## **Bible Verse Game**

intake or Response Activity to learn Bible verse

# **Lily Pad Jump**

#### **Materials**

Bible Verse sign from the curriculum Deep Down Discussion Questions (optional) Cube-shaped cardboard box, paper, glue, marker

#### **Preparation**

Make a die out of the cardboard box as follows:

- 1. Cut the paper into the size of one side of the cube.
- 2. Use it as a pattern to make six pieces (one for each side of the cube).
- 3. Glue each piece of paper onto each side of the cube.
- 4. Write the numbers 1-6 on the each side of the cube like a die.

#### Learning the Verse

Choose the whole verse or an appropriate length portion of the verse to learn. Read the verse slowly and explain it to them. A simple explanation is included on the back of the Bible Truth sign. Practice saying the verse with the children a few times.

#### **Playing the Game**

- 1. Tell children that they will be froggies, leaping from lily pad to lily pad. Everyone will say the verse together, then you (or a very good, well-behaved listening "froggie") will roll the die and see how many leaps all the froggies will make before them stop.
- 2. Have them practice leaping. Warn them to watch out for their other froggie friends so that no one gets hurt. Practice stopping.
- 3. Have everyone get in froggie position. Roll die and tell them how many leaps they will leap. Say the verse together. At your signal, everyone leaps as you (or you and they) count out the number of leaps together: "1, 2, 3, stop!" etc. Repeat. If desired, you can also ask them a question about the verse after every turn or every few turns. See the Deep Down Discussion Sheet for possible questions.

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# Loud and Soft, Big and Little

#### **Materials**

Bible Verse sign from the curriculum Deep Down Discussion Questions (optional)

### **Preparation**

None.

#### **Learning the Verse**

Choose the whole verse or an appropriate length portion of the verse to learn. Read the verse slowly and explain it to them. A simple explanation is included on the back of the Bible Truth sign. Practice saying the verse with the children a few times.

### **Playing the Game**

- 1. Tell the children: "Let's practice our Bible verse with a game."
- 2. "First let's say our verse together," (say it a couple times).
- 3. "Now let's see how quietly we can whisper it! Can you say it quietly like I am?" Have everyone follow your voice as it gets quiet, then loud, then medium, etc. Quiet them, then repeat. If desired, you can also ask them a question about the verse after they repeat the verse a few times. See the Deep Down Discussion Sheet for possible questions.

**NOTE:** You may find it easier for the children to follow getting louder and softer by lowering your hands when you are getting quieter and then raising your hands when you are getting louder.

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# Freeze 'n' Say

#### **Materials**

Bible Verse sign from the curriculum Deep Down Discussion Questions (optional) Music and CD/Tape player

### **Preparation**

None.

## **Learning the Verse**

Choose the whole verse or an appropriate length portion of the verse to learn. Read the verse slowly and explain it to them. A simple explanation is included on the back of the Bible Truth sign. Practice saying the verse with the children a few times.

### **Playing the Game**

- 1. Play some of the music for the children. Tell them that they will move around the room as you tell them (marching, leaping, clapping, etc.) while they hear the music. They will stop and freeze in whatever position they are in when the music stops. Practice this with them.
- 2. When they have the concept down, add saying the verse when the music stops and they are in their frozen position.
- 3. After they say the verse, then tell them how you want them to move when the music starts again. You can take their suggestions for movement ideas, too.
- 4. Start the music up again and continue. Repeat as frequently as desired. If desired, you can also ask them a question about the verse after every turn or every few turns. See the Deep Down Discussion Sheet for possible questions.