

AWAKENING PART 5: OPEN THE DOORS

Who is the Holy Spirit? What is his purpose? So often the discussion about the Holy Spirit comes down to our religious traditions, our fears, or our emotional misconceptions. But the Holy Spirit is God in us...God empowering us...God directing us...God for us in every area of our lives. It is time to awaken to the possibilities that are ready to open!

THE DOORS OF GOD'S POSSIBILITIES

So I will open up your graves and bring you out of them. Then you will know that I am the Lord. You are my people. ¹⁴I will put my Spirit in you. And you will live again. I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I have spoken. I have done it," announces the Lord.' " (EZEKIEL 37:13-14, NIRV)

"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens": ⁸"I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it ... (REVELATION 3:7-8, NKJV).

HINDERANCES:

- Limited Vision
- Fear
- Apathy

But while Peter was in prison, the church prayed very earnestly for him. ⁶The night before Peter was to be placed on trial, he was asleep, fastened with two chains between two soldiers. Others stood guard at the prison gate. ⁷Suddenly, there was a bright light in the cell, and an angel of the Lord stood before Peter. The angel struck him on the side to awaken him and said, "Quick! Get up!" And the chains fell off his wrists (ACTS 12:5-7, NLT).

- Expect The Unexpected!

Then the angel told him, "Get dressed and put on your sandals." And he did. "Now put on your coat and follow me," the angel ordered.⁹ So Peter left the cell, following the angel. But all the time he thought it was a vision. He didn't realize it was actually happening **(ACTS 12:8-9, NLT)**.

- Ask The Holy Spirit to Lead You Out of "Impossible Situations"!

They passed the first and second guard posts and came to the iron gate leading to the city, and this opened for them all by itself. So they passed through and started walking down the street, and then the angel suddenly left him.¹¹ Peter finally came to his senses. "It's really true!" he said. "The Lord has sent his angel and saved me from Herod and from what the Jewish leaders^a had planned to do to me!" **(ACTS 12:10-11, NLT)**

- Ask The Holy Spirit To Destroy the Plans Of The Enemy!

When he realized this, he went to the home of Mary, the mother of John Mark, where many were gathered for prayer.¹³ He knocked at the door in the gate, and a servant girl named Rhoda came to open it.¹⁴ When she recognized Peter's voice, she was so overjoyed that, instead of opening the door, she ran back inside and told everyone, "Peter is standing at the door!"¹⁵ "You're out of your mind!" they said. When she insisted, they decided, "It must be his angel."¹⁶ Meanwhile, Peter continued knocking. When they finally opened the door and saw him, they were amazed **(ACTS 12:12-16, NLT)**.

- What Doors Need To Open In My Life?

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me **(REVELATION 3:20, NKJV)**.