

The Secret Place – Let You In

Get together as a family, put on the song “Let You In”. Don’t sing the song but simply listen to the words. As you listen to the song, pick out what lines stand out to you most from the song. **When it’s over, discuss what stood out & why.**

The worship team wrote this song around the picture of Jesus shared in Revelation 3:20. **Look up and read this verse together.**

Can you imagine Jesus standing at the front door of your house knocking?
What kind of thoughts would run through your head?
What kind of emotions would you feel?
What do you think Jesus would want to say?

This can kind of be a funny picture, but like the Bible says, Jesus is doing exactly that. He is standing at the door to our hearts knocking, asking if He can come inside.

What would you say to Jesus if He knocked on your front door?

Let's think about a door.
What does a door do? What is the purpose of a door? (take time to discuss together)

Doors are a way to get inside and outside of places. They protect bad things from getting in and keep safe the special things that are inside. But can a door sometimes keep out something that is good?
What do you think? Talk about it together.

Behold, I stand at **the door** and **knock**. If anyone hears my voice and **opens the door**, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.
Revelation 3:20



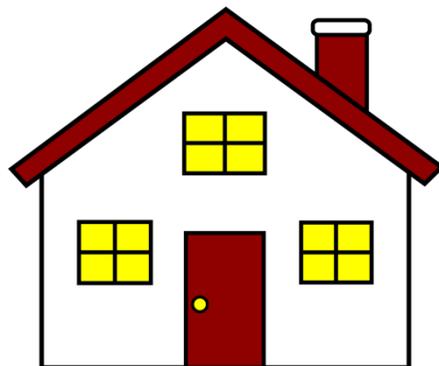
Do you think it's wise to open a door if it's a stranger outside? (No, not unless a parent is with you and says it's okay).
We don't usually want to invite people we don't know into our homes. Our homes are special and safe places.
So how do we know when to open the door?

Read Revelation 3:20 again.

What does the verse say before it talks about opening the door? (Hearing Jesus' voice!)
We recognize Jesus' voice!

PLAY THIS GAME – Voice Disguise

Blindfold one person and put them in the center of the group. Have the group pick another person to talk. Have the person talking try to disguise their voice by talking funny or in a different voice than normal. Let the blindfolded person try to guess who's talking!



We learn to recognize Jesus' voice by reading the Bible and spending time with Him.

So why is it important to let Jesus into the home of our heart when He knocks?

The end of Revelation 3:20 says "I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me."

Jesus wants to come inside and be like a family! He wants to eat a special meal and spend time with us, live with us closely like our family does!

FAMILY TIME

Make a special invitation for your family members and invite them to a Special Family Dinner. Use the template on the next page or create your own!

Spend time with your mom or dad planning a special family meal. Maybe eat a favorite dish or make someone's favorite dessert, or consider going to someone's favorite restaurant. Then make sure to invite everyone you love to join!



RIPPLE EFFECT

Sometimes opening the door to Jesus makes a much **BIGGER** difference than we think.

Supplies: a pebble, a body of water

Take a pebble or small rock then go find a neighborhood pond. If you don't have a nearby pond, fill a bowl up with water.

Once the water is still, toss your pebble into the water and watch what happens.

What do you see happening?

You should see ripples. Even though the pebble was dropped in one spot, the ripples it made goes much **FARTHER** than the size of the pebble. The same is true for our yes to Jesus. Our small "yes" to Him now can lead to much bigger things happening in the future!



BUILD A HOME

Now that we know we get to invite Jesus inside our Heart Home, let's build Him one. Using legos, blocks or the paper house template below, create a home for Jesus.

Imagine all the rooms there would be, what color, how big and make Jesus the best home you can think of!

Time For A



Party!

For:

Date:

Time:

Place:

RSVP:



BUILD A HOUSE

1. Print the house template. Trace around the 4 pieces onto colored cardstock and cut them out.
2. Glue the door onto the bottom of the house under the front gable
3. Glue the heart shape above the door
4. Fold the four corners of the house vertically. Use the template to guide you.
5. Add glue to the end tab
6. Glue the tab to the opposite end of the house to make a 3D structure
7. Fold the roof rectangle in half and open it

