

## THE OPEN DOOR by 193

I stood at the edge of a vast, tranquil lake, staring in disbelief at a single door standing upright in the middle of the water. Its purpose and meaning eluded me, and yet, I couldn't tear my eyes away.

As I pondered this strange sight, a small boat drifted into view. Without understanding why, tears began to stream down my face. Something stirred deep within me, as if the Spirit of God was drawing me. I stepped into the boat, and it began moving toward the door as if guided by an unseen hand.

The journey across the lake began peacefully, but soon a fierce storm arose. The calm waters churned into towering waves, and the sky darkened with anger. Lightning flashed, illuminating the chaos, while thunder roared like a lion. The boat tossed violently, and fear gripped my heart. I clung desperately to the sides, certain I would be thrown overboard and drown.

Finally, the boat reached the door, which stood on a small patch of land in the middle of the stormy waters. Soaking wet and trembling, I stepped out of the boat and approached the door. Rain poured down, and the wind howled around me, yet the door stood firm, radiating a warm, inviting light.

I reached out, turned the handle, and opened the door. To my astonishment, there stood Christ Yeshua, His arms open wide, His face shining with love and peace.

“Come,” He said gently, and I stepped through.

In an instant, the storm faded away, replaced by a serene, sunlit meadow. Fruit trees swayed in a gentle breeze, and a sparkling stream meandered peacefully nearby. The air was alive with the fragrance of life and renewal.

As I walked with Christ through the meadow, He turned to me and said, “Even in the midst of the fiercest storms, I have been with you. I have never left your side. I AM the Sheep Gate. I AM the Way, the Truth, and the Life. I AM the True Vine and the Bread of Life. I AM the Good Shepherd, the Light of the World, the Resurrection and the Life. I AM the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last. I AM KING OF kings AND LORD OF lords, and I am coming back soon in all My glory.”

Tears of gratitude filled my eyes as He spoke, and I felt a peace unlike anything I had ever known. John 14:27 Peace

Then His words echoed in my heart:

*"Behold, I am coming soon, and My reward is with Me, to give to each according to his deeds. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."*

(Revelation 22:12-13)

And in that moment, I understood that no matter how fierce the storms of life may be, He is always there—our refuge, our guide, and our salvation. Amen.

### Matthew 14:22-33 **Christ Yeshua Walks on the Water**

<sup>22</sup> Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>23</sup> After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

<sup>25</sup> Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. <sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

<sup>27</sup> But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

<sup>28</sup> "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

<sup>29</sup> "Come," he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

<sup>31</sup> Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

<sup>32</sup> And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. <sup>33</sup> Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."



