

A Surprise Visit

... from your favorite VIP

You'd clean the house and put out the best.

You'd make a room with things you know he'd like – a “hog room,” if you're an Arkansas Razorback expecting their head coach, for example.

You'd hide anything from an opposing team or political candidate.

You'd put away all the “house divided” items.

You would make no excuses. You would rearrange your schedule to accommodate the visit. If you put him off, he'd probably never come back. If he did show up later, he would not be pleased.

... from Jesus

You'd make a “Jesus room.”
You'd do like Zaccheus... and repent!

Like the Christians in Ephesus, you'd burn whatever was inappropriate.

Like Adam and Eve, you'd know that hiding would be pointless, because...

Heb 4:12 The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³ And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

You'd stop trying to live in both worlds, flesh and spirit.

You'd act *now*, making no excuses..
The surprise is that... He's already here, already knocking. He's been calling all your life through the gospel.

Don't put him off, hoping that he'll come back later and still in a gracious mood.

Your opportunity is now.