



WHO WAS Eugene Allen:

Jesus is the Door.

John 10:9 — We enter life through Him, not through effort, ambition, talent, or performance.

Jesus holds the keys.

Revelation 3:7–8 — He opens doors no man can shut.

Serving positions us.

Nehemiah 1:11 and 2:1–8 — Nehemiah was serving as cupbearer when the door opened.

Ambition pushes. Serving prepares.

Ambition tries to get noticed. Faithful service becomes noticeable over time.

Serve the cup in your hand. Trust God with the door ahead.

3 Things to Pray About

1. “Lord, help me serve well where I am.”

Not where I wish I was.

Not where I think I deserve to be.

Not only when people notice.

Prayer:

“Lord, help me be faithful with the cup in my hand. Teach me to serve with joy, consistency, and humility, even when the assignment feels small.”

Practical conversation starter:

“What is one place in your life right now where GOD may be asking you to simply serve well?” (*explain*)

2. “Lord, purify my ambition.”

Ambition is not always evil, but it can become pushy, frustrated, jealous, or self-promoting.

Prayer:

“Lord, take the striving out of me. Help me stop trying to force doors open. Let my ambition become surrender, and let my desire for opportunity become faithfulness in assignment.”

Practical conversation starter:

“Where do you feel tempted to push, prove, or promote yourself instead of trusting GOD’s timing?”

3. “Lord, open the right door at the right time.”

Jesus is the Door. He also holds the keys. So we do not have to panic when a door is closed, and we do not have to force one open.

Prayer:

“Lord, open what You want opened, close what You want closed, and prepare me before You promote me. When the door opens, let me walk through it with the same humility I had while I was serving.”

Practical conversation starter:

“What door are you asking GOD to open — and what might He be preparing in you before He opens it?”