Kidz World's Church at Home '30 DAYS OF PRAYER' – I Can Pray For Others!

FUN TIME: "The Middle Man"

What You Will Need: About 10 objects, they can be anything. Pieces of paper (equal to the number of objects) with the name of one of the objects on each piece written on it, a bucket or wastebasket placed in the middle of the room.

What You Will Do: You need three players for this game. One player will be the "Chief". They will stand at one end of the room with all of the objects, wanting to give all the things to the 'Seeker'. Another player will be the 'Middle Man'. They will stand in the middle of the room next to the bucket. The last player will be the 'Seeker'. They will have the pieces of paper with the names of the objects. The goal of the game is for 'The Seeker' to get his request for the objects to the 'Chief'. The only way to do that is if the 'Seeker' tosses the pieces of paper, one at a time, to the middle of the room and it lands in the bucket. The 'Middle Man' will then need to take the bucket with the pieces of paper to the 'Chief' and ask for the items. The 'Middle Man' gets to choose if they will or won't take the bucket to the 'Chief'. If the 'Middle Man' delivers the bucket, the 'Seeker' gets what they requested. If not, they don't. After the game, ask the following questions. How did it feel to have to depend on 'The Middle Man' to deliver the bucket to 'The Chief'? How important was 'The Middle Man' to the Seeker and 'The Chief'?

BIBLE TIME:

Today, we are going to talk about the Prayer of Intercession. To intercede means to stand in the gap, or in the middle. As Christians, we are to intercede, or stand in the gap, for those who don't know God or need help. It's the most important way God is able to do things in the Earth. He really can't do anything unless His children ask. Let's take a look at our Bible story for today and see how God was willing to help people simply because one of His children asked Him.

READ: Genesis 18:17-33

Familiarize yourself with the Bible passage and summarize it for your younger children. Read it with older children. For toddlers and preschoolers, simply share the answers to these questions with them as you summarize the Bible story. Keep it short and sweet for them



- 1. Why did God tell Abraham what was going to happen to Sodom & Gomorrah?
- 2. What did Abraham do when God told him Sodom & Gomorrah were in trouble because of their evil doings?
- 3. Was God willing to listen to Abraham?

REAL TIME: Interceding for others makes a difference. God takes it seriously because His children are asking Him to help someone who does not have a relationship with Him. God wants all people to receive Jesus as Savior. He wants to help everyone. But He needs us to ask. He wants us to care enough for others that we will take our time and energy to pray for them. He is willing to listen to us, as His children, the same way He listened to Abraham.

Read Romans 8:26. This verse shows us that we don't have to be concerned about not knowing what to pray. Holy Spirit will give us the right words to say. So, there is no reason for us to not intercede, or stand in the gap, for others. Let's pray now.

<u>PRAYER TIME:</u> "Father God, we thank you that we have been called by You to pray for others. We want you to know we are willing to intercede for people just like Abraham did. Please show us who to pray for, how to pray and when to pray. Thank You that Holy Spirit helps us pray. We ask these things in Jesus' Name, amen."

"...the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words."

Romans 8:26 (NASB)