

OUTLINE

1. When shut out, Jesus is the open door.
2. When weak, depend upon the strength of Jesus.
3. When the enemy advances, the love of Jesus is victorious.
4. When the world shakes, Jesus is the firm foundation.

REVIEW

READ Revelation 3:7-13

OBSERVE

1. The church in Philadelphia was facing some problems. What were they? (8, 9, 10, 11)
2. What is Jesus going to do about the problems in Philadelphia? (8, 9, 10, 12)
3. Pay attention to the verb tenses in this letter; how is Jesus going to presently work in the Philadelphian church? How will he work in the future?

INTERPRET

1. In what ways do we still face the problems faced by the church in Philadelphia?
2. What would it look like to look for Jesus to help us the same way he helped the church in Philadelphia?

ASSESS

1. What things in your personal life lead to you being fearful or uncertain about the future?
2. What things in our world lead to you being fearful or uncertain about the future?
3. Are you more likely to start by relying on Jesus's strength, or only rely on his strength when you're not strong enough? What leads you to approaching his strength the way you do?
4. How is your daily life shaped by the love of Jesus?
5. How do you keep your eyes on Jesus when the world appears to be shaking around you?

NOTES

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Weekly Reading Plan

2 Kings 18-19

John 15

John 16

John 17

2 Corinthians 12

MUTUAL MINISTRY

HOW DID YOUR PLAN GO?

APPLY

- 1.If there is a particular personal or global issue causing you anxiety, take time this week to write out a prayer about it to God. Tell him about the issue and why it scares you. Then, read through John 14-17. Write out a praise to Jesus for his promises, and ask him to apply those promises to your anxieties.
- 2.What steps can you take this week to begin proactively relying upon Jesus's strength?
- 3.How can you daily abide in the love of Jesus?
- 4.What truths about Jesus comfort you most and make you boldest? How can you ground your life and perspective in those truths?
- 5.Are there any other steps of obedience God is calling you to from the sermon?

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