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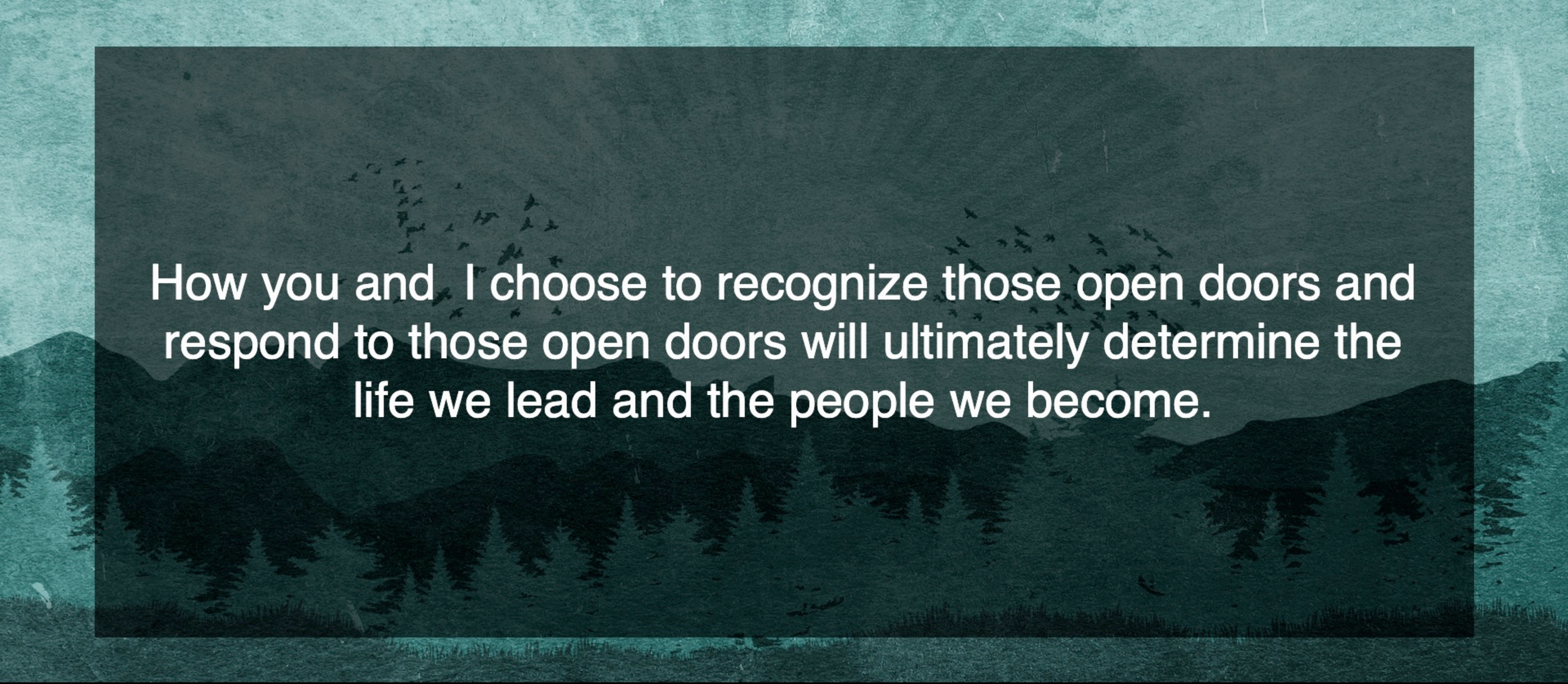
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## Revelation 3:7-8

To the angel at the church in Philadelphia write: These are the words of Him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. "What He opens no one can shut, and what He shuts, no one can open. I know your deeds.

## Revelation 3:7-8

See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept My word and have not denied My name.”



