

GO DEEPER

SPECIAL WORDS

I STAND AT THE DOOR

(STAND UP TALL WITH HANDS BY YOUR SIDE)

AND KNOCK

(MAKE A FIST AND PRETEND TO KNOCK ON A DOOR)

MEMORY VERSE

Look! I stand at the door and knock.
If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends.

Revelation 3:20 (NLT)

DAILY DEVOTIONS

DAY 1: GOD IS KNOCKING

READ - Joshua 2:1-7

Knock, knock. (child: who's there) God. (child: God who) The one true God, will you obey? When the spies knocked on Rahab's door she had the choice to obey God and help the spies or get them in trouble. She chose to obey by helping the spies. If God came and knocked on your door and gave you the choice to obey Him, what would you do? What if it was really hard to obey? **Remember God says, "I stand at the door and knock."**

DAY 2: GOD PROTECTS

READ - Joshua 6:15-17

Let's stack a pile of pillows in the middle of the floor and pretend that it is the city of Jericho. *While stacking the pillows hide a red cloth or string in the middle.* Now, let's march around our city seven times. On the seventh time we will shout and smash down the pillows! Do the activity. Oh look! A red cloth! That reminds me that because Rahab obeyed God, He saved her and her family! **Remember God says, "I stand at the door and knock."**

DAY 3: GOD WANTS TO USE YOU

READ - Revelation 3:20

Play a game of Simon Says but instead of saying, "Simon says..." say, "Knock, knock would you..." When God knocks He is giving us the chance to obey Him and help others. No matter what bad choices you make God always gives you another chance to choose to obey Him. Rahab had made a lot of bad choices in her life. But, God loved her, even though she had done wrong, and He wanted to use her to help others. Will you choose to obey God's voice and let Him use you to help others? **Remember God says, "I stand at the door and knock."**

DAY 4: GOD KNOCKS TO OFFER FORGIVENESS

READ - Proverbs 3:5-6, Philippians 4:13

Blind fold your child and verbally give them directions to move across the room. Remind them that they can trust your voice. It is not always easy to obey. Especially if it seems hard or scary. How did you feel when you couldn't see where you were walking? Show me how you think Rahab felt when the soldiers came looking for the spies? I would have felt _____. But Rahab chose to obey God and trust Him. When God asks us to obey Him we can trust Him too! **Remember God says, "I stand at the door and knock."**

Day 5: OBEY AND FOLLOW

READ - Joshua 6:22-23

Rahab made the choice to obey and follow God. Because of that Joshua, the leader of the Israelites, saved her life and the lives of her family. When we obey God He protects us! But we have to choose to listen to His Word, the Bible, and to obey Him. Obeying God is like opening a door. Will you choose to obey God today? Finish your time this morning by playing a game of follow the leader. **Remember God says, "I stand at the door and knock."**



DISAPPEARING SIN

Materials: disappearing ink, white cloth

Jesus is knocking at our hearts. We can choose to believe in Him and allow Him to take our dirty hearts and make them new.

1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

Get a little bottle of disappearing ink. Think of a bad choice you have made before. As you think of this choice, drip some of the ink on a white cloth or towel. As you watch the ink disappear think about how Jesus promises to forgive us for our sins when we ask Him for forgiveness! What do you need to ask Jesus for forgiveness from today?



HIDE THE SPIES

Materials: two toy people

Rahab trusted in God and helped hide the two good spies. She hid the good spies from the bad guys! Once it was safe, Rahab helped the good spies get away. Because Rahab was courageous and helped the good guys, they told her to hang a red rope from her window and God would keep her safe. And because Rahab trusted God, God kept her safe!

Pretend you are Rahab and hide your "spies" in different spots around your house. Have someone from your family try and find the "spies" you hid!



CUDDLE CLOSE

Materials: None

Before bed pull your child close beside you and say, "Knock, knock, knock. God is knocking, will you obey?" As you tuck them into bed sing, "Obey" (www.tinyurl.com/yancyobey). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase, to let your child repeat after you:

*Dear God,
Help me learn to hear your knock.
Help me to want to read the Bible.
Help me to obey Your Word.
Thank you for wanting and loving me.
In Jesus' name, Amen.*