

## "Behold, What is Set Before You"

Revelation 3:8-10 September 21, 2025

## **SCRIPTURE PASSAGE:**

Jesus knows your works that you

you." [Rom 16:20 NASB95]

"7 "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: 'The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens. 8 "I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. 9 Behold, I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie--behold, I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you. 10 Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth. 11 I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown. 12 The one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God. Never shall he go out of it, and 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 from my God out of heaven, and my own new name. 13 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'" [Rev 3:7-13 ESV]

## Introduction

1) 2)	have kept His word. have not denied His name. have kept my word about patient endurance. v10
Tŀ	he three "behold" phrases reveal the Christ wins for the overcome
	8 "I know your works. "Behold," I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name. 9 "Behold," I will make those of the synagogue of Satan who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie—"behold," I will make them come and bow down before your feet, and they will learn that I have loved you.
1.	God offers you an opportunity to achieve glory through faith in Christ. "Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. v8
	1) The "open door" means opportunity
1)	to souls.
	"3 "Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever." [Dan 12:3 NASB95]
2)	to a crown of exaltation.
-	"19 For who is our hope or joy or <b>crown of exultation</b> ? Is it not even you, in the presence of our

Lord Jesus at His coming? 20 For you are our glory and joy." [1Th 2:19-20 NASB95]

the opposition of men and fallen angels in rebellion against our God.

"20 The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with

	2) Those who behold the glory of Christ see life with eyes of and they themselves to the authority of Christ Jesus.
2)	in Almighty God in all their works.
3)	only after they emerge from times of prayer in the presence of God.
2.	A present historic issue is foretold revealing an prophecy.  1) A Biblical represents or foreshadows an ultimate reality in an antitype.  ILL. The paschal lambs sacrificed at Passover foreshadowed the Lamb of God.  ILL The bronze serpent in the wilderness represents Christ on the cross.
1)	In Isaiah's of Vision the administration of Shebna is given to Eliakim   # Eliakim is given the keys ( &) to Hezekiah's kingdom.  "22 "Then I will set the key of the house of David on his shoulder, When he opens no one will shut, When he shuts no one will open. 23 "I will drive him [like] a peg in a firm place, And he will become a throne of glory to his father's house. 24 "So they will hang on him all the glory of his father's house, offspring and issue, all the least of vessels, from bowls to all the jars." [Isa 22:22-24 NASB95]
2)	In Christ's present message to the church at Philadelphia  **He will bless their ministry opportunities.  8 "I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.
	"27 When they had arrived and gathered the church together, they [began] to report all things that God had done with them and how He had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles." [Act 14:27 NASB95]
	"3 praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned;" [Col 4:3]
1)	2) The is a future eschatological prophecy. The Valley of Vision foretells Christ's administration from heaven.  * Isaiah foretells the ascended Christ's administration of the Father's from heaven.

\* "18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."" [Mat 28:18-20]

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In Christ's message to the church at Philadelphia The ascended Christ foretells the future				
*		administration of His justice at the great		
-	"9 no	'Behold, I will cause [those] of the synagogue of Satan, who say that they are Jews and are t, but lieI will make them come and bow down at your feet, and [make them] know that I ve loved you." [Rev 3:9 NASB95]		
		At this Judgment the books for people are opened.		
		I will make them come and bow down at your feet		
		<sup>№</sup> "9 For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus <b>EVERY KNEE</b> WILL BOW, of those who are <b>in heaven and on earth and under the earth</b> , 11 and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." [Phl 2:9-11 NASB95]		
		At this judgment the Jews from will be there.		
		and [make them] know that I have loved you."		
		* "11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. 12 And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is [the book] of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds." [Rev 20:11-12 NASB95]		
*		deliverance from the		
	tes	O 'Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of sting, that [hour] which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on e earth." [Rev 3:10 NASB95]		
		The hour of testing is the time of		
		"7 Alas, what a terrible time of trouble it is! There has never been any like it. It is a time of trouble for the descendants of Jacob, but some of them will be rescued out of it." [Jer 30:7 NET]		
		The hour of testing is the fulfillment of the of Daniel.		
		"24 "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy [place.]" [Dan 9:24]		