



Encouragement 1: The Person of Jesus



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- John 10:9



“At the center of the church is Jesus. It’s all about Jesus. And when Jesus is known, when Jesus is loved when Jesus is proclaimed, a church happens. A church is a people who are captivated by, in love with and committed to, saved by Jesus.”

Mark Driscoll

Encouragement 2: Potential Through Jesus



Potential Through Jesus

“I do not want to see you now and make only a passing visit; I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. But I will stay on at Ephesus until Pentecost, because a great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me”

1 Corinthians 16:7-9



Potential Through Jesus

“Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.”

Colossians 4:2-4



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- Stop waiting for a door to open so that you can move, be faithful to the Lord now and then God will open doors.
- When we are faithful God is faithful and opens doors for opportunity mission
- What are the doors God has opened to us as a church? What opportunities are presenting themselves?
- If I want God to enlarge my boundaries, our boundaries as a church we need to be faithful
- A closed door means the opportunity has passed. Do not let the opportunity pass.

Encouragement 3: Protection from Jesus



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2. God's love for His Church is greater than the opposition the Church will face



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What matters supremely, therefore, is not, in the last analysis, the fact that I know God, but the larger fact which underlies it—the fact that *he knows me*. I am graven on the palms of his hands [Isa 49:16]. I am never out of his mind. All my knowledge of him depends on his sustained initiative in knowing me. I know him because he first knew me, and continues to know me. He knows me as a friend, one who loves me; and there is no moment when his eye is off me, or his attention distracted from me, and no moment, therefore, when his care falters. *J.I. Packer*

Encouragement 4: Promises from Jesus



Promises from Jesus

1. A Crown



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1. A Crown
2. A Pillar



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3. A New Name



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