I have been wanting to do a Christ centered **"12 Days of Christmas"** activity with my family and with my Young Women.  What a perfect time to draw our hearts and minds to the Savior!

Because today is the 13th I knew I had to get on the ball!  I found a lesson called "Drawing Near Unto Christ" (YW Manual 2 Lesson 1)  I used that for the basis of this activity.  I have also added a few things.
The attached PDF (and Word doc) has a page for each 12 days prior to Christmas.  You can start on the 13th of December and finish on Christmas Eve or you can start on the 14th and finish Christmas Day.

The first page explains the activity:

12 Days Closer to Christ
*It’s 12 days until Christmas! Each day until then you will receive an envelope from us with a new thought, scripture, challenge & small treat.  Once you have completed the challenge you can eat the treat!*

Day 1
We know things *about* Christ, but do we actually *KNOW* him?
John 17:3 “And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.”

For the next 12 days we will focus on qualities of the Savior and experiences He had so that we can truly *know* him better.

Jesus Christ loves each of us. He gave his life for us, atoned for our sins, and desires that we each **Come unto Him**.

D&C 88:63: “Draw near unto me and I will draw near unto you; seek me diligently and ye shall find me; ask, and ye shall receive; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.”

Challenge:
We hope for the next 12 days, together, we can Seek and Find, Ask and Receive, Knock and have answers opened unto us.  Your challenge is to take part in this activity by reading the scriptures and doing your best to complete the challenges.

As your YW leaders we want you to know how much we love you.  We also know how much the Savior and Heavenly Father love you.

Merry Christmas!
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This activity could work for your family, youth, visiting teaching sisters, neighbors etc.  I have attached the file in both PDF and Word.  I attached the Word document so you could make any necessary changes based on who you decided to use the activity for.

I kept it SUPER SIMPLE!  All we need at this time of year is more stress right?!? :)  The treats should just be something small...a snack size chocolate bar, a laffy taffy, etc.  Just a little reward for completing the challenge.  I plan on printing out a page for each girl, signing it, putting the letter and a small candy inside an envelope and dropping it off at their homes each day.  It will take some time, but I think it will be SO worth it!

If the girls complete this activity I believe they will realize that the Atonement means so much!  They can find forgiveness, comfort, understanding, joy and so much more in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Merry Christmas!  I hope you have a wonderful holiday.