

### Session Three

**What did God say specifically to the Church at Philadelphia, that is important to you and I today?**

Revelation 3:7–13 7 *“Write to the angel of the church in Philadelphia: “The Holy One, the True One, the One who has the key of David, who opens and no one will close, and closes and no one opens says: 8 I know your works. Because you have limited strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name, look, I have placed before you an open door that no one is able to close. 9 Take note! I will make those from the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews and are not, but are lying—note this—I will make them come and bow down at your feet, and they will know that I have loved you. 10 Because you have kept My command to endure, I will also keep you from the hour of testing that is going to come over the whole world to test those who live on the earth. 11 I am coming quickly. Hold on to what you have, so that no one takes your crown. 12 The victor: I will make him a pillar in the sanctuary of My God, and he will never go out again. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God—the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God—and My new name. 13 “Anyone who has an ear should listen to what the Spirit says to the churches.”*

**Just verse one says a whole lot in a little space.**

**Revelation 3:7 *““Write to the angel of the church in Philadelphia: “The Holy One, the True One, the One who has the key of David, who opens and no one will close, and closes and no one opens says:”***

Jesus is called the *Holy One, the True One, and the One who has the key of David*. Jesus is regularly referred to in scripture as One. It is the ultimate term of unique Sovereignty. When It is used, it is teaching us something special and exclusive about Jesus.

1) *The Holy One* - Psalms 89:18 *“Surely our shield belongs to the LORD, our king to the Holy One of Israel.”* Holy One is used 57 times describing Jesus in the Bible.

2) *The True One* - 1 John 5:20 *“And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding so that we may know the true One. We are in the true One—that is, in His Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.”* True One is only used 3 times.

3) *The One who has the Key of David?* Its quoted from...

Isaiah 22:22–25 *“22 I will place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; what he opens, no one can close; what he closes, no one can open. 23 I will drive him, like a peg, into a firm place. He will be a throne of honor for his father’s house. 24 They will hang on him the whole burden of his father’s house: the descendants and the offshoots—all the small vessels, from bowls to every kind of jar. 25 On that day”—the declaration of the LORD of Hosts—“the peg that was driven into a firm place will*

*give way, be cut off, and fall, and the load on it will be destroyed.” Indeed, the LORD has spoken.”*

**Key of David-** passed from Shebna to Eliakim during Hezekiah’s time. Shebna elevated himself, claimed royal privileges, made himself a tomb among the rich. Isaiah 22:15–19 *“15 The Lord GOD of Hosts said: “Go to Shebna, that steward who is in charge of the palace, and say to him: 16 What are you doing here? Who authorized you to carve out a tomb for yourself here, carving your tomb on the height and cutting a crypt for yourself out of rock? 17 Look, you strong man! The LORD is about to shake you violently. He will take hold of you, 18 wind you up into a ball, and sling you into a wide land. There you will die, and there your glorious chariots will be—a disgrace to the house of your lord. 19 I will remove you from your office; you will be ousted from your position.”*

(Rabbit chase, interestingly Jesus did not claim such privileges for Himself, but He was given exactly what Shebna wanted.

Matthew 27:57–61 *“57 When it was evening, a rich man from Arimathea named Joseph came, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus. 58 He approached Pilate and asked for Jesus’ body. Then Pilate ordered that it be released. 59 So Joseph took the body, wrapped it in clean, fine linen, 60 and placed it in his new tomb, which he had cut into the rock. He left after rolling a great stone against the entrance of the tomb. 61 Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were seated there, facing the tomb.”*

In every way Shebna’s authority passing to Eliakim, symbolizes God taking authority from the Jewish authorities during the time of Jesus. The Jewish Pharisees elevated themselves at God’s and the people’s expense during Jesus time. God took the keys of David away from them and Key of David was given to Jesus.

In the same way, Jesus was also given the keys to death and hell.

Revelation 1:17–18 *“17 When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. He laid His right hand on me and said, “Don’t be afraid! I am the First and the Last, 18 and the Living One. I was dead, but look—I am alive forever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and Hades.”*

He has been given the keys of authority to open what has never been opened.

Matthew 24:21–22 *“21 For at that time there will be great tribulation, the kind that hasn’t taken place from the beginning of the world until now and never will again! 22 Unless those days were limited, no one would survive. But those days will be limited because of the elect.”*

4) *...who opens and no one will close, and closes and no one opens...* See Door Chart

**Revelation 3:8** *“I know your works. Because you have limited strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name, look, I have placed before you an open door that no one is able to close.”*

The Church at Philadelphia is not special. We are not singled out, because of our goodness or faithfulness. We are not to be *kept from the hour of trial coming on the whole earth*, because of anything we have accomplished. Rather, it is because we are the weakest generation of all time, and He will take us up because of the massive scale of destruction planned by the New World Order.

1) *I know your works.* – This is our plus. This is what we have done well. We have sent the Word. We have sent missionaries. We have built churches. The Freedom of the U.S. has brought freedom to the entire world. We have built a government based on the Bible. The Republican Government formed at Philadelphia, Pa. U.S.????????? What? Would God be that direct? Why did the founders of Philadelphia call it Philadelphia? Where did it come from? Why did the founding fathers choose to meet at Philadelphia for the Constitutional Convention?

2) *Because you have limited strength.* Where did you get your eggs from? Your milk? How did you buy it? What would happen....???

3) *Have kept My Word.*

Hebrews 4:12 *“For the word of God is living and effective and sharper than any double-edged sword, penetrating as far as the separation of soul and spirit, joints and marrow. It is able to judge the ideas and thoughts of the heart.”*

2 Timothy 3:16–17 *“16 All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, 17 so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”*

Matthew 16:17–18 *“17 And Jesus responded, “Simon son of Jonah, you are blessed because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father in heaven. 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the forces of Hades will not overpower it.”*

4) *Have not denied My Name.*

Philippians 2:9–11 *“9 For this reason God highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow— of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth— 11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”*

5) *Look, I have placed before you an open door...* See Door Chart Again.

Revelation 22:10 *“He also said to me, “Don’t seal the prophetic words of this book, because the time is near.”*

**Revelation 3:9 *“Take note! I will make those from the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews and are not, but are lying—note this—I will make them come and bow down at your feet, and they will know that I have loved you.”***

*“We are grateful to The Washington Post, The New York Times, Time Magazine and other great publications whose directors have attended our meetings and respected their promises of discretion for almost forty years. It would have been impossible for us to develop our plan for the world if we had been subject to the bright lights of publicity during those years. But, the work is now much more sophisticated and prepared to march towards a World Government. The supranational sovereignty of an intellectual elite and world bankers is surely preferable to the national auto-determination practiced in past centuries” [Memoirs] David Rockefeller*

1) *Take note!*

2) *Synagogue of Satan...Jews but are...lying..* See 90% Media Chart  
See Fortune 500 Chart

3) *Note this...*

4) *I will make them....*

1 Corinthians 6:2–3 *“2 Or don’t you know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest cases? 3 Don’t you know that we will judge angels—not to mention ordinary matters?”*