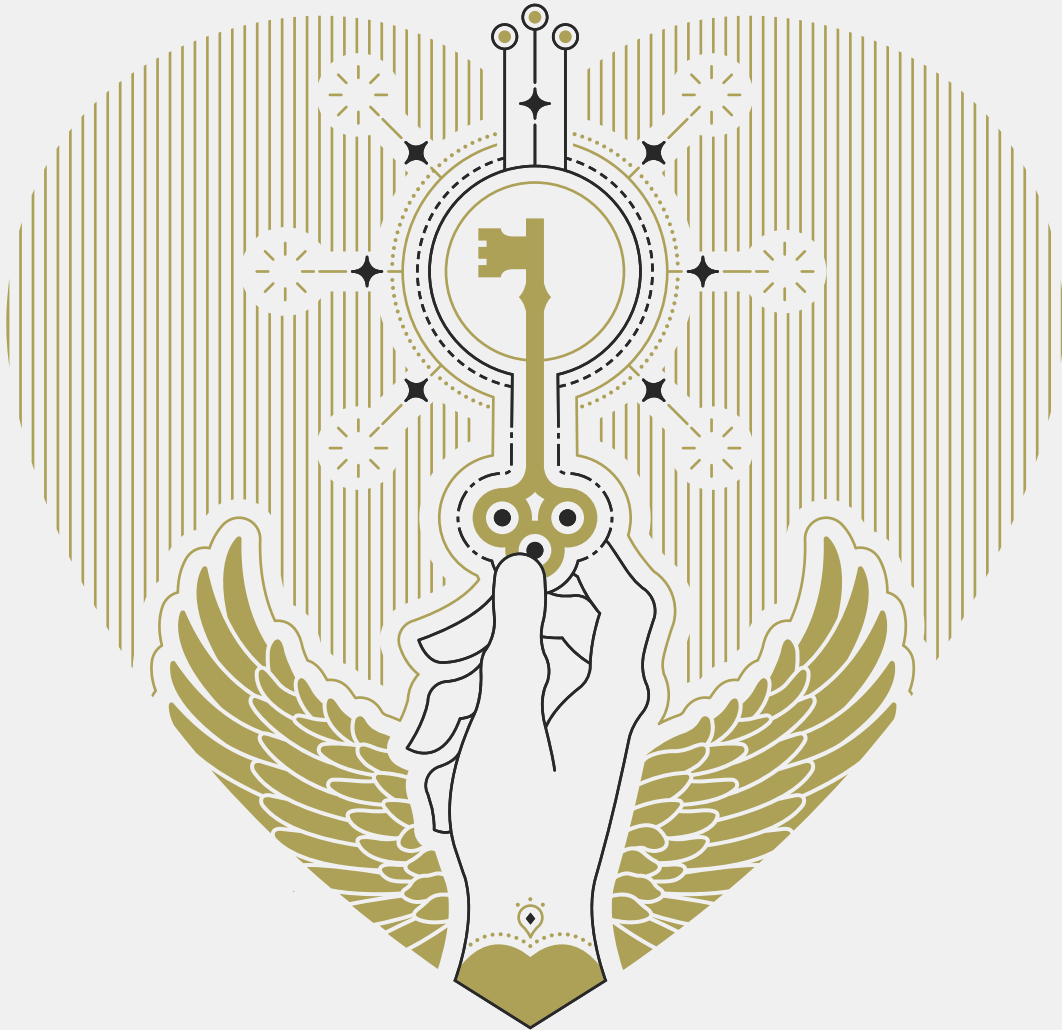
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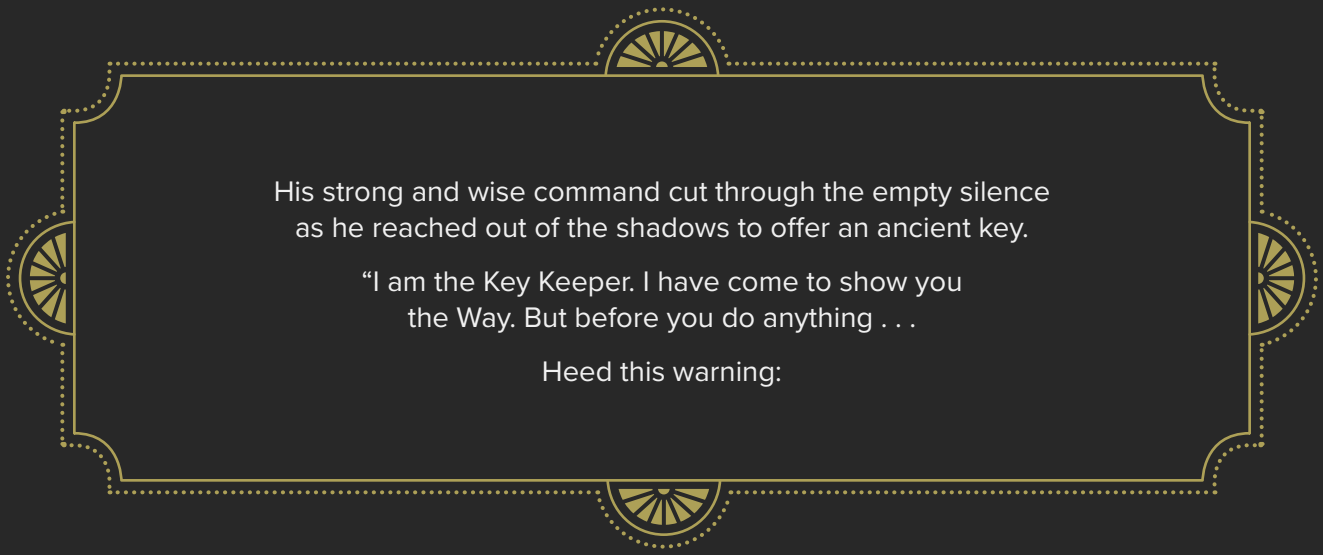
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INTRODUCTION

THE GIFT OF THE KEYS



PICK UP THE KEY AND OPEN THE LOCK

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His strong and wise command cut through the empty silence
as he reached out of the shadows to offer an ancient key.

