



Family Time

Main Idea:

Whose Kingdom Is It?



Key Verse: Matthew 6:9-11

⁹ Therefore, you should pray like this:

Our Father in heaven, your name be honored as holy.

¹⁰ Your kingdom come.

Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread.



Set it Up:

Why does a basketball or soccer coach have to watch the game? Why can't the coach hang out at the snack bar? (Because the coach has to watch the game and tell the players what to do to play better.) God is like a coach – to live the right way we need to listen to Him.



Activity:

Get some individually wrapped candies (like Hershey's Kisses), an ice cream scoop, a large plastic bowl, and a blindfold. Sit in a circle on the floor. Randomly spread ten of the kisses on the floor. Select one person and blindfold them.



Say, "You will have 30 seconds to collect the candy, but you must do it blindfolded and with one arm behind your back. You can only pick them up with the scoop. You get to keep the ones that get into the bowl. No one can help the blindfolded person. And go."

After the 30 seconds is over, try it again. This time someone can give directions to the blindfolded person to find the candy. Repeat this as many times as you would like and see who can get the most candies in the 30 seconds.



Discussion:

Say: We advance God's kingdom by letting Him rule all areas of our lives. We don't always know how to do this at first. We grow by turning over each area for His will to be done in it.



Ask:

What was the difference between doing the game with and without a guide?

Was it more fun with a guide?

God is our guide and we need to listen to Him. Even though it may not be exactly what we want to hear, He sees things we don't see. Give me an example of where this has happened in your life.

Prayer Time:

Ask God to help you trust Him and let Him be in charge of your life, especially when you want to be the boss.