

Opening the Doors of Mercy

Week 4 – Closing the Door

There is a time to open and a time to close the door. Sometimes closing the door is the right choice to make because it frees us to enter a fresh dimension of growth.

How do the following reflections on “Closing the Door” challenge you to growth...

“Whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to God who is in secret and God who sees in secret will reward you.”

Mat 6:6

“When you get into your car, shut the door and be there for just half a minute. Breathe, feel the energy inside your body, look around at the sky, the trees. The mind might tell you, ‘I don't have time.’ But that's the mind talking to you. Even the busiest person has time for 30 seconds of space.”

Eckhart Tolle

“Close some doors. Not because of pride, incapacity or arrogance, but simply because they no longer lead somewhere.”

Paulo Coelho

Closing Doors

I choose to close the door today,
On hate,
And violence,
On deliberate “misunderstandings”
And on a closed mind.
These things tempt me at times
To retreat
Into an enclosed fortress
Where I am right
And others are excluded.
So I close one door
In order to open another...
Yet I wonder
Do I have the right
To close any doors at all.

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