



# Sermon Guide Questions

## "An Open Door"

Revelation 3:7-13 (*Philadelphia*)

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Optional Opener:

Have you ever been "locked out"? If so, what was your experience?

Questions:

1. What are the strengths of the people of the church in Philadelphia (vv 8-10)? How is this church able to persevere?
2. Please read Isaiah 60:14. What is the significance of the phrase, "bow down before your feet" (v 9)?
3. What about this church will keep them safe during the "hour of trial that is coming on the whole world" (v 10)?
4. Please read Isaiah 22:20-24. How does Jesus describe himself to the people of the church in Philadelphia (v 8)? Why is this appropriate for the Church?

Practical application:

5. What "open doors" do you believe God has placed before you in your life? How have you "walked through" any of these?
6. What "closed doors" do you believe God has placed in your life? In your family or social life? In your work path? In your schooling? How have you responded to any of these?
7. In what ways can you relate to the Christians in Philadelphia? Or not relate? Why? How is God maybe guiding you right now?