



# COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week of 9/14/25

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## Opener (10 minutes or less)

What's a random historical fact you know that fascinates you?

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## DISCUSSION (50 minutes or less)

*Begin your discussion time in prayer.*

**Scripture Reading: Revelation 3:7-13**

Questions:

1. Why is "patient endurance" such a key virtue for a faithful church? What are some modern-day examples of patiently enduring for the sake of the gospel?
  2. Jesus promises that those of the "synagogue of Satan" who have slandered the church will one day "come and bow down before your feet." How does this promise of ultimate vindication change our perspective on persecution?
  3. What does it mean to "hold fast" to one's faith in the waiting period before Christ's return?
  4. Jesus says, "I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut." What do you think this "open door" represents, and how does it relate to the church's faithfulness?
  5. The one who conquers is promised to be made a "pillar in the temple of my God." What is the significance of being made a permanent, foundational part of God's eternal dwelling place? How does this promise address the temporary nature of earthly existence and trials?
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## PERSONAL (30 minutes or less)

1. Oikos - the 8 to 15 people God supernaturally and strategically places in your life. Any oikos moments you would like to share..
2. What is going on in your life (note prayer requests and praise reports)
3. Pray

### **Revelation 3:7-13**

**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.’