

Paul had been called by God to preach, so he expected God to give him opportunities for evangelism. Paul called each of those opportunities “an open door”. As soon as he saw such a door opening, he went through it in full faith that it was God who was giving him an opportunity to preach.

On one occasion, Paul and his companions were preaching in Asia Minor. When they started off in a new direction, they were prevented. (Acts 16:6-10) When Paul had a vision during his sleep of a man in Macedonia calling him to preach, he changed plans, and the Gospel made its first entrance into Europe. Paul wasn't frustrated about God closing one door, because he expected another door to open, and it did. Even when Paul was under house arrest in Rome for two years, he preached and taught about Christ (Acts 28:30-31), winning many in Caesar's household to Christ. (Acts 28:23-24; Philippians 4:22)

Would you like God to use you to spread the Gospel? Then pray for open doors, and be ready to go through them.

Colossians 4:3 “Meanwhile praying also for us, that God would open to us a door for the Word, to speak the Mystery of Christ, for which I am also in chains.”