City SG—July 17th-19th, 2021

1. 20 Questions

What You Need: No Supplies Needed

What You Do:

- Play "20 Questions."
- Think of an item that protects, but don't share it with the kids. Some suggestions are:
 - o Raincoat
 - Jacket
 - o Oven mitt
 - Umbrella
 - Boots
 - Eye goggles
 - o Facemask
- Explain that the kids can take turns asking yes or no questions to guess the item, up to 20 total questions.
- Invite kids to take turns asking the questions.

2. Opening Activity

What You Need: Pool noodles (1 per group), painter's tape

What You Do:

- Tape two lines on the floor, three feet apart and long enough to accommodate your kids lined up single file.
- Number the kids off by giving them a 1 or a 2, then have them stand behind the tape line you assign them.
- Instruct the first kids in each line to place their dominant foot on their tape line and their non-dominant foot behind the tape line.
- Give the kids a pool noodle.
- Ask each kid to hold one end so the noodle is held between the two tape lines.
- Direct the kids to push or pull the noodle to see who can cause their opponent to move one of their feet.
- The winner is the kid who manages to stand strong and not move.
- If time allows, play multiple rounds by having the winners from each round face off against each other.

What You Say:

"Wow! It took a lot of effort to stand still and not move when your opponent pushed and pulled on the pool noodle, didn't it?"

3. Complete It!

What You Need: "Memory Verse Cards" Activity Page (1 set per Group), numbered card stock papers (2-12), 2 foam dice (per group)

What You Do:

- Place the 11 papers in a large circle facing inward and have kids stand inside the circle.
 - o (If you have fewer than 11 kids, the game will still work fine.)
- Make sure the numbers are visible to the kids.
- Place a "Memory Verse Card" under each paper in random order.
- Instruct the kids to walk in a circle around the papers when you start the music on your phone (or just simply say GO!).

- Direct the kids to stay inside the circle.
- After a few minutes, stop the music (or simply say STOP!) and instruct the kids to each pick a paper.
- Close your eyes and roll the dice.
- Ask the kids to look for the number assigned to their paper.
- If it matches the number you rolled, direct them to look under their paper to see if there is a "Memory Verse Card". If there is, instruct them to place it on the floor in the center of the circle.
- Start again and continue playing until all of the verse cards are found.
- Instruct the kids to put the cards in the correct order.
- Read the verse together.

What You Say:

"Great job getting in the mix! Just like you assembled the verse, God will complete the good work He has begun in you. What kind of 'good work' do you think Paul was talking about in this verse? (making us more like Jesus, helping us read and remember God's Word, growing our relationship with Him) As He continues to do His good work in you, it's important to [Bottom Line] use what God has given you to stand strong, every day. When you put on your armor of God, you can be confident that you're never alone. God is always with you, doing His good work and helping you face anything you go through."

4. Pray and Dismiss

What You Need: Bibles

What You Do:

• Ask kids to hold their Sword of the Spirit (Bibles) as you close in prayer.

What You Say:

"Dear God, thank You for giving each of us armor so we can stand strong and fight against any doubt, fears, or challenges we might face. We want to **[Bottom Line]** use what God has given you to stand strong. Help us use the armor You've given us to remember what is true and defend ourselves when we're tempted to believe things that aren't true about us. Help us believe the truths that are in Your Word, the Bible! Thank You for the Bible, for Jesus, and for Your strength and power to live the way You want us to. We love You, and we ask these things in Jesus' name. Amen!"

NOTE: As children leave, make sure to encourage them to come to Summer Jam!