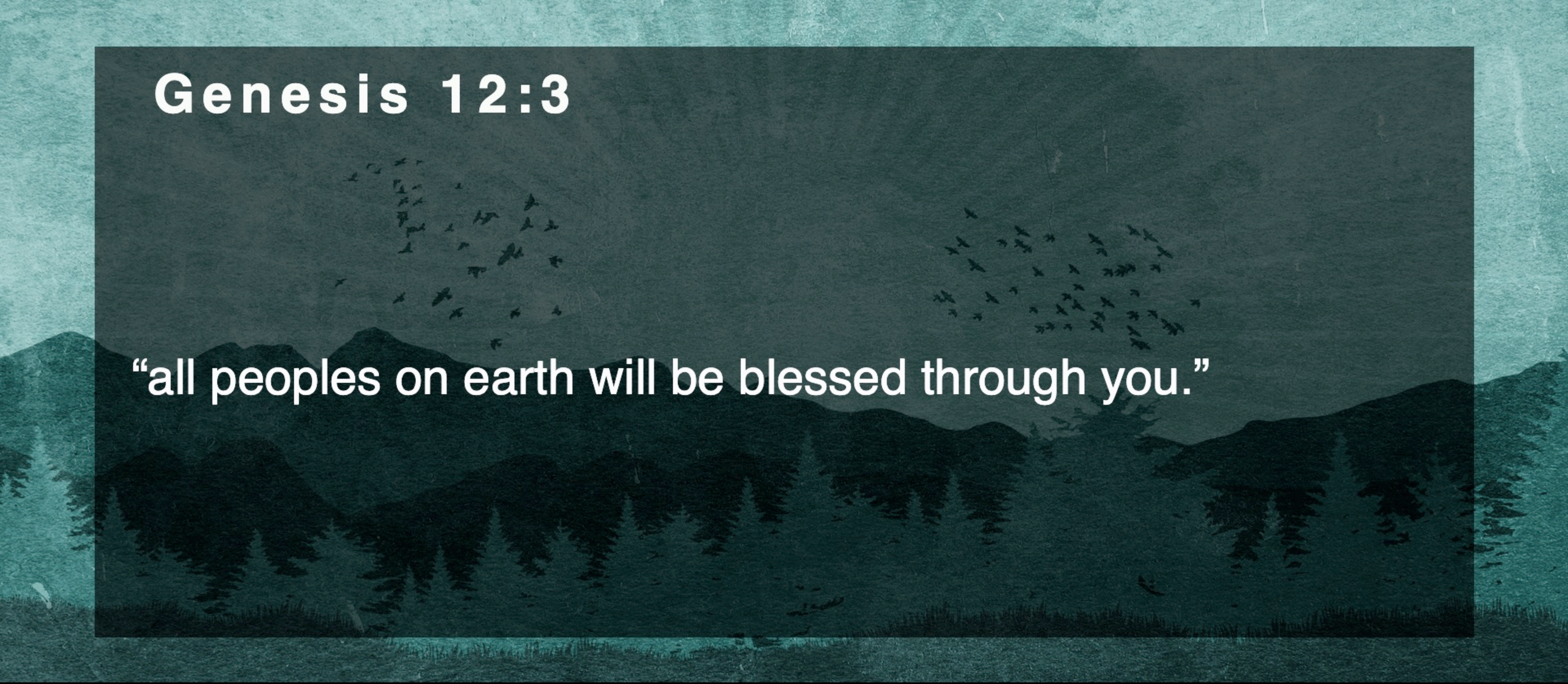
How you and I choose to recognize those open doors and respond to those open doors will ultimately determine the life we lead and the people we become.

The background is a dark, teal-toned landscape painting. It features a range of mountains in the distance, with a dense forest of evergreen trees in the foreground. A large flock of birds is flying across the sky, scattered across the upper half of the image. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

The first observation is that God is the God of the open door.

# Genesis 12:3

“all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”



# Genesis 18:18

“Abraham will surely become a great and powerful nation,  
and all nations on earth will be blessed through him”



