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Title: Jesus is Knocking

Theme: Jesus wants to come into your heart. Will you let Him in?

Object: Door Knocker

Text: 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.

Wow!! What a wonderful promise!

Jesus is speaking these words. He says He is standing at the door and knocking.

And if anyone opens the door, Jesus promises to come in and have a meal with them.

Can you imagine that? Wouldn’t that be wonderful?

What if Jesus came to your house and knocked on your door?

How do you knock on a door? Here’s a door right here. Who can show me how to knock on this door?

To knock on a door we usually tap on it with our fist, and we hope the person inside can hear it.

The louder we knock, the more it hurts our fist.

Now some houses have a “door knocker.”

Have you ever heard of a door knocker? I have one in the bag today. Would you like to see it?

If you find a house with a door knocker on the door, you don’t have to hurt your fist knocking on the door.

Who would like to try the door knocker? [Let each child knock with the knocker.]

Now if you had a door knocker on your door, you could hear Jesus knocking even if you were running the vacuum cleaner.

So if we want to make sure we hear Jesus when He knocks on our door, what should we do?

Should we put a door knocker on our door? And put a welcome mat out in front of the door? And listen closely for someone to knock? And if it’s Jesus, let Him in and invite Him to dinner?

Now it would be interesting if Jesus went to different neighborhoods and actually knocked on people’s doors.

But Jesus is up in heaven now and He’s going to come back some day soon, but, right now, Jesus is NOT knocking on the doors of people’s houses.

What Jesus is saying in this verse is that He’s standing at the door of our hearts, knocking on the door of our hearts.

He wants to come into our hearts and be our Friend and spend time with us.

Jesus wants us to open our hearts to Him and love Him the way He loves us.

So Jesus knocks on the door of our hearts, and the “door knocker” He uses is His love for us.

As we read the Bible and pray to the Lord, here’s what we hear Jesus say:

[Knock, knock, knock with the door knocker] “I created you to be my friend.”

[Knock, knock, knock with the door knocker] “I love you.”

[Knock, knock, knock with the door knocker] “I died on the cross for your sins so you can be forgiven.”

[Knock, knock, knock with the door knocker] “I want to live with you forever.”

[Knock, knock, knock with the door knocker] “I want to come into your heart and be your Friend.”

[Knock, knock, knock with the door knocker] “Will you open the door of your heart and let me in?”

How many want Jesus to come in and be their friend?