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### Revelation 3:7-13

"To the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. I will make those who are of the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews though they are not, but are liars—I will make them come and fall down at your feet and acknowledge that I have loved you. Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come on the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth.

I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown. The one who is victorious I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will they leave it. I will write on them the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on them my new name. Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

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The Door for Effective Ministry (1 Cor. 16:9; 2 Cor. 2:12; Col. 4:3)

God opens doors for a church when she exemplifies the conditions that allow her to move through that door once it has been opened.

μικρός mikros little, or small least (4), less (1), little (13), little ones (6), little while (10), short (1), small (8), smaller (2), smallest (1)

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2. Small in number (1 Cor. 5:6; Gal. 5:9; Luke 12:32)

Jesus makes much from the little that He's given.

STRENGTΗ δύναμις dunamis power, especially achieving power power (77), mighty work (11), miracle (7), might (4), virtue (3), mighty (2), strength (7), and misc. (9)

If a little faith can move mountains, a little strength can vindicate victims!

### Isaiah 49:23

Kings will be your foster fathers, and their queens your nursing mothers. They will bow down before you with their faces to the ground; they will lick the dust at your feet. Then you will know that I am the LORD; those who hope in me will not be disappointed.

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Revelation 19:12 His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself.



