

Game: **Band-Aid Tag**

Discussion: **Sins hurts**

Scripture : **Galatians 6:7-8**

YOU WILL NEED: *One Band-Aid for each student for each time you plan to play the game.*

Band-Aid Tag

Put a Band-Aid on each student's back. When you say "Go" they will try to pull off everyone else's Band-Aid without theirs being pulled. Once their Band-Aid is pulled, they *can* continue to play. The last person with a Band-Aid on their back is the winner. *Rules:* They cannot grab people or shirts. Set a two minute time limit and have fun with them. *(If you have a small group, you may want to play this twice or to create variety, have them play it while hopping on one leg.)*

When the game is over: (1) throw away all the Band-Aids and (2) sit down in a circle

CONTROL TOOL

SAY: Every time I say, "Is Jesus perfect," I want you to say, "Absolutely!"

Leader: Is Jesus perfect?—*Students:* Absolutely!

SAY: A person gets a Band-Aid when they get hurt.

Ask the students: **Can anyone guess what hurts people the most?** (Sin.)

SAY: Sin will always bring hurt. Listen to what the Bible says:

Read from your Bible: Galatians 6:7-8

SAY: "Sowing" means planting and "reaping" means growing or getting what you've planted. Let's read this verse that way. (Read it substituting "planting" for "sowing" and "growing" for "reaping.")

Ask the students: **If you plant an apple seed, what will grow?** (An apple tree.)

Ask the students: **If you plant a watermelon seed, what will grow?** (A watermelon.)

SAY: What you plant is what will grow. What you plant in your life is what will grow in your life. "Don't be deceived," the Bible says—Don't be tricked: If you plant sin and the things of this world in your life, then that is what will grow in your life—the things of this world that will bring sin and hurt and destruction. But if you plant the things of God in your life, the good things of God will grow in your life.

Ask the students: **What is sin?** (Anything we do that's wrong)

Leader: Is Jesus perfect?—*Students:* Absolutely!

CHALLENGE: Agree or Disagree:

- *Sin will always hurt you*—If you agree, stand up. If you disagree, stay sitting down. Correct Answer: **Agree**
- *None of us are perfect*— If you agree, go to the wall on my left. If you disagree, go to the wall on my right. Correct Answer: **Agree**
- *You should always eat mayonnaise on bologna and cheese sandwiches*— If you agree, go to the wall on my right. If you disagree, go to the wall on my left. Correct Answer: **I don't know.**
- *Jesus made a way to take your sins away*— If you agree, go to the wall on my left. If you disagree, go to the wall on my right. Correct Answer: **Agree**
- *You should always pick your nose at school*—If you agree, sit down. If you disagree, raise your hands in the air. Correct Answer: **Ask your mama!**
- *The way to avoid the hurt of sin is to do what God wants you to do*— If you agree, go to the wall on my right. If you disagree, go to the wall on my left. Correct Answer: **Agree**
- *Everyone should like pickle juice*—If you agree, go to the wall on my left. If you disagree, go to the wall on my right. Correct Answer: **Who cares?**
- *If you plant an apple seed, a pear tree will grow*—If you agree, go to the wall on my left. If you disagree, go to the wall on my right. Correct Answer: **Disagree**
- *If you plant sin in your life, bad things will grow*—If you agree, go to the wall on my left. If you disagree, go to the wall on my right. Correct Answer: **Agree**
- *The best choice you can make is to give your life to Jesus*— If you agree, give someone a high-five. If you disagree, sit on your hands. Correct Answer: **Agree**

Play the game again and ask the kids questions such as the following:

- *Who remembers what the point behind this game is?*
- *Who remembers what today's Bible verse is about?*
- *What else could you learn from this game?*
- *How does this game/lesson fit into other things you've been learning at church?*
- *What is God doing in your life?*
- *What can you do this week to...(i.e., follow Jesus, show God's love, tell others about Jesus, grow closer to Jesus, etc.)*

Extra Time

If you have extra time, try other variations to the game—i.e., hopping on one foot, locking elbows with a partner, etc.