Revelation 3:7-13 Faithful Servants

A. Faithful servants will follow Jesus' example by walking in holiness

- 1. Walking in holiness is not about reforming outward behavior. It about being transformed inwardly
- 2. Why is that important to understand?

B. Faithful servants are faithful right where Jesus has them

- The city of Philadelphia was established as a gateway to the east
 - a. It was in a way a missionary city for Greek culture
- 2. In the New Testament open doors are doors of opportunity for ministry
 - a. Acts 14:27, 1 Corinthians 16:9, 2 Corinthians 2:12, Colossians 4:3
 - b. In what ways did God provide open doors for the believers in the city of Philadelphia?
- 3. There are 3 areas where we can be faithful right where we are
 - a. Which area do you find it more challenging than the others to be faithful?

C. Faithful servants operate in the power and strength of Jesus, rather than their own

1. What did it mean for these believers to have a little strength?

2. It was said God's commandments are God's

3. When are you more likely to operate in your own strength?

D. Faithful servants are faithful to the word of God

- Faithful to hear the heart of God
- 2. Faithful to learn the word of God
- Faithful to live out the word of God
- 4. Of the 3, which area are you the strongest in and why?

E. Faithful servants are faithful to Jesus no matter the cost

- 1. In what ways might a believer experience the cost of staying faithful to Jesus?
- 2. What areas might be more challenging to you?

F. Faithful servants endure even when life is hard

1. Why is it important to understand that persevering is a command and not a suggestion?

G. What will help us to remain faithful is an understanding of what awaits us

- 1. What is the trial that is to come upon the whole world?
- 2. Why should we care?