

Break Down THAT Door

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JUST BREAK DOWN THAT DOOR! is the last verse of the song. One may ask, "Why is the last verse inconsistent with all the other verse?" which is "please break down my door".

The original verse was "Please break down my door". The change from "my" door to "that" door was requested by my Dad during rehearsal. My initial inclination coupled with my unbridled ego was to resist the change as "that" door made no sense to me. Humility reminded me that it was my Dad's song, not mine. So "that" door reigned.

I still cannot fully explain "that" door; however, I will share my opinion. We can carry sin, shame, and/or anger towards ourselves or someone or something that has hurt us deeply. Jesus took all the sin, hurt, and shame upon himself on the cross. If we carry it, He still carries it, and our door remains shut. Sometimes the sin or hurt is so great, that it becomes a "that door" event instead of a "my door" event. We are able to forgive others and ourselves for most of life's trials and tribulations and hence can invite Jesus to "knock down my door".

It's just THAT one extreme event THAT is so traumatic THAT we are paralyzed by THAT door; and we are unable to get anywhere close to THAT door.

It's ok. Jesus understands our humanity and doesn't require us to be perfect. He just wants to LOVE us, FORGIVE us, and SAVE us. All of us. Still, we just can't open THAT door. No problem, simply ask Jesus to

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