

**30 Days Together**  
**“Immanuel - God With Us”**  
**#30daystogether**

**Day #24 – Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Text: Revelation 3:20-22**

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne. Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

**Devotion:** Pastor Craig

In my childhood home, we had a small family room by our main door. It was the room we spent 70% of our time in. When guests would come over to our farmhouse, we would hear our dog Schulz bark. Someone would look out and see who it was, and if it was a guest, we would scamper to pick up the room. We would have toys, books, and pillows laying around the room and they needed to be picked up quickly to make the room presentable and so the guest would not trip. Unexpected guests made us uncomfortable.

When I read this passage about Jesus knocking on the door, I admit I panic a little. He is at the door, not in the driveway. Hurry up!

But then I need to remember this is Jesus. He comes to bless me. I love the picture of Him coming to “eat with that person.” And know what? He brings the meal that satisfies. He brings the feast to bless. Advent reminds us to prepare for the One who is knocking on the door. Advent reminds us to look forward to Jesus’ arrival and not to stress over it.

**Closing Prayer:** “Welcome Jesus. Welcome into my home, into my life, into my day today. Thank you for approaching me with love and kindness. Amen”