

“Please Open The Door”
Revelation 3:14-22 (Laodicea)

Review...

- What the Lord said to Ephesus...Keep first love first!!
- What the Lord said to Smyrna...Keep your eyes focused on Jesus!!
- What the Lord said to Pergamum...Do not compromise Truth!!
- What the Lord said to Thyatira...Stay true to the course!!
- What the Lord said to Sardis...Don't Quit!! Wake Up!!
- What the Lord said to Philadelphia...Keep His Word & Keep His Name!!

I. SEE THE SHOCKING TRUTH ABOUT YOURSELF (3:14-16)

- Start by seeing the truth about God. He is...

The amen	...Worthy of my <u>time</u>
The faithful and true witness	...Worthy of my <u>trust</u>
The ruler of God's creation	...Worthy of my <u>worship</u>
- Have the courage to listen

Cold	Lukewarm	Hot
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II. ADMIT YOUR DESPERATE NEED (3:17)

We think we've met our own needs through:

Riches:	What we <u>acquire</u>
Rules:	What we <u>require</u>
Knowledge:	How we <u>inquire</u>
Relationships:	Who we <u>desire</u>
Achievement:	How we <u>aspire</u>

The more self sufficient we think we are the more we unknowingly become:

Wretched , pitiful , poor , blind , naked

III. GO TO JESUS ALONE TO MEET YOUR NEEDS (3:18)

“I counsel you to buy from Me...”

- Gold refined by fire –**FAITH**-so you can become rich
- White clothes to wear-**PURITY**-to cover your nakedness.
- Salve to cover your eyes-**WISDOM**-so you can see

IV. RESPOND TO THE FATHER'S LOVE (3:19)

Punishment makes me want to **run** and **hide**
 Discipline invites me to **recognize** and **obey**

V. CONTINUALLY OPEN THE DOOR TO JESUS (3:20)

*If you open the door... I **WILL** COME IN*