

The Letter to Philadelphia – The Faithful Church Revelation 3:7-13

"Philadelphia" means "brotherly love". Romans 12:10 (NASB) / Hebrews 13:1
Revelation 3:7 These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David.
Colossians 1:13-14 What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open.

The Door to _____ and New Life John 10:9 ASV

The Door to _____ and Purpose 1 Corinthians 16:8-9 / Revelation 3:8 / Matthew 16:18–19

The Results of Faithful Service

1. You will be known as the _____ of Jesus. Revelation 3:9 / Psalms 23:5

2. You will be _____ from the hour of trial Revelation 3:10.
(The Great Tribulation (Rev. 6:1 – 19:10) (The Rapture 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 / Rev. 4)

Patient _____ Revelation 3:10 ...endure patiently.

You Can Endure ANYTHING, When Jesus is Your EVERYTHING

3. No one will take _____ . Revelation 3:11 I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have,

4. Jesus will make you a _____ in the _____ of God. Revelation 3:12
A place of permanency.

5. God and Jesus will _____ their _____ on you as their own. Revelation 3:12-13
Jesus writes his new name on us too! "This one is mine!" Therefore, We Don't Just Survive, We Thrive!

Life App Group and Family Devotional Application

1. What does the word Philadelphia mean and what does that imply to us? How's the love in this life group?
2. Jesus opens doors of opportunity for His followers and to individual churches. What doors of opportunity have you faithfully walked through in the past? What door of opportunity is open for you today and will you walk through it? What doors are you praying God will open for you?
3. What did Jesus mean in Revelation 3:8 when he said the church had "little strength"? Even though they only had a little strength, what two things did they faithfully do? How are we doing with those two things?
4. What does Revelation 3:10 remind us that we all need? Also read Hebrew 10:36. How have you done in this area in past suffering and trials? How are you doing in this area right now?
5. In Revelation 3:12 Jesus said he would make the faithful "a pillar in the temple of God." This sounds strange at first. What does Jesus mean by that and what does that mean for the faithful?
6. Why would God and Jesus write their names on us?
7. This suffering but faithful church was encouraged and reminded of what was yet to come, such as Jesus' return, being spared of the great tribulation, and a place of permanency in the New Jerusalem- Heaven. Does having a sense and awareness of eternity help us be faithful in the nasty here and now? How can we encourage one another to live with a greater sense of eternity?

Answers: Salvation / Opportunity / beloved / spared / Endurance / your – crown / pillar – temple / write – names