

Do You Have Room for Jesus?

“Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hears my voice, and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will eat with him, and he with me.” Revelations 3:20

Child of God, is God a permanent resident or just a visitor in your life and home?

As we mark the 68th anniversary of our church today, we have chosen to focus on strengthening our relationships, families and the home. We realize that stronger families make for a stronger church. However, we do not need to look far to see that many marriages and families are under attack. Man has even gotten so bold as to try to redefine marriage...something God has already defined. With all that is going on, from financial problems to mental stress, a lot of our relationships are in trouble. Nevertheless, as perilous as these times may be for the family, God still has the answer for healing in our homes.

Starting today, I want to encourage you to make room for Jesus in your home and relationships. Allow God to become a permanent part of your household and not just someone you meet up with once a week at His house. God desires to have a close relationship with all of us but it is up to us to let Him in. Many of our relationships and families are struggling because we have either not let God into our relationships or we have put Him out of our relationships.

Child of God, when is the last time you prayed with your spouse and/or children? If you are dating, when is the last time you and your significant other spent time studying the Bible together and talking about God's word? Have you ever turned the TV off, shut down the computer and come together with your family for a time of worship and praise? If not, why not? Jesus has promised that where two or three are gathered together in his name, he would be in the midst. If you want to experience the presence and power of the Lord in your relationships, family and home, you have got to make room for Jesus by making time for the spiritual things that bring us into the presence of the Lord like prayer, worship, Bible study and serving others. If we don't make room for Jesus, he is not going to force his way in and everyone suffers.

I encourage you to seize the opportunity this week that God is giving you to learn how to build healthy relationships/families in a dysfunctional world. Attend all of the sessions of the Family Enrichment Series with Brother Howard Wright. If you want to improve your relationships...if you want to have a strong marriage and family, you have got to make room for Jesus.