



### **GO DEEPER**

#### **REWIND VOL. 2**

## **DAILY DEVOTIONS**

#### DAY 1: GOD IS WORTHY TO FOLLOW

#### READ - Judges 7:9-25

Pretend you are one of the 300 men in Gideon's army getting ready for battle. God gives Gideon directions to follow. You are hoping Gideon gives you a big sword. Instead, he hands you a trumpet, a torch and a clay jar. Not what you were expecting, right? But God is always worthy to be followed. His plans are best! Gideon followed God's directions and the Israelites won the battle! **Remember: When we are under pressure, God is worthy!** 

#### **DAY 2: STRENGTH IN OUR WEAKNESS**

#### READ - Judges 16:26-30, 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

At the end of Samson's life, he was blind and really weak. His enemies, the Philistine people, were making fun of him! But even though he was weak, Samson asked God for help and God gave Him the strength to make his enemies' building fall down! Our weaknesses aren't a problem for God. He wants us to remember to always ask Him for help! **Remember: When we are under pressure, God is our strength!** 

#### **DAY 3: PRAY FIRST**

#### READ - 2 Kings 19:9-11, 14-19

Instruct your child to hold up one finger and say, "Pray first!" Have them say and do this after each question you ask. When you are feeling sad, what should you do? When you are making a choice, what should you do? When you are scared, what should you do? When you start your day, what should you do? When you make a mistake, what should you do? When King Hezekiah heard people making fun of God what did he do? God wants us to talk to Him first about everything! **Remember God says, "Pray to Me, and I will hear you."** 

#### DAY 4: KNOCK, KNOCK

#### 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 5: OPEN THE DOOR

#### READ - Isaiah 6:1-8, 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 leave the door shut by saying no, and disobeying, or we can **open the door** by saying yes, and obeying.

# GOD IS...

#### Materials: spinner template printed on cardstock, paper brad, markers

Life is full of pressures, or things that are hard to go through. Sometimes it's a tough decision we have to make, like what cereal to eat for breakfast. Then there's the pressure of obeying our parents. There can also be pressure in our life when we struggle between doing what God tells us to do, and what we may want to do in that moment. Can you think of any other situations in your life that you struggle with?

When we are under pressure we need to remember who God is and that His power is greater than anything we may face. And it's by God's power that we can overcome the pressures in our life. And believe it or not, the hard things we go through can actually make us stronger, and our lives better.

Create a "God is..." spinner. When you are feeling under pressure, pull out your spinner, look up some of the verses, and remember who God is! Remember, when you are under pressure God is enough!

Spinner Direction:

- 1. Print the template.
- 2. Color and cut out both circles.
- 3. Make a small hole in the middle of the circles and place a metal brad through it. Flip the spinner to the back and flatten the brad's legs.



#### Materials: plastic bottle, paper, pen, string

Revelation 3:20 "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)

This was a message given to the disciple, John, through a vision. A vision is like a dream that someone sees while they are awake. Jesus wanted the message told that He is knocking on the door of our hearts and He wants us to make the choice to open the door to Him, His love, and to accept His gift of forgiveness.

Create a message in a bottle. Draw a picture that shows your love for Jesus. Roll the paper up, tie it with a string, and place it in your bottle. Then, ask God who He would have you to share His message of love and hope with. You can give your bottle to someone you think may need to hear about God's love!

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#### Materials: none

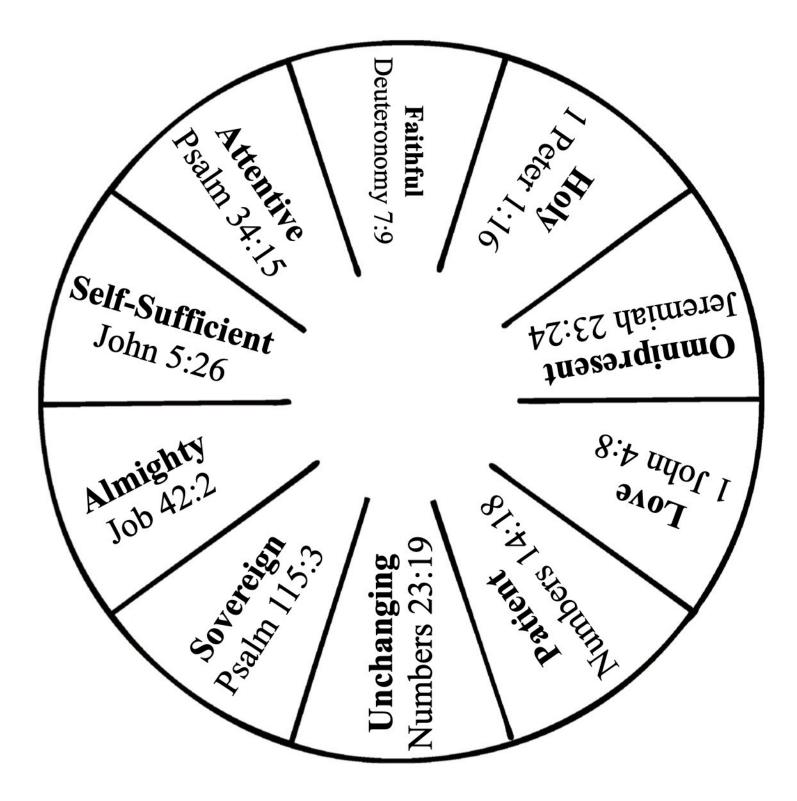
Before bed pull your child close beside you and say, "*God is so good!*" As you tuck them into bed, sing, "God is so Good" (<u>www.tinyurl.com/sogoodyancy</u>). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God,

Thank you for being with me when I am happy. Thank you for being with me when I am sad. Thank you for being with me when I am scared. And even when I am mad. Help me remember that you love me! Help me share Your love with others I see. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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