

WHO AT THE DOOR IS STANDING?

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INTRO.:

A. Read: Revelation 3:20-22.

B. About the Text:

1. The last 3 verses of Revelation 3 closes Jesus' address to the seven churches of Asia.
2. Jesus knocks at the door. The door must be opened to allow Him entrance.
3. Opening the door to Jesus, is to fellowship with Him. A closed door separates us from Him.

C. We often sing, "Who At The Door Is Standing?"

1. In our study we will discuss this question.
2. Please understand, there are TWO at the door. One on the inside and one outside.

DISCUSSION: WHO AT THE DOOR IS STANDING?

I. JESUS IS STANDING AT THE DOOR.

A. Jesus stands at this door every day.

1. Jesus is MERCIFUL: kindness or good will toward those in need. ABUNDANT Much, great and fully sufficient.
 - 1) **1 Peter 1:3.**
 - 2) **Eph. 2:4.**
2. Jesus is PATIENT: steadfast, constant, never giving up.
 - 1) **Rev. 1:9.**
 - 2) **Rev. 3:10.**
 - 3) He is constant and true.
3. Jesus is LOVING: He continues to knock because He loves us.
 - 1) **Eph. 5:2.**
 - 2) **Eph. 3:19.**
4. Jesus continues to knock upon the door of our hearts!

B. NOTICE: Jesus knocks on the door, he doesn't barge in.

1. Jesus INVITES us to open to Him:
 - 1) **Rev. 3:20.**
 - 2) **Rev 22:17.**
 - 3) The act of receiving him is as voluntary on our part as it is when we rise and open the door to one who knocks.
 - 4) ***Clearly refutes the Calvinist doctrine which states that man has no power of choice concerning salvation.
2. NOTE the phrase, "... will sup with him, and he with me." The idea is a close relationship...
3. But Jesus does not force.

C. Jesus is waiting for our response.

1. We may open the door OR we may leave it closed.
2. But remember Jesus stands on the other side of the door.

II. WE ARE STANDING AT THE DOOR AS WELL.

A. EACH ONE of us stand on the other side of this door.

1. Those who have never obeyed the gospel. "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (**Luke 5:32; Luke 19:10**)

2. The *unfaithful Christian*. “As many as I love, I reprove and chasten be zealous therefore, and repent.” (**Rev. 3:19**).
3. The *faithful Christian*. Must keep the door open! “Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee the crown of life.” (**Rev. 2:10**).

B. Jesus is knocking at our door through the word.

1. We hear Him at the door as the word is taught to us. **Rom. 10:17; Acts 2:37**.
2. We can hear Him knocking as we have private studies. **2 Tim. 2:15; 2 Pet. 1:10** “give diligence to make your...”

C. How will we respond to those knocks?

1. Will we open the door and accept Jesus into our lives?
2. Will we leave the door closed?
3. Will we tell Jesus to go away and come again when we have a “more convenient season?”

III. CONCLUSION:

A. Who at the door is standing?

1. Jesus (Knocks to come in).
2. You (Either open or reject the call).
3. We determine whether He enters or not.

B. The Lord’s Invitation. Jesus is knocking today.

C. Remember... YOU control.

1. Hear the word; **Romans 10:17** “Faith comes by hearing...”
2. Believe with all your heart; **Hebrews 11:6** “For without faith it is impossible....”
3. Repent of your sins (**Acts 17:30**).
4. Confess Jesus as the Son of God (**Matt. 16:16**).
5. Be Baptized for the remission of your sins (**Mark 16:15-16**).
6. Keep on walking in the light (**1 John 1:7**). Finish your course, keep the faith (**2 Tim. 4:7**).