# Genesis 22:18

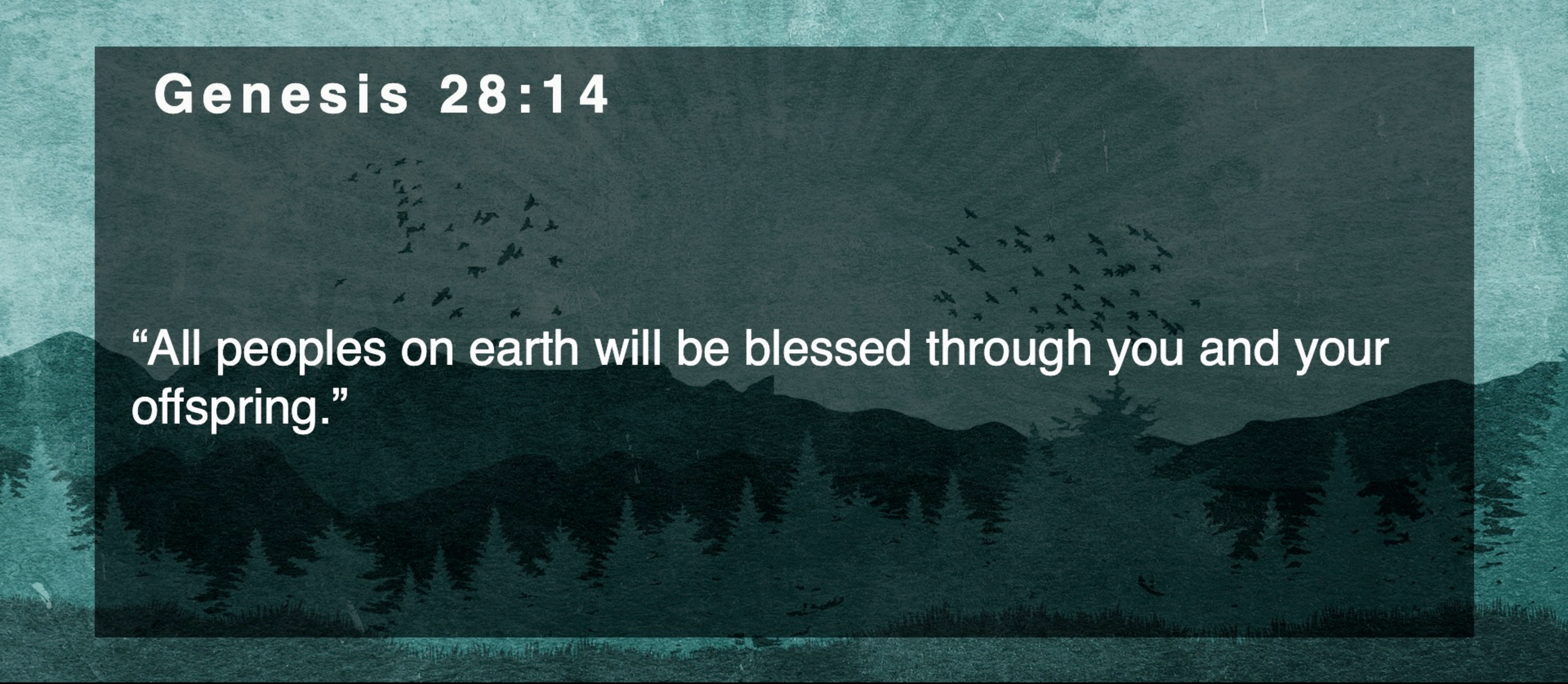
“... and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you obeyed Me.”

## Genesis 26:4

“I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because Abraham obeyed Me.”

# Genesis 28:14

“All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring.”



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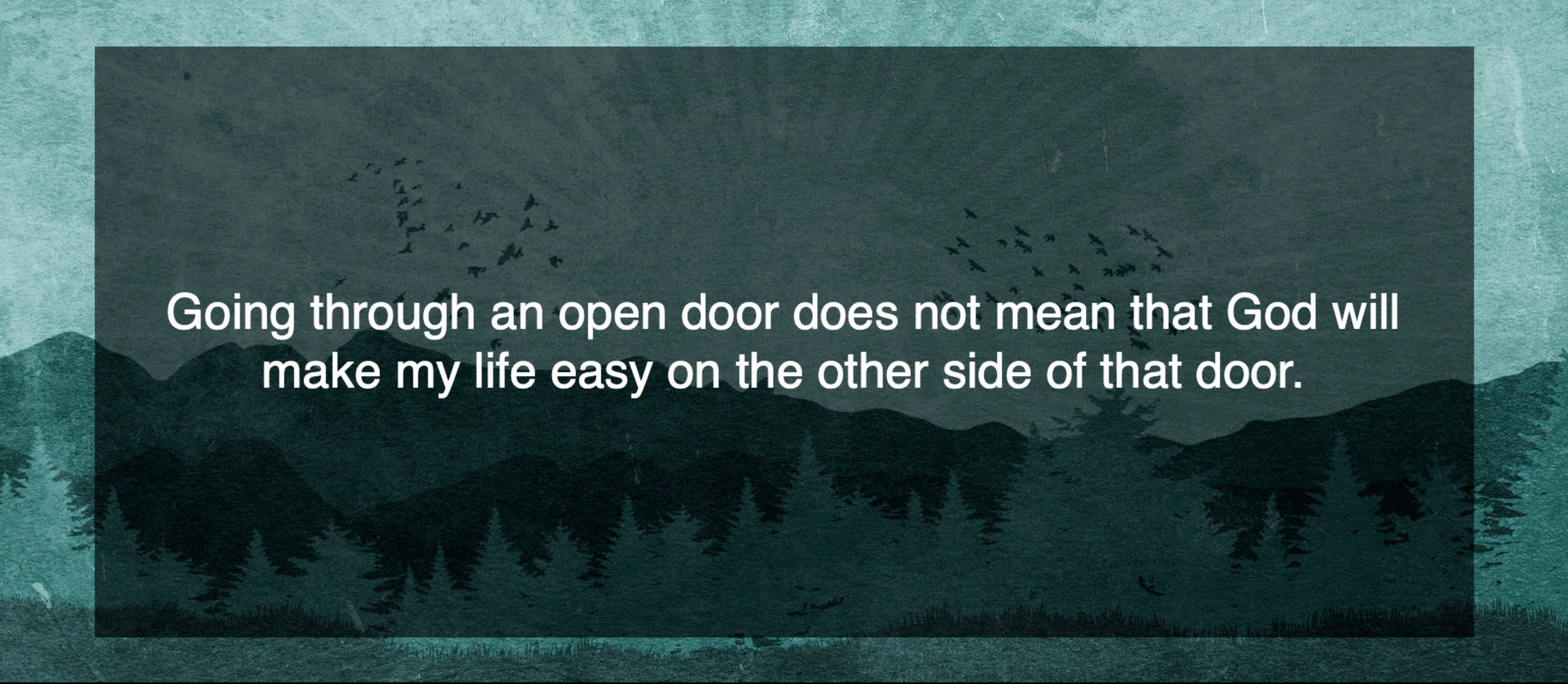
Open Doors start where you are  
not where you think you ought to be



