Revelation 3:20 – NKJV)

> “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.”
> — *Revelation 3:20, NKJV*

Blessed be the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Welcome to this time of reflection on God’s Word.

1. The Exclusivity of Christ as the Way to Life

The Bible teaches that salvation is found in no one else but Jesus Christ. He is not one of many ways to God—He is the only way.

> “Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”
> — *Acts 4:12, NKJV*

As the Apostle Paul reminds us:

> “For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man’s obedience many will be made righteous.”
> — *Romans 5:19, NKJV*

Through Adam came sin and death; through Christ comes righteousness and life. Jesus Himself declared:

> “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”
> — *John 14:6, NKJV*

Any path outside of Christ—no matter how morally appealing or widely accepted—is a path of deception and eternal loss.

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2. Jesus Uses Parables to Reveal God’s Kingdom

Throughout His ministry, Jesus used everyday imagery—trees, seeds, farmers, merchants, kings—to teach profound spiritual truths:

> “All these things Jesus spoke to the multitude in parables… that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: ‘I will open My mouth in parables; I will utter things kept secret from the foundation of the world.’”
> *— Matthew 13:34–35, NKJV*

John concludes his Gospel by reminding us that much of what Jesus did was never recorded:

> “And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books…”
> *— John 21:25, NKJV*

One of the most intimate images He gives is that of knocking at the door of our hearts in Revelation 3:20, addressing the

lukewarm church of Laodicea.

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3. The Nature of Christ’s Invitation

When Jesus says *“I stand at the door and knock,”* He is expressing a personal and persistent call. This is not the Second Coming, which will be sudden and unannounced, like a thief in the night (Matthew 24:43–44). Rather, this is His daily approach to our individual hearts, desiring fellowship.

The language implies evening time—a spiritual metaphor for the last hour, the final opportunity before night falls:

> “The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness…”
> *— Romans 13:12, NKJV*

The supper He refers to (Revelation 3:20) echoes the Lord’s Supper, a symbol of communion and shared life. He brings spiritual nourishment—His Word, His Spirit, His peace. We, in return, offer Him our surrendered lives.

> “Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them.”
> — *Luke 12:37, NKJV*

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4. Responding to His Knock

Christ does not force entry. He knocks. He waits. He speaks. But the door must be opened from the inside. This illustrates free will and personal responsibility in salvation:

> “Today, if you will hear His voice, do not harden your hearts...”
> — *Hebrews 3:15, NKJV*

Some will not hear because they are spiritually asleep, distracted by the noise of the world (1 Thessalonians 5:6). Others hear but deliberately ignore Him.

Jesus warns that if we reject Him knowingly and repeatedly, He may eventually stop knocking. This echoes His rebuke to Jerusalem:

> “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem... How often I wanted to gather your children together... but you were not willing! See! Your house is left to you desolate; for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’”
> — *Matthew 23:37–39, NKJV*

This is one of the most sobering statements in Scripture: *“You shall see Me no more.”* The finality of divine rejection is terrifying.

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5. The Danger of Delay

Many assume they’ll respond to God “later”—in old age, or after they’ve enjoyed the pleasures of the world. But Scripture warns that we do not control tomorrow:

> “Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring forth.”
> — *Proverbs 27:1, NKJV*

The longer we delay, the more hardened our hearts can become (Hebrews 3:13). The very ability to hear His voice is grace—and that grace doesn’t last forever.

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6. Open the Door While You Still Can

If today you feel a stirring in your heart, that’s not coincidence—it’s the Spirit of God knocking. Don’t ignore it. Repent, believe, and surrender your life to Jesus.

> “Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near.”
> — *Isaiah 55:6, NKJV*

Open the door. He will not condemn you for taking long. He will come in, dine with you, restore you, and fill you with peace and

purpose. He brings blessings for both body and soul, and a new hope for this life and eternity.

But if you continue to ignore Him, the next time He comes may be not as a guest—but as a thief in the night, to take His own and leave the rest to face judgment.

> “Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.”
> *— Matthew 24:42, NKJV*

Conclusion: The Choice Is Yours

Jesus is at the door. He is knocking. Not with force, but with love. With patience, but also urgency. Will you open your heart today?

> “Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”
> *— 2 Corinthians 6:2, NKJV*

Respond now. Invite Him in. Let Him change your life.
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