

REVELATION

LETTERS, LAMPSTANDS AND THE LAMB

Revelation 3:7-13



 **ISTANBUL**

MODERN DAY
TURKEY

Aegean Sea

 **PERGAMUM**

 **THYATIRA**

 **SARDIS**

 **PHILADELPHIA**

SMYRNA

 **EPHESUS**

 **LAODICEA**



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“I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

John 14:6

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And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they declared all that God had done with them, and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

Acts 14:27

But I will stay in Ephesus until Pentecost, for a wide door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.

1 Corinthians 16:8-9

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At the same time, pray also for us,
that God may open to us a door for
the word, to declare the mystery of
Christ, on account of which I am in
prison.

Colossians 4:3

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“As the geographic gateway to the East, Philadelphia sat at the crossroads of several languages, cultures, and people groups.

- **Chuck Swindoll**

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From an evangelistic and missionary perspective, this dynamic, diminutive church had great opportunities for ministry.”

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**Are you willing to join Jesus
in the advancement
of His Kingdom?**

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Open Doors in the World:

- 16,000 people groups in the world today
- 7,000 are Unreached (3 Billion people)
- 3,000 are Unreached + Unengaged
- 20-25% of world's population (1.5-2 Billion people) have no gospel access

Open Doors in Charlotte:

- From 2016-2021, the “church” population in CLT declined from 49% to 37%
- 50% of our city are religious “nones” (1.35 Million people)
- We need 40 new churches every year

Open Doors in Your Life:

- Neighbors
- Coworkers
- Friends
- Gym Buddies
- Playdate Group
- Family
- Kids

Excuse #1:

I'm too weak to share the Gospel.

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Answer #1:

Our power comes from Jesus and
His Word

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But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

2 Corinthians 4:7

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Excuse #2:

I'm not in a season where I can share the Gospel.

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Answer #2:

Jesus uses our season for Kingdom purposes.

Although we are weeping, Lord,
help us keep sowing the seeds of
your Kingdom, for the day You will
reap them. Your sheaves we will
carry, Lord, please do not tarry. all
those who sow weeping will go out
with songs of joy.

“Psalm 126” by Isaac Wardell

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