### Story of Hope || Easter - Part 4

Revelation 3:20

#### INTRODUCTION

Jesus wants you to receive Him. He is just waiting on your invitation. He loves you, but He will not force himself on you. You must invite Him into your life. There is a famous painting in St. Paul's Cathedral in London entitled "The Light of the World" by the artist William Holman Hunt. The painting is of Jesus standing in the doorway of a long unopened door. There is no handle as the door only opens on the inside. Jesus lives. Jesus loves you. Will you invite Him in?

#### **CONVERSATION STARTERS**

- 1. What is your favorite Easter candy? (i.e. Peeps, Cadbury Eggs, etc.)
- 2. What do you most enjoy about your small group?

### **SERMON NOTES REVIEW**

Looking back at your sermon notes from this weekend's teaching, was there anything said that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

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## **GROUP DISCUSSION**

- 1. When did you open the door of your life to Jesus?
- 2. It was God's wisdom and perfect love for us that gave us free will. However, it is also our free will that causes us to reject God's love. Why do you think God gave us free will?
- 3. Jesus is patiently standing at the door waiting for you to invite Him into your life. What would keep a person from saying"'YES" and inviting Jesus to be their Savior?
- 4. It only takes 1% faith for God to move in your life. What part of your life do you need to give 1% of faith to God and let Him guide you?
- 5. Read aloud **John 3:16.** The only requirement God gave His people to have eternal life with Him was to believe we need Jesus as our Savior. Tell the story about how you invited Jesus into your heart.
- 6. No matter who you are, what you've done, or what's been done to you, God has a purpose and plan for your life. God knows your scars and He is the Great Healer. How can you use your testimony to help others understand Jesus' love for them?

# **PRAYER**

God, thank You for paying the price for our sins and rising from the grave to offer us eternal life with You. Thank You for being the light of the world. We pray for wisdom to use our testimonies to help others know Your love. Please surround us with peace that can only come from Your Holy Spirit. Amen!



"The Light of the World" by William Holman Hunt



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Be sure to join us next week as we begin a new series next week titled "Church People... Are the Worst!" Also, it is not too late to give towards our special offering to Harvest India. You can give by visiting Give.sv.cc. Thank you in advance for your generosity!