

SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

FLIP THE SCRIPT

WEEK 1

Bottom Line: God shows up in unexpected ways.

Scripture: // // Joshua 2:8–9, 11

Before the spies lay down for the night, she went up on the roof and said to them, "I know that the Lord has given you this land and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you... for the Lord your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below.

SERIES OVERVIEW:

Everyone, including middle schoolers, tries to figure out how to respond to the challenges they face in life. This four-week series will help students see how men and women from Scripture handled life's challenges with God on their side.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

1. What movie are you hoping to see soon?
2. Can you think of a story—maybe through a tv show or movie—where the “hero” showed up in a way no one expected? What did that teach you?
3. When it comes to difficult real life circumstances, who do we expect to show up for us?

WHAT GOD SAYS

1. Have a student read Joshua 2:8–9 and 11. What does Rahab say she has heard about God?
2. What do her words show us about what she believes about God?
3. Why do you think Rahab's response is surprising given who she was and where she lived?
4. What's the difference between knowing about God and actually trusting God?

WHAT WE CAN DO

1. God often shows up in unexpected ways and uses unexpected people to do amazing things. Have you ever faced something difficult and hoped for God's help?
2. What are some ways you've seen God show up through the people around you?
3. What are some ways God can use you to show up in someone else's life?

COMING UP...

Grace Leaders Gathering: September 11th

Squad Wars: October 2-3 (registration opens TODAY at 6pm)

No Amp'd: October 4th

Mega Awesome Costume Party: October 25th

Holly Jolly Gobble Squabble: November 29th