Open Doors are about opportunities not guarantees.

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God is more interested in the person I become than He is  
the door He wants me to walk through.

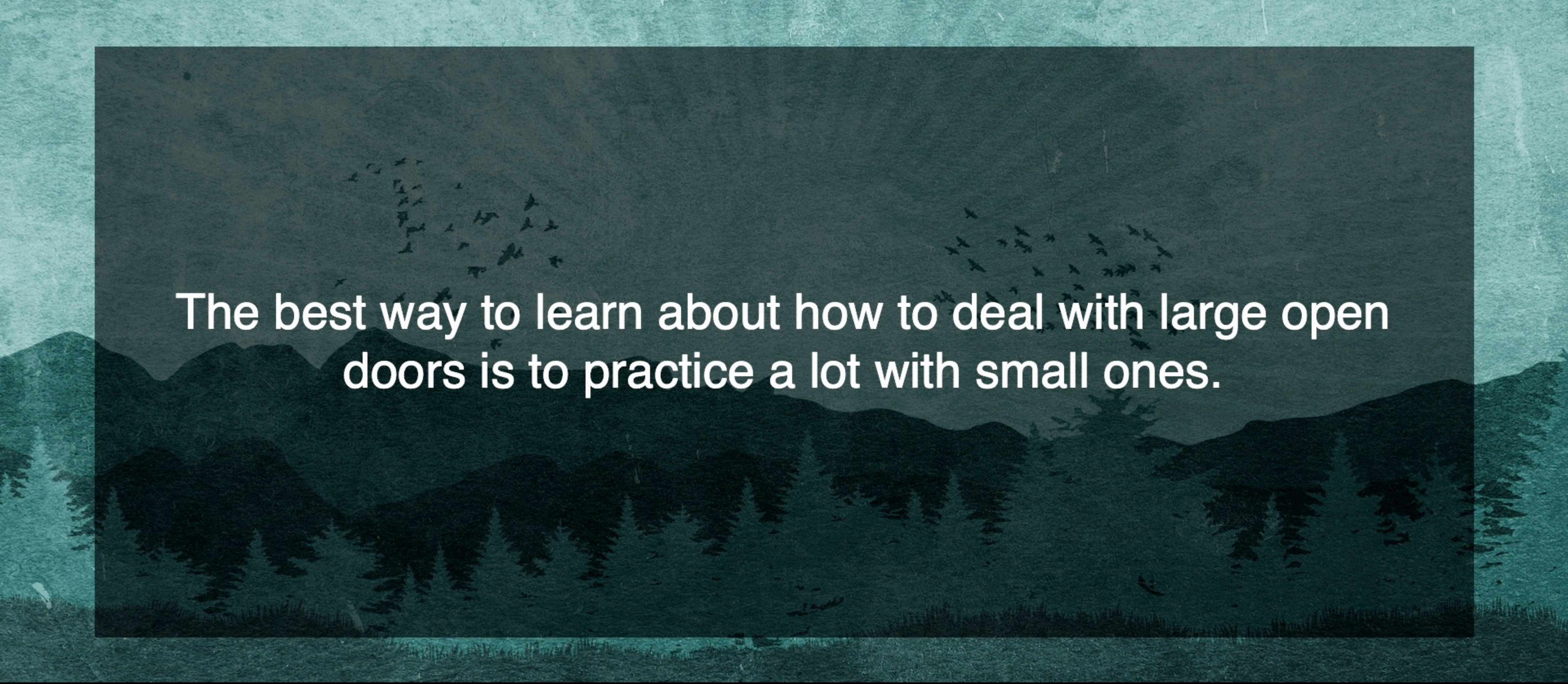
A dark, teal-toned landscape with mountains, trees, and birds flying in the sky. The scene is rendered in a painterly style with a monochromatic color palette. The mountains are silhouetted against a slightly lighter teal sky, and the foreground is filled with dark, dense evergreen trees. Numerous small birds are scattered across the sky, some in flight and others resting on the ground. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Going through an open door does not mean that God will  
make my life easy on the other side of that door.

