Session 8 Rev 3:7-13

An Open Door – the Invitation to Communion!

I. Review

A. **It's time to wake up!**

II. Church of Philadelphia

A. Background

1. Brotherly Love - Phileo Adelphos, built by a King Eumenes II of Pergamon for the love of his brother.

III. What does Jesus say to them?

A. Look at me!

1. I am holy - Rev 4-5
   a. He is holy and where He dwells is Holy
2. I am true -
   - True light - Jn 1:9
   - True bread - Jn 6:32
   - Way, Truth, Life - Jn 14:6
   - True vine - Jn 15:1
   - True tabernacle - Heb 9:24
   - Him who is true - 1Jn 5:20
   - Holy & true - Rev 6:10
   - Word are true - Rev 22:6
   - Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice – Jn 18:37
3. I have the Key of David
   a. I open and no one shuts, I shut and no one opens
   b. Keys in the Bible
      (1) Keys of the Kingdom - Mt 16:19
      (2) Keys of death & Hades - Rev 1:18, Key to the bottomless pit - Rev 9, 19
      (3) Key of knowledge - Lk 11:52
      (4) Key of David - Is 22:15-25
         (a) Steward had authority over the treasury of the kingdom
         (b) 2 Pet 1:3 – everything we need for life and godliness

B. I Know

1. Your deeds
2. Behold, I put before you an open door which no one can shut
   a. Because
      (1) You have a little power
      (2) You have kept my word
      (3) You did not denied my Name

3. Behold, I will cause those of the synagogue of Satan to know that I love you
4. Because you kept the word of my perseverence
   a. I will keep (guard) you from the trial that is about to come upon the whole earth.
5. I am coming quickly
   a. Hold fast what you have so that no one will take your crown

IV. An Open Door

A. What door is open that no one can shut?
   a. Evangelism - Col 3 - pray for open doors
2. Opportunities
   a. Jobs, missions, relationships
3. The Holy of Holies – the dwelling place of God
   a. The door opened for us by Jesus
      (1) Heb 10:19-25
   b. The throne of Grace
      (1) Heb 4:16
   c. Invitation to worship
   d. The Temple & the Holy of Holies
      (1) Temple – sacred
      (2) Temple – dwelling place
   e. True Tabernacle in Heaven
      (1) Heb 8:1-2; Eph 1:20; Eph 2:4-7
   f. The Dwelling Place of the Holy Spirit
      (1) I Cor 3:16 – You (pl)
      (2) 1 Cor 6:19 – You (s)
      (3) Rom 8:9-11
   g. John's experience in Revelation
      (1) I was in the Spirit … Rev 1:10
      (2) Come up here... behold a door standing open in heaven Rev 4:1
   h. Joshua the High Priest -Zech 3 – the right of access to those standing here

B. What do we do?
1. Go there
2. What do we bring?
3. What do we do?

V. He who overcomes

A. Overcome by:
1. Holding fast what we have
2. Going through the door regularly, often, daily,

B. I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God

C. He will not go out from there anymore

D. I will write on him
1. The Name of my God
2. The Name of the city of my God
3. My new name