

Faith Lessons 1
Standing at the Crossroads

Reading:

Gen. 19:1, Gen. 28:10-22, Deut. 21:18-21 and Joshua 4:1-9.

Questions:

1. Why did God choose Israel as the land where the plan of salvation would unfold?
How is God's intent for believers today similar to God's choice of the land of Israel?
2. In what ways does God want His people to influence the world?
3. The "standing stones" that the Israelites erected are testimonies to God's actions in their lives. What specific events did the children of Israel mark with standing stones?
4. How is your life like a standing stone? How does it tell others what God has done for you? Who has been a standing stone for you? How?
5. The city gate was important in biblical times because it protected a city against invasion. It was also the place where the judges and rulers of the city sat. Give some biblical examples of judges who sat in the gate.
6. How might a Christian "sit in the gate" in our culture?