

## **Philadelphia & The Open Door of Opportunity**

### **Revelation 3:7-13**

We now come to the 6<sup>th</sup> of the seven churches in Asia Minor (modern-day western Turkey). Known in antiquity as the “gateway” (or door) to Asia, Philadelphia was a strategic city, established for the spread of Greek culture eastward. The theme of this letter is the “open door” that the Lord Jesus has set before this church, though it has only a “little strength”. But see what the Lord will do with these faithful saints!

#### **:7 – Christ’s introduction to this church**

- Holy
- True
- Sovereign

#### **:8 – the open door of opportunity**

- what does the “open door” mean?
- A look at Romans 10
- “little strength”
- “kept My word”
- “not denied My name”

#### **:9-11 – the “impossible” made possible**

- :9 Jews from the synagogue of Satan
- Overcoming apathy
- :10 perseverance
- :11 Christ is coming quickly

#### **:12 – Fourfold promise**

- Pillar in the temple of MY God
- The name of MY God
- The name of the city of MY God
- MY new name

#### **:13 – He who has an ear...**

### **Application**