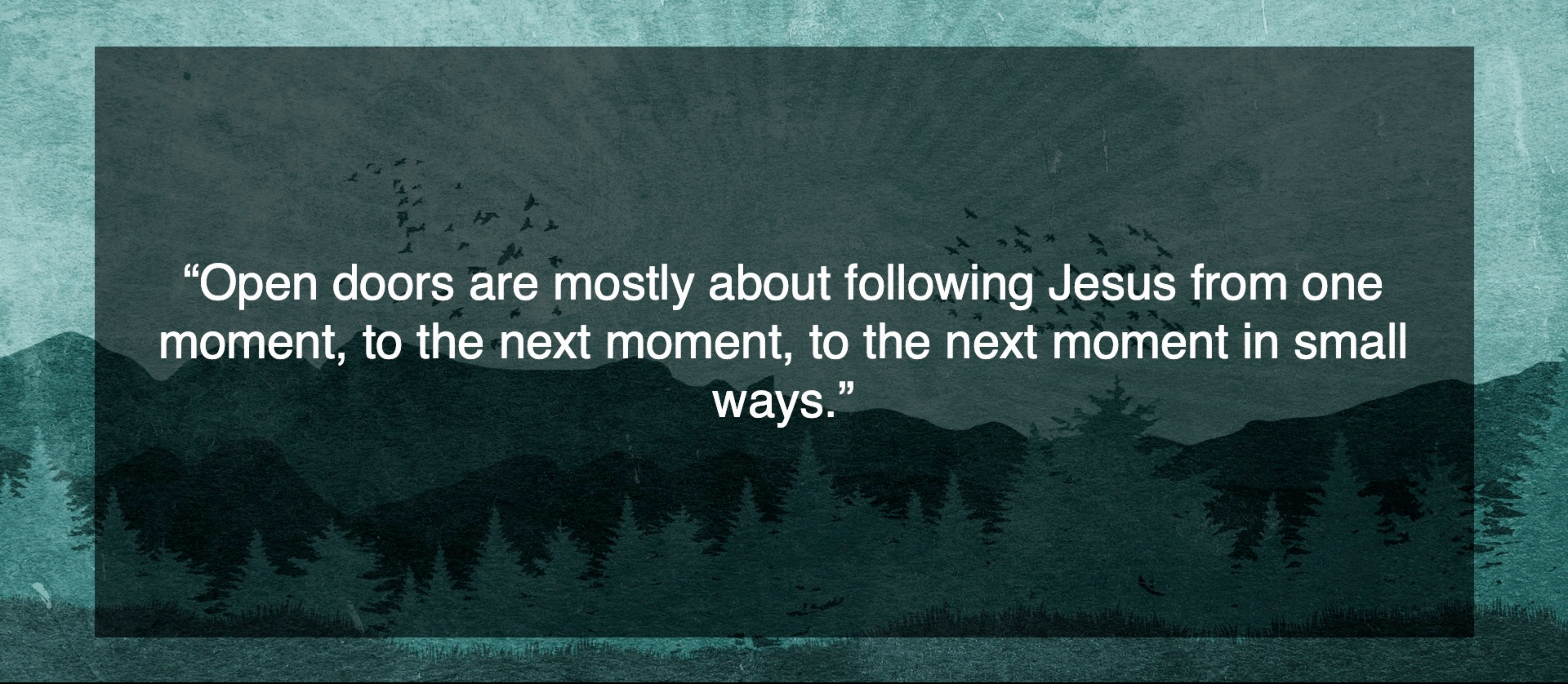
# 1 Corinthians 16:9

“A wide door for effective work has been opened to me, but there are many adversaries.”

