May 10, 2020 Games

1. Bible Story Review

What You Need: nothing

What You Do:

- Determine one side of the room to be True and the other side to be False.
- Ask the "True or False" questions listed below, one at a time.
- When you say, "Go!" everyone should quickly select their answers (all at the same time) by going to the correct side of the room.
- True/False Questions:
 - Days before Pentecost, Jesus gave the believers a huge job that seemed impossible to complete. True or False? (True)
 - Bonus: What was the "huge job"? (To tell the world about Jesus)
 - A sound came from heaven; it was like strong wind blowing and believers saw a light bulb rest on each of them. True or False? (False)
 - Bonus: The believers didn't see light bulbs. What did they see? (Fire that looked like tongues)
 - Believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to dance the jig in front of a crowd of people. True or False? (False)
 - Bonus: What did the believers begin to do when the Holy Spirit filled them? (speak in languages they didn't know)
 - With no training or studying, it seems impossible to <u>suddenly</u> start speaking a different language. How did believers get the ability to speak in different languages? (Holy Spirit)
 - After receiving the Holy Spirit, Peter spoke boldly to the crowd about Jesus. True or False? (True)
 - Bonus: What did Peter say about Jesus? (Peter told the crowd Jesus was part of God's plan to provide a way we could be with God now and forever. Jesus died for forgiveness of sins but God rose Jesus from the dead. Peter told the people Jesus is the Messiah.)
 - Jesus promised the Holy Spirit will give us whatever we want. True or False? (False)
 - Bonus: In the story, what did the Holy Spirit give Peter? (determination, boldness to speak, the words to say)
 - Clarify the Spirit will give us what we need but not necessarily what we want.
 - What is the gift you receive when you believe and trust Jesus? (Holy Spirit)
 - Because Peter showed determination and boldly told the people about Jesus, many people that day believed, because of Jesus, they could be with God now and forever. True or False? (True)
 - Bonus: How many people became followers of Jesus that day? (3,000)
- Ask: The Spirit helped Peter to speak boldly about Jesus to a huge crowd of people; the Spirit helped Peter show determination. How can the Spirit help us? (If necessary, prompt kids. For example: How can the Spirit help you have a good attitude even when your brother/sister keeps annoying you?)

2. Keep Going Situations

What You Need: "Tool Cards", tape, blindfold

What You Do:

- Use tape to attach the "Tool Cards" to the wall. Spread the cards out a bit so it's easier for blindfolded people to grab just one card.
- Instruct everyone to line up approximately 10 feet from the wall.
- Blindfold the first person and read them a "Keep Going Situation" listed below.
- Guide the person to walk toward the wall to retrieve a solution for their situation.
- Encourage the rest of the group to cheer on the blindfolded person and help them navigate which solution they should choose, by telling them to go left, right, up, or down.
- Once they have retrieved a Tool Card, they can take off the blindfold.
- Allow each person in your family to have a turn.
- Instruct everyone to hold onto their cards. Once all the situations have been paired up with tools, gather around to talk about their specific scenarios.
- Ask:
 - What would it look like to show determination in that situation?
 - o How can the solution you have help you keep going?
 - Would anyone pick a different tool for this situation?
 - o Has anybody ever been in any of these specific situations?

"Keep Going Situations" are:

- Your sports team keeps losing. It is getting so frustrating you just want to quit. What could help you finish the season with a good attitude?
- You don't understand the math homework. You want to just not do it! What could help you finish the homework? (This is an opportunity to talk about seeking help rather than giving up when you don't understand something.)
- Cleaning your room is so boring. You don't care if it is messy, but your dad does.
 What can help you finish jobs that are boring?
- Two of your friends are mad at each other, and you are caught in the middle.
 What helps you to be kind to both of them?
- Encourage kids to share a time when they have actually used one of the tools listed to keep going.
- Ask: How does it feel to know that God is always with you?

What You Sav:

"Great job helping each other come up with great tools for those situations! Whenever a real-life Keep Going Situation happens to me, I have to remind myself that **God gives you what you need to keep going** just like we had what we needed right there on the wall! Sometimes we forget that the people and stuff we have around us were all given to us by God! He provides the help we need and through His Holy Spirit, He gives us the strength we need to keep going. When I'm facing something hard, what helps me is to pause, think about what God has given me already, and ask Him for help to conquer the situation!"

3. Close in Prayer

