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Worship Service  
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## Dear Church: 7 Letters to 7 Churches

*Lesson Ten • Revelation 3:7-13*

### Dear Church in Philadelphia

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Though you have but little power, stay FAITHFUL to Jesus and He will faithfully keep you to the end when He comes again.

#### What Jesus Says to the Faithful Church

### 1. The Faithful Church Recognizes the AUTHORITY of Jesus Christ!

#### *City-Church Context*

Philadelphia was a GATEWAY city to the east that was troubled by earthquakes, and as result people never felt safe and left.

#### *Jesus' Character*

Jesus is the holy One and true One who has the KEY of David, symbolizing His kingdom authority and kingdom access (v. 7).

### 2. The Faithful Church Perseveres in the GOSPEL of Jesus Christ!

#### *Jesus' Commendation*

- I know you have but little power, and yet you have PERSEVERED in keeping My word and not denying My name (v. 8).
- I have set before you an OPEN DOOR to salvation and service which no one is able to shut (v. 8).

#### *Faithfulness Is Key*

We are called to FAITHFULNESS, and then we rely on Jesus to open the door for fruitfulness.

### 3. The Faithful Church Lives by the PROMISES of Jesus Christ!

#### *Jesus' Promise*

- The faithful will be VINDICATED before “those of the synagogue of Satan” (v. 9).
- The faithful will be KEPT “from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world” (v. 10).
- The faithful will be MADE “a pillar in the temple of My God” (v. 12).
- The faithful will be HONORED with the “name” of God, of the city of God, and of Christ (v. 12).

#### **Takeaway: Stay Faithful to Jesus!**

Jesus is coming soon, so stay FAITHFUL to Him to the end when He comes again.

*“I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown.”  
Revelation 3:11*