This Prophecy is SPECIAL for the OVERCOMER NOW.

**Text:**

**Rev. 3:8** I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

**Context:**

**Rev. 1:9-11** IJohn, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

**Rev. 1:20** The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

**Rev. 3:7-13** And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

**Rev. 12:10** And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

1. The charge was to the Apostle to write to the seven stars which are the angels of the seven churches;
2. The Address:
3. “To the Angel of the church in Philadelphia write”

This letter is addressed to the minister of the Church in Philadelphia.

1. “Angel”

aggelov aggelos, ang'-el-os

(to bring tidings); a messenger; especially an "angel"; by implication, a pastor:

The letters were sent to the ministry to give to the church.

1. The Revelation of the Character of Christ
   1. “These things saith he that is holy, he that is true”
      1. It is necessary that the church in Philadelphia knows that He is Holy
         1. That we might be Holy as He is Holy.

Lev. 20:7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy: for I am the LORD your God.

1Peter 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

Heb 12:10 For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be **partakers of his holiness**.

2Peter 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be **partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

* + 1. It is necessary that the church in Philadelphia knows that He is True.
       1. “That we may know Him that is True and we are in Him who is True”

1John 5:20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

## “he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;”

## “I know”

The Lord—(I Am, I have I Know I can, I Will)

I know thy works

1. Work of Faith with **Power**

**1411. dunamiv dunamis, doo'-nam-is**

**force specially, miraculous power (ability, abundance, meaning, might(-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle(-s), strength, violence, mighty (wonderful) work.**

2Thess. 1:11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the **work of faith with power**:

“Behold I have”

**Rev. 12:10** And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

**Power**

1849. exousia exousia, ex-oo-see'-ah

(in the sense of ability); privilege, force, capacity, competency, freedom, mastery, magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control, delegated influence:--authority, jurisdiction, liberty, right, strength.

I have set before thee an open door

no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength

hast kept my word

hast not denied my name.

Nahum 3:6 And I will cast abominable filth upon thee, and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

2Peter 1:20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

Rev. 1:3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

22:7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.