



GO DEEPER

SPECIAL WORDS

OPEN THE DOOR

(PRETEND TO OPEN 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: KNOCKING

READ - Revelation 3:20, Matthew 16:24

You may be wondering how we open the door to our hearts or how God needs to be let in when He is everywhere! He means that He wants us to obey and follow Him, but we have to choose to open the door to hear what He has to say. Let's pretend to be robots for a minute. Did you know God has the power to force us to worship and obey Him just like a robot? But He didn't make us like robots! He wants us to want to obey Him. All we have to do is **open the door**.

DAY 2: ISAIAH'S VISION

READ - Isaiah 6:1-8

What is one of the craziest dreams you have ever had? Well, we read today that Isaiah had a vision. A vision is basically a dream God gives to people while they are still awake. I'm sure our imaginations can't even come close to what it looked like when God gave the vision to Isaiah. God can speak to us in many different ways. When God is speaks to us He knocking on our hearts and He wants us to **open the door**!

DAY 3: FORGIVENESS

READ - Isaiah 6:7, Acts 2:38-39

Our sins are anything we think, say, or do that disobey God. What are some things that you do wrong? (share examples) Those are called sins. We all sin. God wants to use us but before He does He wants to forgive us. Forgiveness is there, we just need to ask for it, and **open the door**. Let's practice asking for forgiveness. "God I'm sorry for _____. Will you forgive me?" And the amazing thing is He will forgive you every time!

DAY 4: ISAIAH'S RESPONSE

READ - Isaiah 6:8, Ephesians 2:10

The Lord asks who He should send to tell others about God. And what was Isaiah's response? Isaiah flung that door wide open and said that he would do what the Lord asked. Isaiah said yes to going and telling others about God. Isaiah had to choose to obey God, or not. When we feel that God is asking us to do something, we can either **open the door** by saying yes, and obeying, or we can leave the door shut by saying no, and disobeying.

Day 5: SHARE IT

READ - Romans 5:8, Mark 16:15

Isaiah said, "yes" to God by going and telling others about God. God knocked on the door of Isaiah's heart, and he opened it. God loves us so much, but not everyone knows about Him. Will you **open the door** and tell someone about Jesus and His love today? Think of 3 people you will see today. When you see them take a moment and say to them, "Jesus loves you!" This is a great way to share the truth of Jesus' love with others.

) SHOUT IT OUT

Materials: paper, tape, art supplies

Isaiah lived in a time when God's people were scared. Enemies to the north had formed an alliance and they were ready to attack. The people knew their country would be destroyed. If they ever needed to hear from God, this was the time. That's why God called a very special messenger. God Calls His People to Speak for Him.

What kind of message did Isaiah give the people? (Read Isaiah 6:1–8; 9:1–6)

Create and decorate your own megaphone. If you were going to spread a message of love and hope from God, what would you say? Once your megaphone is complete use it to shout out a message of love and hope from God.

OPEN THE DOOR, SHINE HIS LIGHT

Materials: votive candle, printable paper wrap, scissors, push pin, glue or tape

Print, cut out, and assemble the votive candle ring according to the instructions on the handout.

Isaiah 6:8 "I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'"

Where did God send Isaiah? Where does God send us? God called Isaiah and us to speak for Him. When we speak for God we are a light in the darkness.

- In what ways is our world a dark place?
- How can you bring light and hope to people who don't know about God?

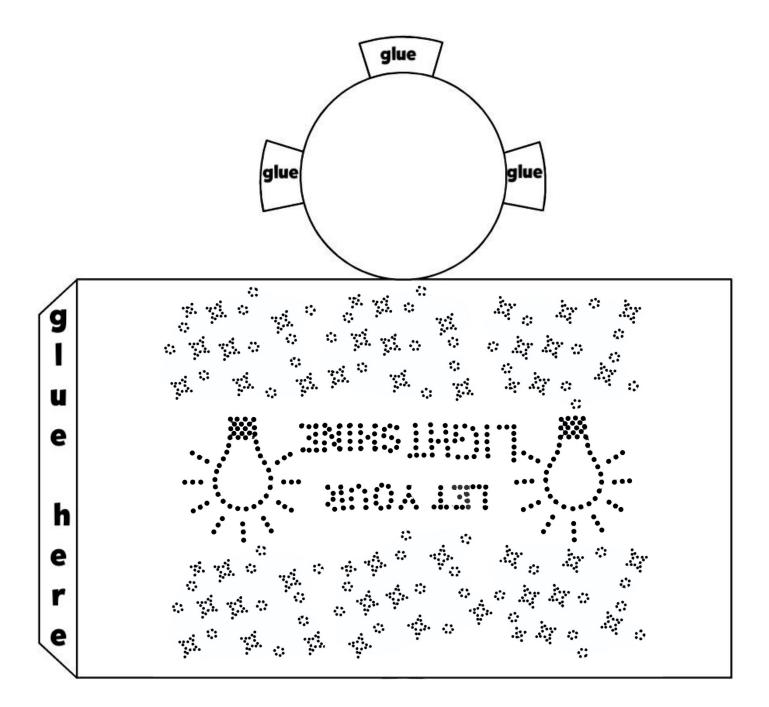
God is knocking and He wants us to be his messengers. Isaiah opened the door and said yes to being a very special messenger for God. God has a plan for you too! Will you open the door to His plan for your life? Place your candle somewhere as a reminder to open the door to God so that His light can shine through you. When you turn on the candle, the glow will come through the wrapper you designed.

CUDDLE CLOSE

Materials: None

Before bed pull your child close beside you and say, "Knock, knock, knock. I can open the door and obey God's Word." As you tuck them into bed sing, "Obey" (<u>www.tinyurl.com/wewillobey</u>). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase, to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God, Help me to listen for and obey you. Help me to share about you with others. Thank you for your love. In Jesus' name, Amen.



Directions:

- 1. Print template
- 2. Cut out template
- 3. Use a push pin to punch out the dotted design
- 4. Roll template and glue tabs inside the roll
- 5. Place an electric tea light in the tube and enjoy the glow of your design!