

## OPENING THE DOOR TO GOD

### Part 4: A Quality Decision

**Revelations 3:20 NKJ** 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.

### PETER OPENS THE DOOR TO GOD IN HIS LIFE (Luke 5:1-11 NKJ)

- ❖ Jesus needed help
  - ◆ The logistical challenge of being pressed
  - ◆ Jesus asked Peter to help
  - ◆ Peter agreed to help - period. No bartering
- ❖ Jesus gave a directive
  - ◆ Launch out for a catch
  - ◆ Peter had a choice - Jesus did not cause fish to come jump in his boat
  - ◆ The directive did not appear logical
  - ◆ Jesus' will for Peter was not going to "just happen"
- ❖ Peter makes a good decision
  - ◆ Seemingly against his better judgement
  - ◆ At Your word I will
- ❖ By obeying Jesus' directive Peter opened a door to God
  - ◆ Received a miraculous catch of fish
  - ◆ Jesus had bigger plans for Peter - catching people

### OPENING THE DOOR TO GOD IN YOUR LIFE

- ❖ Choose to help the Lord
  - ◆ Abandon the idea that He does not need us (**1 Corinthians 12:27 NKJ**)
  - ◆ The Lord will ask you to help, He will not force you
- ❖ Choose to believe
  - ◆ Don't wait for a feeling
  - ◆ Don't wait to see something
  - ◆ The instructions to Thomas still ring true today (**John 20:27-29 NKJ**)
- ❖ Choose to obey His directives
  - ◆ Start with the directives in His word (**James 1:22 NKJ**)
  - ◆ Not always the logical choice - lean not to your own understanding
  - ◆ Those who see God's blessings are those who do His will - His word