“I am the Key Keeper. I have come to show you
the Way. But before you do anything . . .

Heed this warning:

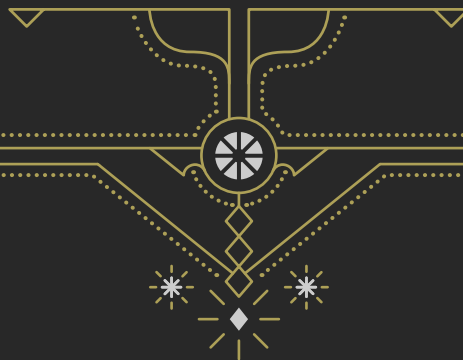


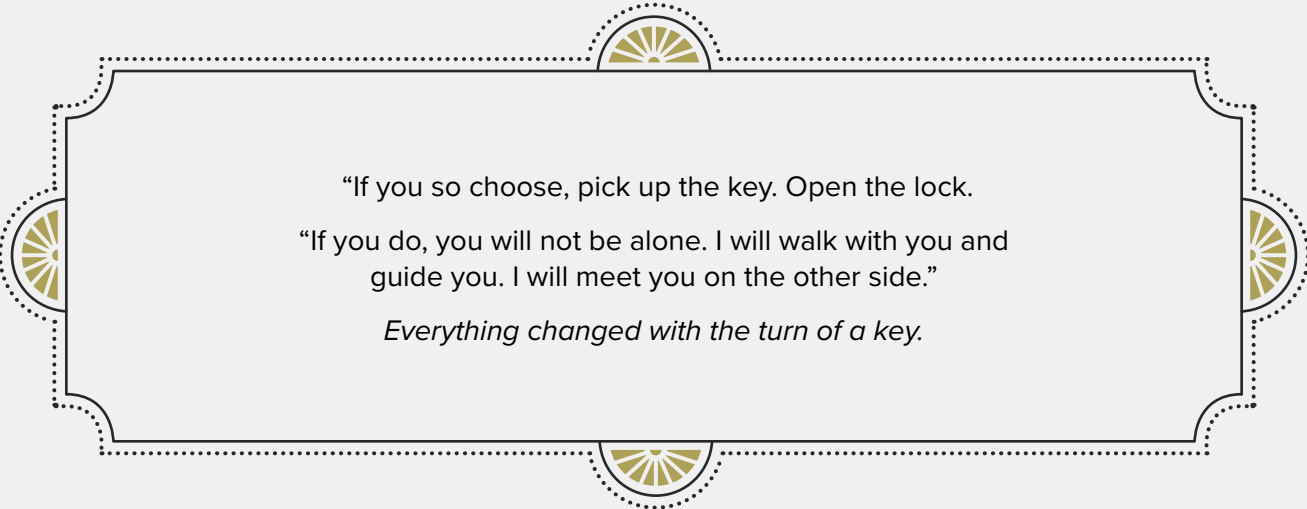
Those who turn this key will never be the same.

It will show your deepest guilt and display your darkest shame.

You'll see who you were made to be and what you've really become.

But only if you turn the key will you find your story isn't done, that the way ahead is the path that leads into the throne room of the Son, this one they call the Death Killer, who gives his life to pay your ransom.



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“If you so choose, pick up the key. Open the lock.
“If you do, you will not be alone. I will walk with you and
guide you. I will meet you on the other side.”
Everything changed with the turn of a key.”

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THE THRONE ROOM KEY

THE DOCTRINE OF GOD





As you turn the key, a door opens into a room made out of the heavens. Above, there is a canopy built out of stars whose light curves down to form the most brilliant floor you've ever seen. In the middle of the room sits a throne holding a figure so bright, he seems to be wearing the sun, or maybe he is the very source of every light ever known.

You desperately want to look away, but you can't. His beauty and glory calms your fears and somehow, at the same time, makes you more afraid. You don't know what to do, where to turn, or how you can stand before him much longer.

But that's when you hear the Key Keeper.

That's when that wise voice—the same one that offered you the key—whispers in your ear and explains . . .



THE THRONE ROOM'S SONG

YOUR STORY BEGINS WITH A SONG



our story begins with a song. It is a simple song. No verse. Just a chorus. But it rings like thunder in your ears. No song in human history has ever come close to its terrifying beauty, because it's like no other song ever written. This one was composed for someone who actually deserves it, one bigger than the world, one different from everyone and everything else you've ever known or could know.

This song is fit only for a king. But not just any king.

This song belongs to the King of kings. The one seated on the throne in front of you. It is for him and him alone. Only the Creator, the Lord and Ruler of all, is worthy of this chorus. It is why he creates angels of fire to sing its majestic words. It is why music exists in the first place. It is why this song echoes throughout this heavenly throne room around you, and it is why everything he created has this song written on their hearts:

*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory! (Isa. 6:3)*

You can hear it now, can't you? The King made everything in the world to sing this song—with their voices and with their lives.

That includes you. He made you to sing his chorus. This is why your story starts here. In his throne room. With his song.

Because every story starts here.

Because every story starts with the King.