

GROUP ACTIVITY

This activity can be used in a small group at church or even with your kids at home!

Foot Vollyball

Set up: For each small group place two chairs about 8 feet (2.5 meters) apart. Using string or a piece of yarn, create a taut line that runs from one chair to the other. Tie the string to each chair so that it runs about a foot off of the ground. Print one set of "Big Bible Story Character Cards" on 8½ x 11 cardstock and cut apart for each small group. Each group will also need 12 clothespins and an inflated balloon.

Say: There are a lot of different stories in the Bible, but when you put them all together in the right order, they tell one BIG story about God's love for the world. We're going to play a game right now that will help us tell the "Big Bible Story" in our own words.

Directions: Divide your small group into 2 teams. Put one team on either side of the "net" (i.e. the string running from chair to chair.) Begin by tossing the balloon to one of the teams. Using only their feet, each team will have to kick the balloon over the net to the opposing team's side. If the balloon hits the ground or the team fails to return the balloon, award the other team with one of the 12 "Big Bible Story" character cards. Continue playing until all 12 character cards have been awarded. Determine which team has the most cards and declare a winner. Next, have both teams sit on the same side of the net. Using clothes pins, challenge the kids to attach the character cards to the string in the correct order. (Order: Creation, Adam and Eve, Abraham, Moses, Joshua, King Solomon, Prophets, Nehemiah, Baby Jesus, Jesus on Cross, Barnabas, Paul.) Afterwards, ask your group to tell the Big Bible Story in their own words using the cards.