

**Series "Guest Speaker"**  
**"The Open Door"**  
**Revelation 4:1-11**  
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**The Key Word: Open**

**The Thought Of The Passage: Jesus has opened a door for great and effective ministry, but we need to walk through it.**

**The Breakdown:**

- 1. Verse 1        Doors Of Opportunity**
- 2. Verses 2-8    Obedient To The Spirit**
- 3. Verses 9-11   The Worthy One**

**1. Verse 1 Doors Of Opportunity**

**Revelation 4:1a**  
**After these things...**

**"Meta Tauta" = "After These Things,"**

**I looked...**

**Revelation 3:7 (NKJV) "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"**

**1 Corinthians 16:9 (NKJV) For a great and effective door has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.**

**"Great and Effective"**

**"Great" = "Megas" = "Mighty"**

**"Effective" = "Energēs" = "Energetic" = "Active"**

**He opens the door of hope...**

**Hosea 2:15 (NKJV) I will give her her vineyards from there, And the Valley of Achor as a door of hope; She shall sing there, As in the days of her youth, As in the day when she came up from the land of Egypt.**

**And a door of faith...**

**Acts 14:27 (NKJV) Now when they had come and gathered the church together, they reported all that God had done with them, and that He had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.**

**And a door to speak...**

**Colossians 4:3 (NKJV) meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the word, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains...**

**Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.**

**Revelation 4:1b  
Come up here...**

**1 Thessalonians 4:16-17**

## **2. Verses 2-8 Obedient To The Spirit**

**Revelation 4:2-3  
Immediately I was in the Spirit...**

**Hebrews 6:20 (NKJV) where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.**

**Like an emerald...**

**Revelation 4:4  
Were twenty-four thrones...**

**1 Corinthians 3:11-15**

**Revelation 4:5  
And from the throne...**

**Proceeded lightnings, thunderings, and voices...**

**Exodus 19:16-19**

**Exodus 20:18-19 (NKJV) 18 Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw it, they trembled and stood afar off. 19 Then they said to Moses, "You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die."**

**Hebrews 4:16 (NKJV) Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

**Seven lamps of fire...**

**Isaiah 11:2 (NKJV) The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.**

**Revelation 4:6-8**

**There was a sea of glass...**

**Ephesians 5:25–26 (NKJV) 25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word...**

**2 Timothy 3:16–17 (NKJV) 16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.**

**Were four living creatures...**

**1 Corinthians 14:15 (NKJV) What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding.**

**Psalms 47:7 (NKJV) For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding.**

**Proverbs 4:7 (NKJV) Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.**

**The first face the Lion...**

**Matthew 27:11 (NKJV) Now Jesus stood before the governor. And the governor asked Him, saying, "Are You the King of the Jews?" Jesus said to him, "It is as you say."**

**The second face the Ox...**

**Mark 10:45 (NKJV) For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."**

**The third face the Man...**

**Hebrews 4:15 (NKJV) For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.**

**The fourth face the Eagle...**

**John 1:1 (NKJV) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

**The four living creatures...**

- 1. He is Holy**
- 2. He is Almighty**
- 3. He is eternal**

### **3. Verses 9-11 The Worthy One...**

**Revelation 4:9-11**

**Whenever the living creatures give...**

**"There is a throne in heaven that no one can occupy but you, and there is a crown in heaven that no other head can wear but yours, and there is a part in the eternal song that no voice can ever compass but yours, and there is a glory to God that would be wanting if you did not come to render it, and there is a part of infinite majesty and glory that would never be reflected unless you should be there to reflect it!" -Charles Spurgeon**

**You are worthy...**

**"Worship" = "Proskuneo" = "to turn and kiss"**

#### **Application:**

- 1. God has opened up doors for us that no one can shut, but we have to make the decision to walk through that door.**
- 2. God has opened up doors, and if we are obedient, He will show us things, we would never have known.**
- 3. God has opened the doors so that we can worship the Lord and be pleasing in His sight.**