

Don't Miss Your Open Door

Mark 1:27 says, "They were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, "What is this? What new teaching is this? With authority He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey Him."

If you have done any airline travel, you know that the gate is open long before the door to your airplane is open. Actually the airplane door is only open for about 15 minutes, just long enough for the waiting passengers to board the plane and get seated. Once the airline door is shut, there is no more getting on the airplane and if you miss your plane, you have to wait for the next available plane.

This analogy depicts a similar reality for us as believers. Doors of opportunity open to us, but if we don't enter when the door is open, that door will shut and we will need to wait for the next door to open. As I was meditating on this thought this morning, I heard in my spirit, "Don't miss the door." It was repeating over and over again in my spirit: "Don't miss the door." The door, when it opens, has to be walked through, or you will have to wait for the next door to open.

If you are one that has come through the wilderness, feel like you are in or have gone through the Jordan, but have not seen or heard the open door as of yet, it can be easier to miss the open door, for you have gotten so used to waiting. Waiting has stages just like anything else. When we first start waiting, we are checking in to see when our door is going to open, we are anxious, ready to go now, and for many we are in a hurry. As the waiting goes on, we start to get irritated, our attitude goes south, we blame someone or something for the delay and we try to force the door open. Then we come to the stage where we are just exhausted from waiting and resolve we have no control over how long this will take and we sit quietly and wait and wait and wait.

I hear in my spirit: "Don't miss the door." You may have been waiting a long time, so long you have gotten complacent in waiting, thinking it may never open and have convinced yourself that is OK, and you may even believe this is contentment. But I hear the Spirit of God saying, "Don't miss the door." The wait has been long, the journey has been tiring, and we are with you. Don't miss the door.

When the people of Jesus' day saw that He could cast out unclean spirits and teach with authority, they debated among themselves, what did they debate about? The Scripture doesn't say, but my thought is they debated if this was the long awaited Messiah. If we are not careful, we can debate ourselves out of going through the door. Jesus was right there and many missed the door, because they had waited so long and were busy debating whether this was the door. We do the same thing.

We have heard the prophecies, we know the promises God has spoken over us, but remember, it may come in a mustard seed form, so all I can share is what I hear, don't miss the door.

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