



**Title** | Little Guy, Big Deal  
**Series** | Good to Go  
**Text** | Revelation 3:7-13  
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# Sermon Notes

Revelation 3:7 “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.’” ESV

## Big Idea:

Revelation 3:8 “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.” ESV

## For Reflection and Application:

### Monday:

The church in Philadelphia was the youngest and likely the smallest of the seven churches addressed in Revelation. Read Revelation 3:7-13. From verse 8, what can be said about the church in Philadelphia? Was the church big in the eyes of the world? Was the church big in the eyes of God? Why or why not? What does this suggest about what God does and does not value?

### Tuesday:

Read 1 Corinthians 1:26-29. How does this relate to the ancient church in Philadelphia as described in Revelation 3:7-13? How does it relate to you?

### Wednesday

Read 1 Samuel 16:7. How does this relate to the ancient church in Philadelphia as described in Revelation 3:7-13? How does it relate to you?

### Thursday:

From Revelation 3:7-13, catalog all the things Jesus says he will do for the Philadelphians. How would these things have been an encouragement to them? To what extent does this encourage you?

### Friday:

Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-4. How does this relate to the ancient church in Philadelphia as described in Revelation 3:7-13? How does it relate to you?

### Daily Prayer:

Lord, thank you that being big in your eyes does not require achievement or results or success, only faithfulness. Amen.

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