



Knocking... the most important knock of all!

Recently my wife and I were in Guernsey for a family wedding... As we descended the elegant hotel stairway, the following beautifully designed legend in large lettering faced us:

Listen!

Opportunity is knocking,
Don't let knockers make so much noise
you can't hear the real knock!
The call is for you.
Open the door yourself.

This message reminded me of the challenging words of the Lord Jesus recorded in the Bible:

*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.*

I recall my own experience of hearing that 'knock' when I was about 20 years old. I had always regarded myself as a Christian but so many 'knocks' demanded my time and energy that I foolishly (and sinfully!) ignored the greatest of all God's commandments - *You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.*

I realised that God was 'knocking' - urging me to hand over the control of my life to Him. I struggled as I considered the change this would make - but I have never - even for one moment - regretted responding to that knock!

I know that if I had continued to live for myself and not for Him - the future would be bleak indeed - for one day we will all give an account of our lives to God. The Lord Jesus died to save us from the terrible and eternal consequences of our sins and now He says *Come to Me and I will give you rest.* Our prayer is that many in the area will respond to this invitation! We would love to welcome you to the Chapel! Please join us on Saturday 14th June for our 230th Anniversary Services if you can - or any Sunday or Thursday.

Sincerely,

George Rabey - Pastor



Five Ash Down Chapel 1784 - 2014

Anniversary Services

Chapel's 230th & Pastor's 13th Anniversary Services

Saturday 14th June, 2014 @ 3pm & 6pm

Guest Speaker - Pastor Tim Burden

All are welcome

Tea provided between the services



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Five Ash Down Chapel Services

Sunday services are at 11.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m.

Sundays 11.00 a.m. to 12 noon Good News Group

(Children 3 years and over)

Thursdays 7.30 p.m. Prayer and Bible Study