



MATTHEW 6

The Lilies of The Valley

Closed Doors and YHVH's Blessings:-

We experience times in our life where you have been on a road for quite some time and suddenly find yourself desperately lost or comes to a standstill.

Then you cry out, ``O my God, where are you? Is it all over for me? Please I beg of You to Open one door for me. Give me one opportunity and show me You care. I need You YHVH, please help me! Where to from here?

Do not be surprised; you should know for sure that it is YHVH who opens and closes doors in your life. ``What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open" Revelation 2:7

Immediately when you are desperate and reading that verse you will recognize the shut door and cry out "Oh no! Not a close door please".

I want you to imagine this. A child that is scared of the dark and crying at the parents locked door for comfort and security. When such child is not seen to, they go into a panic of fear.

This is the exact same experience of an adult when they reach that closed door.

God sometimes closes doors so that you can change directions just the same with that dead end in the road or the T junction you reach. It means it is time to change direction.

Many times you keep on doing what you do all your life. But YHVH might certainly have better things in store for you. Since you are comfortable doing what you are now doing and good at it; you will never think about changing directions at all. You will never even give it a passing thought why YHVH closed the door.

To get your attention, YHVH will close door when it is time to move on or change direction. But this is also not the only time a door is closed, but we will discuss this later.

It is only when you are obedient in YHVH's voice and allow Him to do His will in your life that His plan can be revealed to you. For example, in the life of Elijah, YHVH provided him with bread and meat through ravens. And He provided him with water from the brook. But then some time later the brook dried up. That was a door that closed on him.

Now YHVH had his attention. A new command then came to him to go at once to Zarephath where YHVH had commanded a widow to provide for him. [That was a new direction in his life.] But he was made ready to listen and obey because of a closed door in his life (1 Kings 17:2--9).

Again, the most important thing was that YHVH had closed a door and opened another door for him.

So closed doors in your life are the way that YHVH shows you He requires your attention. Thank YHVH for them. He is pointing you to a new direction in life.

Whenever a Door closes, YHVH wants you to be observant on His calling. The doors that close on you might also be because there are things YHVH wants to get your attention on. This could be because you have neglected to take care of what you had and when you neglect something it will be taken away from you.

Then there are the times that YHVH kept the door close because the time was not right and we should learn to thank Him at all times. He often closes doors so that you will wait for His right time. He does it to prepare circumstances. He prepares them in such a fashion that it will be to your best advantage when His time comes.

If you act before His time it will be like plucking an unripe fruit. He knows when it is going to be ripe and ready to be eaten. He closes doors so that you will not pluck the unripe fruit. He will open them only when it is ripe. Then it will be to your best advantage.

When you stand behind that close door, it is time to pray. God closes doors so that you can learn to pray more.

Doors are sometimes closed through disobedience. This door can only be opened through obedience.

All the waiting, all the hardships and all the misunderstanding and ridicule that you are facing now is building muscles of steely-faith in your mind. You are being molded and shaped by YHVH to meet your glorious destiny.

The more tough your closed door; the greater the exaltation God has planned for you.

You can know this lesson from Joseph's life itself: ``And he sent a man before them ,Joseph sold as a slave. They bruised his feet with shackles, his neck was put in irons, till what he foretold came to pass, till the word of YHVH proved him true. The king sent and released him, the ruler of the peoples set him free. He made him master of his household, ruler over all he possessed, to instruct his princes as he pleased and teach his elders wisdom" (Psalm 105:17--22 NIV).

The dream of greatness was YHVH's promise to Joseph. And He prepared him behind closed doors to give him the exaltation that was promised earlier.

So closed doors guard YHVH's preparation ground to make you ready for the greatness that He has kept in store for you!

Be blessed and stay blessed 🌷