



THEME: Hear what the Spirit says to the churches!

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 1:3

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

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TEACHING PASSAGE: Revelation 3:7-13

See the **next page** for any additional resources, including any activities that can be done with young children.

Discussion Questions:

1. How does Jesus describe himself to the church at Philadelphia?
2. In what ways are Jesus holy, true?
3. Read Isaiah 22:22 and Matthew 16:19 what is the importance of having the key of David?
4. Jesus set before this church an "open door" (1Corinthians 16:9, Colossians 4:3) for Evangelism, when you have an open door do you walk through it or do you avoid it?
5. The church at Philadelphia recognized their need for Jesus and held fast to him (verse 8). When you face adversity how do you hold fast to His name?
6. This is the only other church that Jesus did not rebuke, what will they receive because of their faithfulness? (verse 12)

Additional Resources

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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.”

For Children:

Activity: Demonstrate how keys work. Allow your child to test out a few keys on the front door. Talk about how it takes a special key to open the door. Talk about who has a key to your front door. Sometimes we give a key to a trusted neighbor and close relative.

Ask: How did Jesus describe himself in verse 7? What does Jesus have control over that no one else can do or undo?

Ask: What does Jesus say to the church of Philadelphia in verse 8a?

Ask: How does Jesus describe the church in verse 8b and 10a? Why might someone need to have patient endurance? How have you practiced patient endurance?

Ask: What does Jesus say he has done and will do?

Ask: How does it comfort you to know that Jesus holds the keys to the kingdom and no one else can lock you out?

Activity: Draw a temple with enough pillars for each person in your family. Get creative and make the pillars look like each member of your family by adding hair, facial features, and feet. Write on each pillar God, Heaven, and Jesus.

Advanced Activity: Follow this [link](#) to make a salt dough ornament. Use a key to make an impression in the dough. After the ornament is dried, using a sharpie, write on the ornament, “Jesus holds the keys to the kingdom.”



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