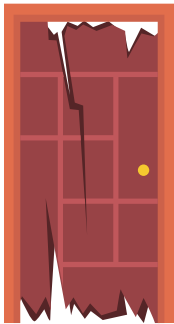


Parable of the Doors

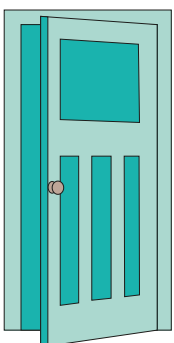
There was once , a skilled carpenter stood who before a beautifully crafted door. As they admired their work, they began to share five important lessons with the door:

1. **You will always create an impact.** Dear door, every time you open or close, you make a mark on the lives of those who pass through you.



2. **Mistakes can be fixed.** You may fracture or break but you can be repaired or adjusted.

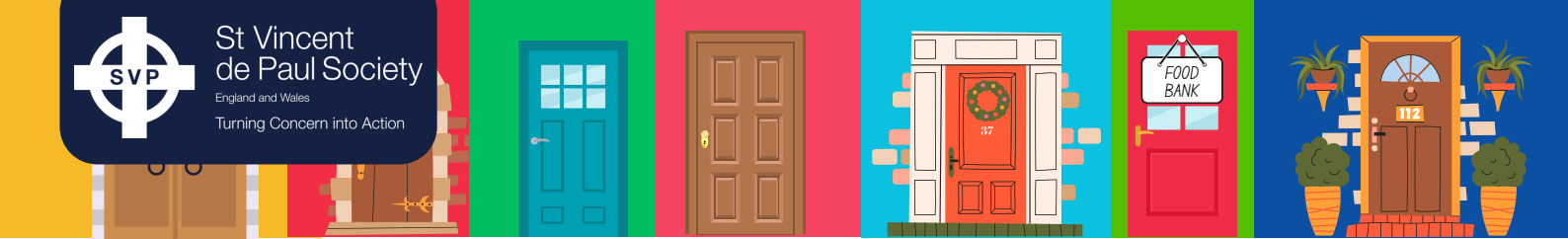
3. **Strength is what matters inside.** While your surface may be beautiful, it's the solid frame and sturdy hinges that make you reliable.



4. **Sometimes you need to be patient.** Sometimes you may take time to open smoothly, there may be things in your way or your hinges may get rusty. Be patient and you will be able to open.

5. **You are a gateway to welcome.** When you swing open, this is an invite for others to walk through you.

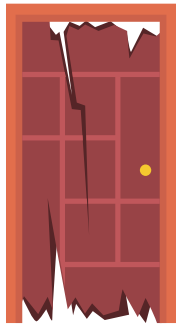




The door listened intently, absorbing the wisdom of the carpenter. From that day on, it stood proudly, ready to create connections and welcome all who approached.

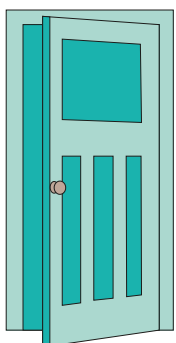
Now, replacing the door with you...

1. **You will always create an impact.** Remember, your presence can change a moment for someone.



2. **Mistakes can be fixed.** Embrace the moments when you feel imperfect; they are opportunities for growth.

3. **Strength is what matters inside.** Similarly, it's your inner qualities your kindness and integrity that truly define you.



4. **Sometimes you need to be patient.** In life, remember that growth and connection can require patience. Trust God's plan for you; good things often come with time.

5. **You are a gateway to welcome.** Your ability to welcome people is a gift. Embrace it, for each encounter can bring joy, friendship, and shared experiences.