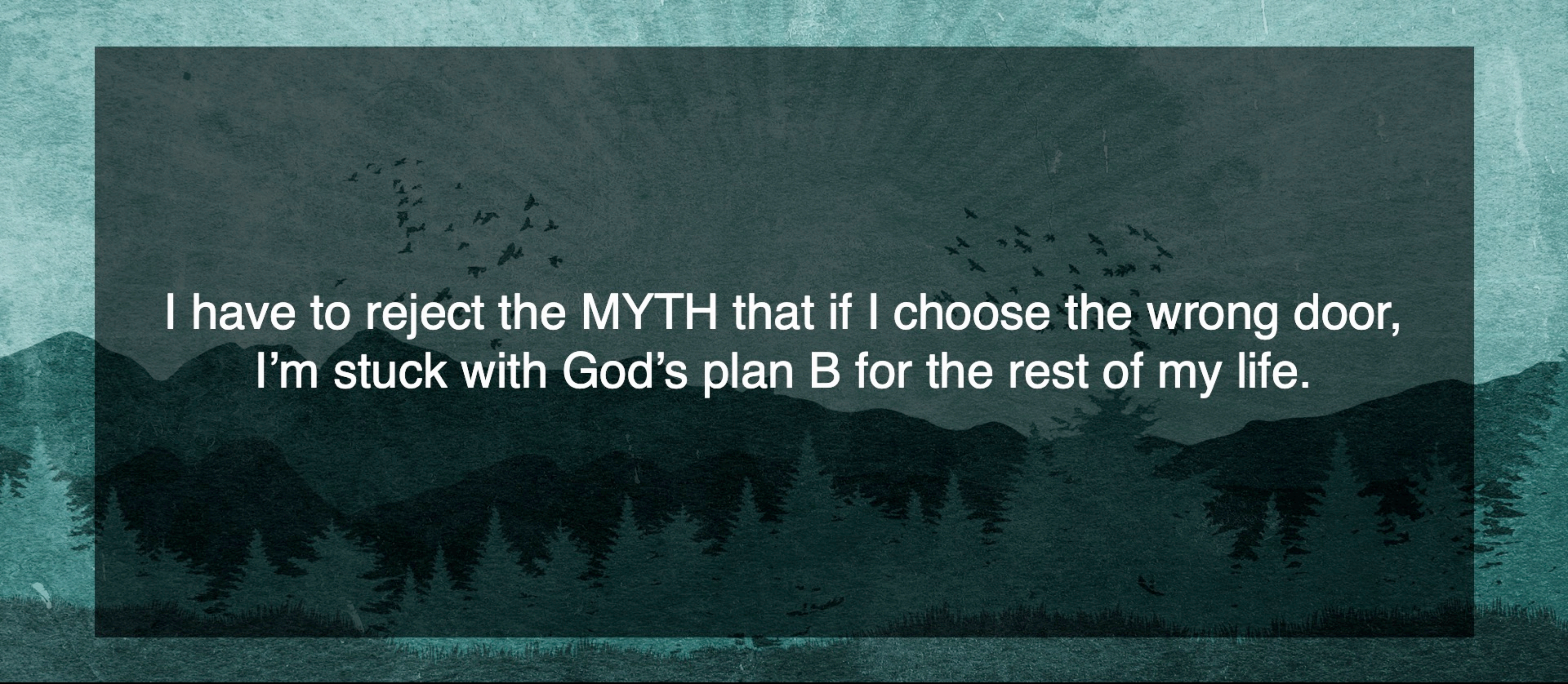




The best way to learn about how to deal with large open doors is to practice a lot with small ones.



“Open doors are mostly about following Jesus from one moment, to the next moment, to the next moment in small ways.”

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I have to reject the MYTH that if I choose the wrong door,  
I'm stuck with God's plan B for the rest of my life.







## Revelation 3:20

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door; I will come in to him and eat with him , and he with Me.”

