

## Revelation 3:20

***Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.***

A lot of people quote this verse when sharing Jesus with the lost or talking about the lost. But the truth is, this is from one of the seven letters to the Churches, which means that it is written to believers and Jesus is knocking the hearts of believers, not non-believers.

But this devotional will not get into that. No, instead, think of it this way. What if Jesus came to your house right now and knocked on your door. Now you don't know that it's Him knocking, you just hear that knock on your door and you look through the little peep hole on the door to see who it is, and to your surprise, there is Jesus standing outside wanting to come in and hang out with you for a while.

So, what do you do?

Would you be embarrassed because of what is playing on the TV right then, or what you are looking at on the internet, or the things in your home, like a bunch of empty beer cans, or cigarettes or certain books or magazines laying around your home, so you would have to run around like a head with it's chicken cut off trying to hide things before you would let Jesus come in? ***“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”***

What if you finally let Jesus in, and He sat down with you at your computer, and wanted to check out all the things you posted on Social Media. Would you be embarrassed for Jesus to read or see some of the posts or pictures that you posted? ***“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”***

What if Jesus sat with you on the sofa, and wanted to see your phone and look at all the text messages that you sent, you know including those ones that you sent gossiping about others, or sexting to some guy or girl, or???? ***“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”***

What if Jesus came back for His bride (the Church) before you could even finish reading this and you were caught up in the air with Jesus, leaving everything behind. Would you be embarrassed for what those left behind would find in your home, or car or workplace? ***“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”***

I remember several years ago, when my grandmother died at the age of 99. Before she died, she was in a nursing home for several years and they sold her home before she died. But before they did, all her children and some of her grandchildren went through her house to take what they wanted and sell or give away the other stuff. Fortunately, my Grandma was a Christian and some of the stuff we found was pretty cool of how she would serve other ministries. Yet we never found one thing that she would be embarrassed by. No bottles of alcohol or illegal pills, or pot or cigarettes. No books or magazines that had stuff in them that was inappropriate. If Jesus had ever

knocked on her door, she would have been able to open the door right away, because she had nothing to hide. ***“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”***

So, let me ask you the same question again, What if Jesus came to your house right now and knocked on your door? Maybe in this devotional, He is knocking on your heart telling you it’s time to clean up your insides (your heart and mind) where you say He dwells in, as well as your home where you and your family dwell in. ***“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.”***

† **Revelation 3:15 (NLT2)** ***I know all the things you do, that you are neither hot nor cold. I wish that you were one or the other!*** (underlined for emphasis)

† **Psalm 139:1-7** ***O LORD, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it. Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?***